

***Offertory Response (Hymn No. 592)** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN No. 339**

Be Thou My Vision

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**

“When Morning Lights the Eastern Skies”
(St. Stephen) Setting, Emma Lou Diemer

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



Worship Leader: Kevin Hicks

Greeters: Ted Smith and Rob Williams

Wee Worship Teacher: Martha Hills

Elder of the Month: Becky Elliott



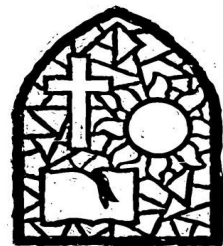
**Flowers today are given to the Glory of God
and in honor of Ella Louise Connor's birthday.**

The white rose is in celebration of the life of Virginia Smiley.

Staff

Pastor:	Preston Shealy	Office Managers:	Carol Fry
Music Coordinator:	Mary Ann Stephens		Linda Johnson
Choir Director:	Brady Brennan	Building Manager:	Mark Key
Childcare Provider:	Nancy Henning	Preschool Admin:	Mikie Bowles

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Boulevard Presbyterian Church

Worship On The Lord's Day

January 29, 2017 11:15 A.M.

4th Sunday after Epiphany



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

“Neno lake Mungu”
(Listen, God Is Calling)

Anne Krentz Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

“Every Valley” (excerpt)

John Ness Beck

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

(from Micah 6)

Leader: What does the Lord require of us?

People: To do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God.

ALL: Let us worship the Lord!

***HYMN OF PRAISE No. 471**

O Praise the Gracious Power

***OFFERING OUR BROKENNESS TO GOD**

Eternal God, we have not followed the guidance of your Spirit. We do not do what we should do, and often do things that we know go against your will for us. Forgive us through your amazing grace and mercy, and then prod us until we constantly live the lives you call us to live. Amen.

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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 to the Father, and the 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.

SCRIPTURE READING (Pew Bible p. 863)

John 2:13-22

SCRIPTURE READING (Pew Bible p. 926)

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

SERMON

God’s Foolishness

Preston Shealy

RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***HYMN**

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus,

I have decided to follow Jesus, no turning back, no turning back.

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

**The world behind me, the cross before me,
the world behind me, the cross before me.**

The world behind me, the cross before me, no turning back, no turning back.

**Though none go with me, still I will follow,
though none go with me, still I will follow,**

Though none go with me, still I will follow, no turning back, no turning back.

***PROFESSING OUR FAITH**

(from The Heidelberg Catechism)

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I am not my own, but belong – body and soul, in life and in death – to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

Christ has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. Christ also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

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 Anthem

“Al Shlosha D’varim”

Allan E. Naplan

text source: Pirket Avot - Jewish Morality Laws

Al shlosha d'varim haolam kayam,

Al haemet v'al hadin v'al hashalom.

Translation: The world is sustained by three things,
by truth, by justice, and by peace.

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

Prayers for Healing and Strength

Nancy Robbins, breast cancer (Martha Agler’s daughter)
Virginia Schlitt, at Westminster-Thurber
Grant Hamilton, physical therapy
Carolyn Williams, upcoming knee replacement
Marty Grimm, recuperating at home
Bruce “Smitty” Smith, recovering from surgery
Suzanne Trombley, recovering at home
 (Carol Fry’s sister-in-law)
Leni Leypoldt, at home
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)
Cody Derby, (friend of the McFadden family)
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
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

9:00 am Worship: Chapel
10:00 am Classes for all ages
11:15 am Worship: Sanctuary
12:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

Monday, January 30

7:00 pm Boy Scouts: Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 31

11:45 am Staff Meeting: 300

Wednesday, February 1

9:30 am Quilters: 111
6:45pm Cub Scout Committee: 300
7:00pm *Come to the Waters* Bible Study:
Chapel
Cub Pack: Fellowship Hall

Thursday, February 2

6:00 pm Music Team: Chapel
6:30 pm Handbell Choir: Balcony
7:30 pm Chancel Choir: Sanctuary

Sunday, February 5

Cents-Ability Sunday

9:00 am Worship: Chapel
10:00 am Classes for all ages
11:15 am Worship: Sanctuary
5:30pm Youth Program: “Chopped” @
Covenant

STEWARDSHIP IS . . .

Appreciating the beauty of winter!

We Rejoice and Give Thanks

Sunday, January 22, 2016

General Sunday Offering: \$4,269.00
God’s People Gathered: 143

We offer Christian sympathies . . .

*to Mark and Kathy Key and their family
on the death of Kathy’s father, Guy Kuhn, on Thursday, January 19th;
and to the family and friends of Virginia Smiley who passed away
on Saturday, January 21st. No funeral services are planned.*

† † † † †

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 rd	113
Grades 4 th -6 th	308
Grades 7 th -12 th	107
Adults	111

Seasons of the Spirit

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 29 – Re-Imagined Realm
February 5 – Letting the Light Through
February 12 – Heart-Felt
February 19 – Going Beyond

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!

Fight the Mid-Winter Blahs with a Special February Adult Class

“Peace Be with You: A Case for Harmony between Science and Religion”

Are science and religion really in conflict? A majority of Americans believe that scientific findings and religious teachings fundamentally clash. However, a recent Pew Research Center survey discovered something surprising: the more religious a person claims to be, the less likely they are to believe that science and religion are irreconcilable worldviews. Join us as we explore this complicated (and sometimes highly controversial) subject led by Alaina Engdahl.

February 5: A History of the Relationship between Science and Religion

February 12: The Hot Button Issues

February 19: God in Science

Souper Bowl of Caring ~ Sunday, February 5th

On Sunday, February 5th, the youth at Boulevard will help to combat hunger in our community by participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring. The youth will be standing at the doors after worship with large soup pots in their hands. We invite you to place donations in the soup pots as you leave worship that day. With your help, our youth can make a big impact on hunger in our community! 100% of the donations stay at the local level!

Last year (2016) a total of \$942.00 was collected and then donated to Neighborhood Services, Inc.

Congregational Meeting ~ Sunday, February 12th at 10:50 AM

Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, February 12th at 10:50 am. This meeting is called for the purpose of receiving the report of the Congregational Nominating Committee, electing Elders and Deacons, and conducting the annual review of the pastor's terms of call. The meeting will be held in the Sanctuary.

Pull Tabs

Since the project started in the middle of September we have contributed 5 pounds of aluminum tabs to the Ronald McDonald house. A regular sandwich bag completely full is approximately 1/2 pound. *That's great work! Let's keep it going!*

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