

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

### Offertory Anthem

“Be Not Afraid”

Craig Courtney

*based on Isaiah 43:1-4*

*Be not afraid: for I have redeemed you; Be not afraid: I have called you by name.*

*When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;*

*when you pass through the floods, they will not sweep o'er you;*

*when you walk through the fire, you will not be consumed; you are mine, you are precious in my sight.*

*My love for you is everlasting, my love for you shall have no end.*

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*When you pass through the floods, they will not sweep o'er you;*

*When you walk through the fire, you will not be consumed. You are mine, you are precious in my sight.*

### \*Offertory Response (Hymn No. 592)

**Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### \*HYMN No. 492, vs.1,2

**Baptized in Water**

### \*CHARGE AND BLESSING

### \*POSTLUDE

“Wie schön leuchtet”

Mark Sedio

*(O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright!)*

*\*Please stand if you are able where indicated by the asterisk.*

#### Staff

Pastor:	Preston Shealy	Office Managers:	Carol Fry
Music Coordinator:	Mary Ann Stephens		Linda Johnson
Choir Director:	Brady Brennan	Building Manager:	Mark Key
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## Boulevard Presbyterian Church

*Worship On The Lord's Day*

*January 8, 2017 11:15 A.M.*

*Baptism of the Lord*



*Today's congregation continues strong traditions of:*

- *Living faith through worship, mission, education and fellowship with the vision of “Reaching Out to Make Disciples.”*
- *Following the path laid out by God through his son, Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit;*
- *Sharing the inclusive love of God to all of God's children and God's creation;*
- *Exposing the light of Christ to the world through music, words, prayer and actions.*

### THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

*Please sign the friendship pad and pass it to those near you.*

### PRELUDE

“Berglund” (*O Blessed Spring*)

Setting, Robert Buckley Farlee

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INTROIT

“Every Valley”

John Ness Beck

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the beginning, at creation, the Spirit hovered over the waters of the deep.

**People: In the waters of the flood, God cleansed the earth and humankind.**

Leader: God caused the waters to part so that Israel could cross from slavery to liberation.

**People: God formed Jesus in the waters of Mary's womb.**

Leader: Jesus taught us how to live by washing his disciples' feet in water.

**People: Drinking water from a well, Jesus met a Samaritan woman, the first person to recognize that he was the Christ.**

Leader: Today we celebrate the baptism of Jesus, the Christ.

**People: Jesus is the first born in a large family! Praise be to God!**

**ALL: Let us worship God!**

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**\*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 494**

**Out of Deep, Unordered Water**

**\*OFFERING OUR BROKENNESS TO GOD**

God, you show no partiality or favoritism, yet we are not as tolerant, open, and accepting in our lives. Forgive our prejudices and short-comings, and help us follow your Spirit so that our lives may show forth your grace and love each day. Amen.

**Silent Confession**

Response (Hymn No. 572) **Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us**  
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

**\*RECEIVE GOD’S HEALING**

**\*SHARE GOD’S PEACE**

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
People: **And also with you.** *Please share the peace of Christ with those around you.*

**\*SING GLORY TO GOD (Hymn No. 577) **Glory Be to the Father****

**Glory be the Father, and to Son, and the Holy Ghost;**  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD\**

**WORD FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

*Children 4 years of age through 3rd grade are invited to attend Wee Worship, a children’s worship-education program. Children go to Room 113 (downstairs) after the Children’s Message, and should be picked up there directly after worship. Children 3 years of age and younger are invited to the Nursery in Room 208 (off the Lounge). All children 10 years and older should return to their seats in the Sanctuary.*

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM **Enoch Jonathan Osborne****

Response (Hymn No. 492, v.3) **Baptized in Water**  
**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ, our King;**  
**Born of the Spirit, we are God’s children, joyfully now God’s praises we sing.**

**SCRIPTURE READING (Pew Bible p. 895) **Acts 10:34-43****

**PSALM 29**



“Glo - ry to God! Glo-ry to God!” Sing for - ev - er “Glo - ry to God!”

