



Worship Leader: Allyson Engdahl

Greeters: Alex and Sean McCormick

Wee Worship Teacher: Stephanie Silver

Elder of the Month: Kay Rieve



**Nursery for Children 3 Years and Younger ~ Room 208 (across from the Chapel)
Wee Worship ~ Room 113 (downstairs)**

**The Lord's Supper is celebrated weekly at the 9:00 AM service
and the first Sunday of every month at the 11:15 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 rd	113
Grades 4 th -6 th	308
Grades 7 th -12 th	107
Adults	111
<i>The Redemption of Scrooge</i>	

Staff

Pastor:	Preston Shealy	Office Managers:	Carol Fry
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Boulevard Presbyterian Church

**Worship On The Lord's Day
November 27, 2016 9:00 A.M.
1st Sunday of Advent**



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.*

GATHERING

While We Are Waiting, Come

**While we are waiting, come. While we are waiting, come.
Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting, come. (repeat)**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Kay and Pat Rieve

***SONG**

Awake, O Israel

**Awake, O Israel, put off your slumber and the truth shall set you free;
For out of Zion comes your Deliverer, in the year of jubilee.**

Chorus:

**O hallelujah, O hallelujah, hallelujah, praise the Lord!
O hallelujah, O hallelujah, hallelujah, praise the Lord!**

**The time is coming, are you ready yet? As the prophets have foretold,
"...They'll beat their spears into pruning hooks...
Let us walk in the light of the Lord". (chorus)**

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

*OFFERING OUR BROKENNESS TO GOD

*RECEIVE GOD’S HEALING AND 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.*

Song of Praise **Gloria, Gloria**

Gloria, Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

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 (across from the Chapel). All children 10 years and older should return to their seats in the Chapel.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 2:1-5

Matthew 24:36-44

SERMON

Preston Shealy

*SONG

People, Look East

People, look east. The time is near of the crowning of the year.

Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the table.

People, look east and sing today: Love, the guest, is on the way.

Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is planted there:

Give up your strength the seed to nourish, that in course the flower may flourish.

People, look east and sing today: Love, the rose, is on the way.

Birds, though you long have ceased to build, guard the nest that must be filled.

Even the hour when wings are frozen God for fledging time has chosen.

People, look east and sing today: Love, the bird, is on the way.

Stars, keep their watch. When night is dim one more light the bowl shall brim,

Shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as sun and moon together.

People, look east and sing today: Love, the star, is on the way.

Angels, announce with shouts of mirth Christ who brings new life to earth.

Set every peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is coming.

People, look east and sing today: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

PRAYING FOR ALL GOD’S PEOPLE

Following each petition, God’s people respond:

Leader: Loving God,

People: Hear our prayer.

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

BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*Offering Response

Thank You, God, for Your Creation

Thank you, God, for your creation; Bless, O Lord, these gifts we bring.

Thank you, God, for Christ the Savior, your own precious offering.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Bless, O Lord, these gifts we bring.

*Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Communion of the People

Communion is by “intinction.” The server will give you bread to dip in the cup. Servers disinfect their hands. Please come forward by the inner aisles and return by the outer ones. Gluten free bread is available on the table, and the cup is non-alcoholic. If you cannot come forward, communion will be brought to you.

Communion Song

Emmanuel

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.

God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel. (repeat)

Prayer

*SONG

King of Kings

King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hallelujah!

King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hallelujah!

Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hallelujah!

Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hallelujah! (repeat)

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

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

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**The flowers are given anonymously to the glory of God
in celebration of the First Sunday of Advent!**

Prayers for Healing and Strength

Carolyn Williams, upcoming knee replacement
Connie Freeman, at home
Joanne Sheets, at daughter's home
Mark Nicholson
Bruce "Smitty" Smith, recuperating at home
Suzanne Trombley, recovering at home
(sister-in-law of Carol Fry)
Leni Leyboldt, at home
David Hall, cancer (friend of Preston Shealy)
Gary, (relative of Becky Metzler)
Mark Key, cancer treatment
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 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
Llora LeFevre, at home

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

1st Sunday of Advent Food Mission Sunday

9:00 am Worship: Chapel
10:00 am Classes for all ages
11:15 am Worship: Sanctuary
Monday, November 28
7:00 pm Session: Chapel
Boy Scouts: Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, November 29

11:45 am Staff: 300

Wednesday, November 30

9:30 am Quilters: 111
7:00 pm Nominating Committee: Chapel

Thursday, December 1

10:30 am Presbyterian Women's Gathering:
Lounge

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

Friday, December 2

6:30 pm First Friday Free Family Film:
The Polar Express

Sunday, December 4

2nd Sunday of Advent Cents-Ability Sunday

9:00 am Worship: Chapel
10:00 am Classes for all ages
Tree Decorating: Sanctuary
1:15 am Worship: Sanctuary
12:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry: Lounge
5:00 pm Youth Group Program

STEWARDSHIP IS . . . Thinking of ways to give of yourself at Christmas!

