

May our hearts to Thee incline, looking from our cross to Thine;  
cheer our souls with hope divine: Hear us, Holy Jesus.

When we seem in vain to pray, and our hope seems far away,  
In the darkness be our stay: Hear us, Holy Jesus.

May we thirst Thy love to know, Lead us in our sin and woe,  
where the healing waters flow: Hear us, Holy Jesus.

Brighten all our heav'n-ward way with an ever holier ray,  
till we pass to perfect day: Hear us, Holy Jesus.

May thy life and death supply grace to live and grace to die,  
grace to reach our home on high: Hear us, Holy Jesus.

**\*Offertory Response (Hymn No. 101)                      When I Survey the Wondrous Cross**  
**Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;**  
**Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*HYMN No. 280**

**Amazing Grace**

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE**

“Shepherd Me, O God”

Charles Callahan

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***Flowers today are given to the glory of God  
and in memory of Doyle Stoner by George and Susan Ells.***

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

<b>Staff</b>			
Pastor:	Preston Shealy	Office Manager:	Carol Fry
Music Coordinator:	Mary Ann Stephens	Building Manager:	Mark Key
Choir Director:	Brady Brennan	Preschool Admin:	Mikie Bowles
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**Boulevard Presbyterian Church**

**Worship On The Lord's Day**

**March 26, 2017 11:15 A.M.**

**4th Sunday in Lent**



*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**

“Thro’ Many Dangers, Toils and Snares”

Gilbert M. Martin

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**INTROIT**

“Living Water” (excerpt)

Emily Crocker

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: God does not see as mortals see.

**People: We look upon the outward appearance, while God looks upon the heart.**

Leader: Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see!

**People: Once we lived in darkness,**

Leader: but now – as children of light – we are called to do what is good  
and right and true.

**People: Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see!**

**ALL: Let us worship God!**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 313**

**Come Down, O Love Divine**

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## **\*OFFERING OUR BROKENNESS TO GOD**

Gracious God, we are people who love darkness more than light. We seek to hide our shameful deeds while flaunting our occasional acts of virtue. We see ourselves as blameless, but are quick to pass judgment on others. We do not stand with those who are vulnerable, but prefer to step back and protect ourselves. Forgive us, we pray. Keep raising us from the deadness of sin, and shine your grace upon us. In the name of Jesus Christ, the light of the world, we pray. Amen.

### **Silent Confession**

Response (from Psalm 51)

Be Merciful, O Lord

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned; be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

## **\*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. 83) O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High**  
All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad:  
The Trinity whom we adore forever and forevermore.

## **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.*

## **SCRIPTURE READING (unison)**

Psalm 23 (KJV)

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul:

he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

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

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:  
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

## **SCRIPTURE READING (Pew Bible p. 871)**

John 9:1-41

## **SERMON**

Questions, Answers, and Consequences

Preston Shealy

## **RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*HYMN No. 387**

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

**\*PROFESSING OUR FAITH**

*(from The Heidelberg Catechism)*

What do you believe when you say, "I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth"?

That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ the Son.

I trust God so much that I do not doubt God will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and will turn to my good whatever adversity God sends upon me in this sad world.

## **SHARING OUR HEARTS WITH GOD**

*Following each petition, God's people respond:*

Leader: Loving God,

People: Hear our prayer.

## **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

"A Lenten Meditation"

Douglas E. Wagner

*Jesus, in Thy dying woes, even while Thy life-blood flows,  
craving pardon for Thy foes: Hear us, Holy Jesus.*

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**Prayers for Healing and Strength**

**Evelyn Hannaway**, fell and broke her pelvis  
**Fred Ferris**, for healing  
**Geno Buzzelli**, at Westminster Thurber  
**Nancy Robbins**, breast cancer  
 (Martha Agler's daughter)  
**Rick Cotter**, recovering from car accident  
 (friend of Michael and Charmaine Hamilton)  
**Michael Frase**, no longer in remission  
**Virginia Schlitt**, at home  
**Marty Grimm**, recuperating at home  
**Bruce "Smitty" Smith**, recuperating at home  
**Suzanne Trombley**, recuperating at home  
 (Carol Fry's sister-in-law)  
**Gary**, (relative of Becky Metzler)  
**Mark Key**, sciatica and arthritis  
**John Scheiderer**, recovering at home  
 (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)  
**Julie Wall**, at home (Kyme Rennick's mother)  
**Julie DuSablou**, 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  
**Leni Leypoldt**, 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**

**4th Sunday in Lent**  
**Food Collection Sunday**  
 9:00 am Worship: Chapel  
 10:00 am Classes for all ages  
 11:15 am Worship: Sanctuary  
 12:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry: Lounge  
 1:00 pm Finance and Personnel: 300

**Monday, March 27**

7:00 pm Session: Chapel  
 Boy Scouts: Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, March 29**

9:30 am Quilters: 111  
 5:30 pm Lenten Soup and Salad Supper -  
 Fellowship Hall  
 6:15 pm Lenten Study and Fellowship