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**SCRIPTURE READING (Pew Bible p. 784) **Matthew 3:13-17****

**SERMON **Who Needs the Church?** **Preston Shealy****

**RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

**\*HYMN No. 124 (Tune: *O Waly, Waly*, No. 94) **Spirit of God, Unleashed on Earth**  
**Spirit of God, unleashed on earth with rush of wind and roar of flame!**  
**With tongues of fire saints spread good news; Earth, kindling, blazed its loud acclaim.****

**You came in power, the church was born; O Holy Spirit, come again!**  
**From living waters raise new saints, let new tongues hail the risen Lord.**

**With burning words of victory won inspire our hearts grown cold with fear,**  
**Revive in us baptismal grace, and fan our smold’ring lives to flame.**

**\*PROFESSING OUR FAITH **Apostles’ Creed (Traditional)****

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,**  
**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**BAPTISMAL REMEMBRANCE **Down to the River to Pray****

*Congregation please join on the refrain*

As I went down to the river to pray, studying about that good old way,  
And who shall wear that starry crown, good Lord, show me the way.

**Refrain:**  
**O children, let’s go down; let’s go down, come on down;**  
**O children, let’s go down; down to the river to pray,**  
**O down to the river to pray. (Repeat)**

**SHARING OUR HEARTS WITH GOD **Following each petition, God’s people respond:****

Leader: Loving God,  
People: **Hear our prayer.**

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Prayers for Healing and Strength

Carolyn Williams, upcoming knee replacement  
Marty Grimm, recuperating at home  
Bruce “Smitty” Smith, recovering from surgery  
Suzanne Trombley, recovering at home  
(sister-in-law of Carol Fry)

Leni Leypoldt  
David Hall, cancer (friend of Preston Shealy)  
Gary, (relative of Becky Metzler)  
Mark Key, sciatica and arthritis  
John, recovering from surgery  
(Charmaine Hamilton’s brother-in-law)  
Gay Hadley’s daughter

Tim McLane, recovering from falls  
(Mikie Bowles’ brother)  
Corey Sander, receiving chemotherapy  
(Pat Nicholson’s granddaughter’s husband)  
Eda Mikolaj, at home (Heather Mikolaj’s mother)

Kate Whitmore, cancer  
(Marty Grimm’s daughter)  
Lois Braun, cancer (Mike McKinney’s sister)  
Jerry Braun, cancer  
(Mike McKinney’s brother-in-law)

Cody Derby, (friend of the McFadden family)  
Julie Wall, at home (Kyme Rennick’s mother)  
Julie DuSablón, recuperating at home  
Mark Nelson, for healing, comfort, and peace

Prayers for Our Special Care List

Martha Agler, at home  
Mary Harris, at home  
Becky Metzler, at home  
Brita Knapp, for continued remission  
Norman Knapp, healing and strength  
Barbara Frautschi, for continued remission  
Peggy Pasko, Franklin Woods Nursing Center

*Please call the Church Office to include someone on this Prayer List.*

*If you would like to receive a visit from the pastor, please call the church office at 614-486-0267 to schedule your visit.*

*If you have particular concerns that you wish to share, please speak to any of the elders serving on Session. They can be identified by their distinctive nametags which say “Elder”.*

CALENDAR

Today

*Baptism of the Lord*  
9:00 am Worship: Chapel  
Session will receive new members following the service  
10:00 am Classes for all ages  
Boulevard in Mission with Debbie Shealy: 111  
11:15 am Worship: Sanctuary  
5:30 pm Youth Activity: Meet at Ten Pin Alley for Bowling

Monday, January 9

7:00 pm Worship and Music Team: 300  
Christian Education Team: 111  
7:00 pm Boy Scouts: Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 10

11:45 am Staff Meeting: 300

Wednesday, January 11

9:30 am Quilters: 111  
7:00 pm Webelo 1: 111  
7:00 pm Wolf Den: 111

Thursday, January 12

9:45 am Naomi Circle: Lounge  
10:30 am PW Bible Study: Chapel  
6:00 pm Music Team: Chapel  
6:30 pm Bell Choir: Balcony  
7:30 pm Chancel Choir: Sanctuary

Sunday, January 15

9:00 am Worship: Chapel  
10:00 am Classes for all ages  
Property Team  
Discipleship Team  
11:15 am Worship: Sanctuary  
4:30 pm YWCA Dinner Hosting

**STEWARDSHIP IS . . .** Committing to live as a steward of all of God’s creation!

We Rejoice and Give Thanks

Sunday, January 1, 2016

General Sunday Offering: \$1,192.00  
God’s People Gathered: 59

*We rejoice this morning as Enoch Osborne is united with this community through the Sacrament of Baptism at the 11:15 AM service. Enoch’s parents are Stefanie and Lance Osborne, and his big brothers and sister are Everest, Emina, and Elias. Kathie Bailey is the Session representative today.*

*Worship Leader: Kevin Hicks*

*Greeters: Sue Harvey and Abbi Menke*

*Wee Worship Teacher: Sandy Ferguson*

*Elder of the Month: Becky Elliott*

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*Flowers today are given to the glory of God by the Property Ministry Team in memory of Al Stockum.*

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**Large print bulletins, hymnals, and Bibles are available from the ushers.**

**The sound system has hearing assists for those with hearing difficulties and may be used anywhere in the Sanctuary. Please see an usher for help.**

**Nursery for Children 3 Years and Younger ~ Room 208 (off the Lounge)  
Wee Worship ~ Room 113 (downstairs)**

**The Lord’s Supper is celebrated the first Sunday of every month at the 11:15 AM service and weekly at the 9:00 AM service.**

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Sunday School Classes - 10:00 AM

Nursery Care	208
3 years and younger	
Preschool ~ Ages 3-5	201/202
Grades K-3 <sup>rd</sup>	113
Grades 4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup>	308
Grades 7 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	107
Adults	111

*Seasons of the Spirit*

**Join us in Room 111 TODAY at 10:00 AM for a presentation  
by Debbie Shealy about the October 2016 Mission Trip.**



### **Adult Sunday Morning Class . . .**

#### **SEASONS OF THE SPIRIT ~ An Informal Scripture Discussion**

Grab a cup of coffee and join us in **room 111 (downstairs)** for an informal look at and lively discussion of scriptures used in the worship service that morning.

January 15 – Big Call

January 22 – A Call to Follow

January 29 – Re-Imagined Realm



#### **Session Will Receive New Members ~ TODAY after the 9:00 AM Service**

The Session of Boulevard Presbyterian Church will meet this morning after the 9:00 AM worship service to receive new members! If you would like to know more about becoming a member of Boulevard, please speak to Pastor Preston Shealy on Sunday morning or contact him during the week (614-486-0267 or [BoulevardPastor@aol.com](mailto:BoulevardPastor@aol.com)).

#### **Presbyterian Women ~ Scrubbies for Sale Today**

Are your scrubbies starting to look a little worn? Would you like to replace them? Have friends asked where you got them? Valentine's Day is coming soon. A red scrubbie would be a lovely addition to your gifts for your loved ones - men, women, and children! Presbyterian Women will be in the lounge selling scrubbies today following the 11:15 AM worship service.

#### **Youth Activities**

**TODAY, January 8<sup>th</sup>** ~ 5:30 PM Bowling @ Ten Pin Alley – Bring money for shoes/bowling

January 20-22 - Presbytery Winter Retreat @ Camp Akita - Cost \$80

Reserve your spot by TODAY, Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>!

For more information or to reserve your spot, call the church office (614-486-0267).

#### **YWCA Family Center Dinner Hosting ~ Next Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**

We will be preparing and serving dinner at the YWCA Family Center next Sunday. There are many ways to help! You may help by providing food, preparing food, or helping to serve at the Family Center. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the Lounge. Please plan to join us and let us know how you will be able to help! **Next Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, we will meet at the church at 4:30 PM to carpool to the Center.**

#### **2017 Offering Envelopes**

The offering envelopes for 2017 are on the table in the lounge and the boxes are arranged alphabetically. Please stop by the table to pick up your boxed set of envelopes. Thank you!

#### **2017 Flower Calendar**

Our Flower Calendar is posted and ready to accept donor names. If you would like to donate flowers for our Sunday worship services, please pick up one of the yellow envelopes labeled "Offering for Flowers." The envelopes are in the church lounge and office. Simply complete the envelope, enclose your check or cash, and either drop it in the offering plate on Sunday or mail it to the church office. The cost of an arrangement is \$30.00. The arrangements may be picked up following the 11:15 AM service.

#### **Amazon Purchases Also Benefit Boulevard Presbyterian Church**

How many of us shop online at Amazon? Well, if you are an Amazon shopper you now have an easy way to also support Boulevard when making purchases through Amazon. Boulevard is now registered with Amazon as a charitable organization. That means Boulevard will receive a 0.5% charitable donation based on the price of all eligible purchases made **through Boulevard's link** to Amazon.Smile.

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