



Boulevard Presbyterian Church

Worship On The Lord's Day

July 17, 2022 10:00 A.M.

6th Sunday after Pentecost

With the lifting of the mask mandate for Columbus, we will no longer be requiring masks inside the building, although we encourage anyone who would like to continue to wear a mask to do so. If you are in the church building during the week and would prefer for the staff to be masked while you are in contact with them, please let them know and they will be happy to accommodate you. It is important for all of us to respect one another as we adapt to this new situation.

**please stand, if you are able. 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.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, let us worship Almighty God.

People: Let us lift up our songs, our prayers, and our praises.

Leader: Come, let us honor Christ Jesus.

People: Let us love Christ with our hearts, our minds, and our spirits.

Leader: Come, let us be filled with the Spirit of the Living God.

People: Breathe in us, Breath of God.

*HYMN 626

"As the Deer"

OFFERING OUR BROKENNESS TO GOD

Leader: God claims us in love and invites us to grow in that love, and to reflect that love to others. Yet our sin prevents us from living as God intends. In penitence and faith, let us seek God's forgiveness.
(a moment of silence)

People: Merciful Savior, you stand beside us, yet we prefer to stand on our own. You choose us, yet we choose worry. You attend to us, yet we attend to our own work.

Forgive us, gentle Teacher. Call us by name and visit us once more that we might find at your feet our joy, our purpose, and our hope. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON AND GOD'S PEACE

Leader: For God so loved the world that God gave us Jesus, who reconciles all and welcomes us home.
Hear and believe the good news!

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Sung Response 441

"Hear the Good News of Salvation" verse 1

**Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above.
Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION 451

"Open My Eyes, That I May See" verses 1 and 2

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 1:15-28

SCRIPTURE

Luke 10:38-42

SERMON

"Staying and Hearing"

Charlotte O'Neil

*HYMN 462

"I Love to Tell the Story"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In life and in death we belong to God. We trust in the one God whom we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human and fully God. Jesus preached good news to the poor, blessed the children, healed the sick. He forgives sinners, and calls us to a new way of living. We trust in God, the one that Jesus called Abba, Father. God created the world and made everyone in God's image, to live in one community. God acts with justice and mercy. With Christ, God makes us part of one family. We trust in the Holy Spirit, who gives and renews life. The Spirit sets us free to accept our selves and to love God and our neighbor. The Spirit brings us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray, to witness to Jesus Christ, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. *from A Brief Statement of Faith, PCUSA*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory

"Woke Up This Morning"

African American spiritual arr. by J. Jefferson Cleveland and Verolga Nix

*Sung Response 2065

"More Precious than Silver"

**Lord, you are more precious than silver.
Lord, you are more costly than gold.
Lord, you are more beautiful than diamonds,
and nothing I desire compares with you.**

(Words and Music by Lynn DeShazo (C) 1982 Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 175
"Seek Ye First"

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

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Worship Leader: Melissa Schmidt

Elder of the Month: Jill Hooley

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The flowers today are given in celebration of David & Jane Connors 37th Wedding Anniversary

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Nursery Care Available for Worship!

The Nursery is 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.

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

Prayers for Joy and Concern

Thanksgiving for an 'Incredible' VBS and for all the wonderful volunteers who helped make it happen.
Lauri, Martha Hills daughter, who is recovering from injuries after being hit by a car
Norma Kibbey, who is hospitalized at Riverside
Landon Feasel, Pat Nicholson's great-grandson, healing from broken femur
Jill Hooley who is recovering at home from surgery.
Fred - cancer (Hamilton's friend)
Debbie Bell as she continues to support her sister Judi who is receiving chemotherapy.
Sally Neff's son Tom
Bill Bell who is recovering from back surgery this week
Debbie and Bill Bell as they continue to care for Debbie's sister Judi
Mike McKinney who is recovering from thyroid surgery
Tom Hayes is in Assisted Living
Molly Hughes, aggressive form of breast cancer, and for her mother Bridget and Family (friends of Leah Hanesworth)
Charmaine Hamilton's sister Shelley, recovering from foot surgery
Amelia Hamilton – Friedreich's Ataxia (Charmaine and Mike Hamilton's granddaughter).
Devon – breast cancer (friend of Sue and Tim Harvey).
Craig and Gail, his wife – Craig has stage 4 cancer (friends of Lamar and Sandy Zigler).
John Odum – John has Parkinson's (Bonnie Grimm's cousin's husband).
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 – health issues (Mikie Bowles' brother).

Prayers for Our Special Care List

Glenn and Sara Beaber – