



Boulevard Presbyterian Church

Worship On The Lord's Day

February 13, 2022 10:00 A.M.

Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

Boulevard Church's Session met and voted to abide by the established CDC guidelines for masks. The CDC has created four measures for community spread of the COVID virus: blue, yellow, orange, and red. Franklin County is currently in the red zone. The CDC has recommended that both vaccinated and unvaccinated persons be masked.

We ask for your cooperation in masking while at Boulevard. We will let you know about any additional changes in policy should Franklin County move to orange or return to yellow or blue. Thank you.

Steve Hills - Chair, COVID Committee

**please stand, if able*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*adapted Psalm 138*)

Leader: Blessed are those who trust in God,
who put their trust in the Lord.

People: **They shall be like a trees planted by the water,
sending out their roots by the stream.**

*HYMN 334

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

*Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; Join me in glad adoration!*

*Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what he ordaineth?*

*Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly for aye we adore him.*

TEXT: Joachim Neander, 1680; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt.
MUSIC: Stralsund Erneueren Gesangbuch, 1665; harm. The Chorale Book of England, 1863

*OFFERING OUR BROKENNESS TO GOD

Leader: We wander and stray, but God continues to reach out to us with mercy and love. With confidence of God's grace, let us offer our prayers of confession.

People: **Holy God, you sustain us. You want us to be deeply rooted in you, finding strength in your word and nourishment in your grace. More often, we live as dry leaves, blown here and there by the winds of circumstance. Forgive our lack of faithfulness and our failures to hold fast to our commitments.**

Grow us in faith that we might be firmly planted in your promises, release us from all that weighs us down, and open us to the life you have shown us in Jesus Christ. (time for silent prayer) Amen.

Leader: The waters of grace refresh our lives and bring forth a new creation. This is good news!

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

*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 symbolically share the peace of Christ with those around you.

*SUNG RESPONSE 447

"We Are Forgiven"

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

TEXT: Trad. Liturgical text; MUSIC: Hal H. Hopson, 1995
Music © 1995 Hal H. Hopson

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 17:5-10

SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:17-26

SERMON

"Uncomfortable Blessings"

Rev. Charlotte O'Neil

*HYMN 692

Spirit, Open My Heart"

Refrain: Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.

God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender.
All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender. (Refrain)

Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory. (Refrain)

May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of sister, brother.
In the welcome of Christ, may we welcome one another. (Refrain)

TEXT: Ruth Duck 1994; MUSIC: Irish melody; arr. Alfred V. Fedak, 2011
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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once and for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of men and women. But his complete obedience to God led him into conflict with his people. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them, he took upon himself the judgement under which everyone stands convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord.

adapted from the Confession of 1967

OFFERTORY

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

Tim Harvey—Trombone

Arr. By Lynn Petersen

*DOXOLOGY 709

"God, We Honor You"

God, we honor you. God, we trust in you. God, we worship and adore you.
Take what we bring, offered to you. Teach us to show your abundant blessings.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.

TEXT and MUSIC: James E. Clemens, 2008 Text and Music © 2008 James E. Clemens

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.

*HYMN 852

"When the Lord Redeems the Very Least"

When the Lord redeems the very least, we will rejoice.

When the hungry gather for the feast, we will rejoice.

Refrain: We will rejoice with gladness. We will rejoice.

All our days we'll sing to God in praise. We will rejoice!

When the Lord restores the sick and weak, we will rejoice.
When the earth is given to the meek, we will rejoice. (Refrain)

When the Lord revives the world from death, we will rejoice.
When the word of God fills every breath, we will rejoice. (Refrain)

When the Lord returns in victory, we will rejoice.
When we live in glorious liberty, we will rejoice. (Refrain)

TEXT: Sylvia G. Dunstan, c 1991; MUSIC: Albert E. Brumley, 1932; arr. Evelyn Simpson-Curenton, c. 2001
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*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Beloved people of God,
receive the gift of the Holy Spirit,
the grace of Jesus Christ,
and the blessing of the Lord forever.
Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

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Worship Leaders: Melissa Schmidt, Stefanie Osborne

Elder of the Month: Ian Rennick

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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 Care Available Now for Worship!

The Nursery is now available from 9:30-11:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings during the worship service. The Nursery is not currently available during the education hour. With more volunteers, we will be able to provide care in the Nursery for the second hour. To volunteer, please contact Carol Agler (614-537-5811) or Sue Harvey (614-216-5884). Thank you for caring for our most precious members.

CALENDAR

**Please call the church office at 614-486-0267
to include someone on this Prayer List.**

Prayers for Joy and Concern

Cathy Chaffin and her family on the death of her nephew Dewey, prayers for his wife JoAnn

Judy—who is receiving treatments for cancer, prayers for strength(Jody Huggins good friend)

Barb Frautschi - who is recovering from surgery at OSU hospital
Jane Perry has been discharged from the hospital and is now in rehab at Promedica in Dublin

Norma Kibbey—who has been ill, at Westminster Thurber Rehab

Jim Parks is at Dublin Grand for rehab, recovering from surgery

William—who is in the hospital with pneumonia after surgery (brother-in-law of Carolyn Schmitz)

Family of Maggie Evans – who passed away (teenage friend of the Hamilton's)

Bill Bell's sister-in-law has cancer and is receiving chemotherapy

Wendy Brown - for healing and strength from cancer

(Sandy Ferguson's cousin)

Susan—who is recovering from a concussion (Carol McFadden's sister)

Baby Victoria – is home! (Grant Hamilton's co-worker baby)

Amelia Hamilton – Friedreich's Ataxia

(Charmaine and Mike Hamilton's granddaughter)

Devon – diagnosed with breast cancer (friend of Sue and Tim Harvey)

Craig and Gail, his wife – Craig diagnosed with stage 4 cancer

(friends of Lamar and Sandy Zigler)

Joni Brehens – recovering from a brain aneurysm (friend of Pastor Charlotte)

Peggy and John Odum – Peggy is very ill with cancer and John has Parkinson's (Bonnie Grimm's cousin and husband)

Tom Neff (Sally Neff's son)

David Reynolds – diagnosed with aortic aneurism

(Pat Nicholson's great-nephew)

Jim Treadway – stage 4 colon cancer; chemotherapy

(Jim and Kathie Bailey's nephew)

Terri Randal – cancer has recurred (Bill Bell's friend)

Karla Holton – treatment for lung cancer (Charmaine Hamilton's friend)

Spencer Schalip – medical concerns (Charmaine Hamilton's brother)

Tim Parks – Parkinson's disease

(Jim Parks' son and Grace Parks' brother)

Terry McFadden – Allen Oakwood Correctional

Jerry Braun – cancer (Mike McKinney's brother-in-law)

Tim McLane – continuing health issues (Mikie Bowles' brother)

Prayers for Our Special Care List

Glenn and Sara Beaber – at home

Barb Frautschi – Westminster-Thurber

Evelyn Hannaway – Friendship Village of Dublin

Helen Hoehl – memory care, Hilton Head Island, SC

Norma Kibbey – Westminster-Thurber Assisted Living

Brita and Norman Knapp – at home

Paul McCalla – Westminster-Thurber Assisted Living

Betty Sikking – at home

Sunday, February 13

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

'Souper Bowl of Caring'

10:00am Worship: Sanctuary
In-person and live-streamed
on Facebook

11:00am Coffee Hour: Lounge

11:00am Adult Class: Chapel

11:00am Childrens Classes: 3rd Floor

Monday, February 14

6:30pm Scouts BSA: Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, February 15

7:00pm Bear Cubs: 111

7:30pm AA: Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 16

7:00pm Tiger Cubs: 111

7:30pm NA: FH

Thursday, February 17

10:00am Fire Inspection

7:00pm NA: 111

7:30pm GA: Fellowship Hall

Friday, February 18

Saturday, February 19

Sunday, February 20

10:00am Worship: Sanctuary
In-person and live-streamed
on Facebook

11:00am Coffee Hour: Lounge

11:00am Adult Class: Chapel

11:00am Childrens Classes: 3rd Floor

Attendance February 6, 2022: 38

Staff

Interim Pastor: Rev. Charlotte O'Neil
Office Manager: Carol Fry
Music Coordinator: Mary Ann Stephens
Preschool Administrator: Mikie Bowles

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Announcements

COMING THIS SUNDAY!

Join the discussion in the chapel at 11am for the month of February as we look at what it means to follow Jesus with hope. Hope is waiting in faith. It is not merely wishing for something to happen or hoping everything will work out if the stars align. Hope is waiting with anticipation for what you know and believe is coming. In Hebrew, the word for rope and hope are the same. Hope is something outside ourselves that tethers us to safety and helps us keep going, even when we can't see our way. Learn how we can hear hope, see hope, offer and receive hope, and proclaim the Hope of God's Kingdom in our lives!

The Souper Bowl of Caring TODAY!