**Thursday, March 30**

6:00 pm Music Team: Chapel  
 Open Shelter Lunch Packing  
 6:30 pm Bell Choir: Balcony  
 7:30 pm Chancel Choir: Sanctuary

**Sunday, April 2**

**5h Sunday in Lent**  
**Cents-Ability Sunday**  
 9:00 am Worship: Chapel  
 10:00 am Classes for all ages  
 11:15 am Worship: Sanctuary  
 5:30 pm Youth at Covenant Presbyterian  
 Church

**STEWARDSHIP IS . . .** Inviting a friend to church!

**We Rejoice and Give Thanks**

**Sunday, March 19, 2017**  
 General Sunday Offering: \$6,943.28  
 God's People Gathered: 108

**Worship Leader: Debbie Shealy**  
**Greeters: Ellen Hogue and Linda Mahoney**  
**Wee Worship Teacher: Martha Hills**  
**Elder of the Month: Steve Hills**



**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.**



**Sunday School Classes at 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

*He Chose the Nails*

**Adult Study for Lent** ~ Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM - Room 111  
 Come join the 5-week video series, *He Chose the Nails*, as Max Lucado focuses on the "gifts" of the cross, including the soldiers' spit, the crown of thorns, the nails, the wine-soaked sponge, the burial garments, and Pilate's sign identifying Jesus as the King of the Jews. Each of these tragic objects teaches Christians something about the nature of God, says Lucado. Come watch the video and join the discussion as we examine this most central event in our faith.

### **Stations of the Cross Posters**

Do you like to color? Worship and Music is planning something new for Maundy Thursday this year: The Stations of the Cross Walk with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to His Crucifixion on the cross. At each stop there will be scripture and a time of meditation. In preparation we are inviting members of the congregation to join in coloring the posters that will be used at each station. They are located in the Lounge on Sunday mornings and during the week. On Wednesday evenings for the Lenten soup suppers and study they will be in Fellowship Hall for coloring before and after dinner.

### **Wednesdays in Lent ~ through April 5 in Fellowship Hall**

**Soup and Salad Supper: 5:30-6:15 p.m.**

**Intergenerational Events: 6:15-7:00 p.m.**

Bring the whole family on Wednesdays throughout Lent for a special evening series sponsored jointly by Christian Education and Worship & Music. After a simple community supper, all ages are invited to participate in an exciting and different intergenerational event each week. Come and enjoy the fellowship of a Lenten journey together.

### **Help Needed with Lenten Soup Dinners ~ Wednesdays at 5:30 pm**

Please note the sign up sheets in the lounge. We need volunteers to provide soup for each dinner and others to provide additional items. If you have questions, please contact Kay Rieve at [kayrieve@twc.com](mailto:kayrieve@twc.com) who is coordinating the dinners with Grace Parks.

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry ~ TODAY, March 26 at 12:30 PM in the Lounge**

Knitters and crocheters of all skill levels are welcome - even those wanting to learn! As part of the group or on our own, we will create shawls to be given to Boulevard members and others in need of an expression of God's love to comfort or celebrate life's changes. Bring your current shawl project, or we have yarn and needles to get you started. Together, we'll grow through practice in skill and faith.

### **Open Shelter Lunch Packing ~ Thursday, March 30 - 6:00 PM and /or 6:30 PM**

This coming Thursday, March 30, we will be packing 200 brown bag lunches for the Open Shelter. We have sign-up times for people to arrive at 6:00 PM and 6:30 PM. If possible, please sign up on the list on the table in the Lounge, but last minute volunteers are always welcome! Ideally we would like to have 10-15 people signed up to participate. Thank you for your help!

### **Presbyterian Women ~ Thursday, April 6 at 1:00 PM**

All women are invited to the next Presbyterian Women's gather. The program will be Poland (Part 2) presented by Phyllis Miller. There will also be dedication of the Birthday Offering. The Coordinating Team will be Dessert Hostess.

### **All-Church Retreat ~ Friday, April 28 through Saturday, April 29**

Registration is now open for the ALL CHURCH RETREAT at the end of April. This year's retreat will be held in Frontier Lodge at Geneva Hills Camp and Conference Center. The topic will be "Father, Teach Us to Pray." Cindy McKay will be the retreat leader. The time will be filled with great fellowship, fun, interesting learning, and projects for all ages. Registration is limited and forms must be turned in no later than April 16, 2017. See the display in the Lounge for more information and registration forms.

### **90th Anniversary Celebration Commemorative Photo Book**

Now is your only opportunity to order a copy of this photo book! The charge will be just the cost of the book and shipping: around \$55 or less! Books must be ordered by April 16 - since the company is going out of business! A sign up sheet is in the Lounge.

### **Wee Worship Teacher Needed**

The Christian Education program is in need of another teacher to be in the rotation for Wee Worship during the 9:00 AM service. Please contact Martha Hills if you are interested at 614-261-1919 or [marthahills@mac.com](mailto:marthahills@mac.com).

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