We Rejoice and Give Thanks

Sunday, November 20, 2016

General Sunday Offering: \$3,777.00
God's People Gathered: 147

Advent Devotional ~ available TODAY

Pick up your copy of the Advent Devotionals created by the Boulevard Family for you to enhance your spiritual practices during this holy season.

Advent Adult Study ~ Begins TODAY at 10:00 AM

The Redemption of Scrooge will show us how the teachings of Jesus can be found in Dickens' Christmas classic. From the ghosts of Christmas past, to the life of the present, and the resurrection of Christmas future, this four week Advent study will reinvigorate our spiritual journeys as we look at this familiar story through the lens of faith. Each week there will be a video followed by discussion. A new way to look at an old classic!

Food Mission Sunday ~ TODAY, November 27th

Food Mission Sunday is the fourth Sunday of each month. Our nutritional focus is food with a higher protein content. If you can, please add these items to your grocery list.

- ♦ Chunky Soup
- ♦ Peanut Butter
- ♦ Canned Pasta (i.e., Spaghettios)
- ♦ Canned Chicken
- ♦ Canned Pork and Beans

Plus - We are adding an Oral Hygiene focus as well. Please consider donating toothpaste and/or toothbrushes (adult or child sizes) along with your food donations.

Please place your donations in the large wooden cabinet in the Narthex with the "Food Mission" sign on it.

NNEMAP also accepts **HOTEL** shampoo, soap, lotion and coffee packets provided to guests. These sample products can be offered to NNEMAP clients when resources for these items are low. And, of course, those brown paper grocery bags are always welcomed. **A BIG THANKS FROM NNEMAP!**

Community Christmas Boxes - Food Collection ~ through Sunday, December 11th

In your shopping, please remember to check the list of food items requested for the Christmas Boxes and give what you can to this worthy project.

Presbyterian Women's Gathering ~ Thursday, December 1st

All women are invited to the Presbyterian Women's Gathering on Thursday, December 1st, at 10:30 AM in the Lounge. The Grandview Dulcimers will present the program. A light brunch of fruit, pastry, coffee, and tea will be prepared by the Coordinating Team.

First Friday Free Family Film ~ December 2nd at 6:30 PM

The next film will be *The Polar Express* on Friday, December 2nd at 6:30 PM. Chairs will be set up or you can bring your own comfy chair. You can also bring a sleeping bag or pillow to relax and watch a movie with your family. Children must be accompanied by an adult. The movie is **free!!** Concessions ~ popcorn, candy, drinks ~ are available for a nominal fee.

Prayer Shawl Ministry ~ Next Sunday, December 4th at 12:30 PM in the Lounge

Boulevard's Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet next Sunday 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 in faith and skill practice.

Christmas Decorating 2016 ~ Sunday, December 4th

On Sunday, December 4th, the large tree will be in place in the sanctuary for any and all adults and kids to decorate during Sunday School / between worship services that morning. Mark your calendars and plan to join in the fun!

Be sure to order your Poinsettias! - through Sunday, December 11th

The poinsettias will serve as memorials or in honor of loved ones whose names will be printed in the worship bulletins on Sunday, December 18th and will beautify our church for the Advent/Christmas season. If you would like to donate a poinsettia, we will accept orders through **Sunday, December 11th**. The poinsettias will remain on display throughout both Christmas Eve services, and may be taken home following the 8:00 PM candlelight service.

The cost of each plant will be \$9.00. Envelopes for placing your order are available on the table outside the Chapel.

Mark Your Calendars!

You are invited to participate in these rewarding Community Christmas Package activities!

Thursday, December 15th	Home Baked Cookies Delivered to Church
Friday, December 16th at 6:00 PM	Tape and Label Boxes
Saturday, December 17th at 9:30 AM	Pack and Assemble Boxes
Sunday, December 18st at 12:30 PM	Deliver Boxes

Each activity will take place in Fellowship Hall.

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. How do you access the specific link for Boulevard Presbyterian Church?

- ◆ Go to the home page for Boulevard's website;
- ◆ On the upper left side of the page is **Boulevard Presbyterian Church "Reaching out to make Disciples"** Directly below this information you will find the following link;
- ◆ **Support Boulevard Presbyterian Church Shop at smile.amazon.com**
- ◆ Click on these words and you will automatically be linked to Amazon and can begin shopping. All of you eligible purchases will be tallied and Boulevard will receive a 0.5% charitable donation.

Save Your Aluminum Pull Tabs

Boulevard Presbyterian Women is initiating a new project of collecting pull tabs from pop, vegetable, fruit, pet food or any other type pull tab cans. The tabs will be given to The Ronald McDonald House at Nationwide Children's Hospital. They in turn receive reimbursement for each pound of tabs which they use for expenses of the house. The Ronald McDonald house provides housing and other services for families who have children as patients at the Nationwide Children's Hospital. The collection container, a white "house" with a red roof, can be found in the lounge. There are also some small "houses" with blue roofs for individuals to use at home. Questions can be directed to Linda Mahoney dillmahoney@gmail.com or 614-291-5725.

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