This national effort began in 1990 and now includes churches, schools, youth groups, community partners and NFL teams. With gifts of money and food, the Souper Bowl of Caring has raised more than \$170 million in hunger relief since it began. **Imagine what we could do together if everyone who watched the Super Bowl donated \$1 or 1 can of food?** Please look for youth volunteers at the doors with soup pots to receive your donations of food and money.

Looking for a way to draw closer to God in Lent?

Come and join our prayer group on Thursdays at 5:30pm beginning March 3 in the Chapel. We will join in a time of quiet, focused prayer seeking God's vision and purpose for the future of Boulevard church. We will pray for the work and people involved as we walk through the search process. Prayer is a powerful tool and God promises that wherever two or more are gathered in His Name, there he will be. It is not necessary to attend every week—coming as you are able is highly encouraged. Contact Martha Hills at 614-364-5303 or marthahills@mac.com or if you would like more information.

Moving forward in our Pastor Search -

Boulevard's Elders, Deacons and a few committee members met with Lisa Allgood, the Executive Presbytery for Cincinnati Presbytery, on Saturday, January 8 in the lounge. Lisa took us through various exercises to create a Vision and Core Values for Boulevard. The following were chosen:

Creativity - We look for interesting and new ways to do things.

Outward Focus - We look, think, and act beyond our walls.

Grace - We preach and demonstrate the undeserved love of God.

Equipping - We train and mobilize people.

Partnerships - We work with other organizations.

Relevance - We communicate truth in ways people can hear.

Members for a Mission Study team were also nominated. Members include Alaina Engdahl, Allyson Engdahl, Charmaine Hamilton, Kyme Rennick, Cortland Schafer, and Michael Schmidt. Meetings are held weekly after Boulevard's church service.

Our team recently reached out to committee chairs for their input. We also plan to reach out to Boulevard's members. *Please contact any of the Mission Study team if you have questions or comments.*

Update for 2022 Church Directory We are in the process of updating our directory for 2022. It will be in the office during the week or on the table in the Lounge on Sundays. The directory will be on the round table in the lounge on Sundays. Please check the entry for your name in the book and mark if it is correct or make any needed corrections. If you are not able to attend church, feel free to call the church office and ask to have your information checked.



Per Capita for 2022 Per Capita has increased to \$40.00, (envelopes may show \$37.75). your interest on the friendship pads in the Sanctuary or by contacting the church office.

Westside Free Store Ministries Clothing Collection for Fall and Winter

Boulevard is now collecting fall and winter clothing for the Westside Free Store. WFSM is a faith-based organization designed to share resources, build relationships, and create community on Columbus' west side. They opened their doors in August 2004 and guests may shop for clothes and small household items as well as have a meal the three days a week they are open. The Westside Free Store takes donations for gently used clothing and shoes for women, men and children, as well as small household items. Most needed right now are men's pants, blankets, and towels. New pillows and undergarments are always appreciated. Remember to donate clean clothing with all buttons, working zippers, and no stains. You may leave your items in the blue bin in the Lounge. For more information, contact Charmaine Hamilton at charmainehamilton@hotmail.com or 614-579-0622 (call or text).

Ongoing Contributions and Projects

Pop Tabs Collection Update

A Huge THANK YOU to all of you that have contributed aluminum tabs. The pandemic has been a very trying time for everyone but something good has come from it. Another 20# of tabs was recently turned in. Let's continue our good work serving this mission. —Linda Mahoney

Layette Project Helps New Parents in Our Community

Linda Wilton continues to coordinate the collecting of items for the Layette Project through Church Women United that provides basic baby needs to parents that don't have the resources to provide for their little ones. You can help by donating supplies for needy families in our local community.

Most needed items: Baby clothing from newborn up to one year, new or gently used;
 Small bottles of lotion, shampoo, powder; Small containers of wipes. Please, no
 Large economy sizes of bottles or wipes.

Please bring your items to church and drop them off in the wicker basket in the Narthex or contact Linda Wilton at 614-486-4233. Thank you for your generosity.

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Donate Flowers to Beautify the Sanctuary on Sunday Mornings

If you would like to donate flowers to beautify our Sanctuary on Sunday mornings, please pick up one of the yellow envelopes labeled "Offering for Flowers." The envelopes are available from the usher's desk in the Lounge or the church office. Complete the information on the envelope, enclose your check or cash, and either put it in the offering plate on Sunday or mail it to the church office. The cost of an arrangement is \$35.00. The arrangements may be picked up following the worship service. You can also donate anonymously and flowers will be ordered for Sundays that have not been designated.

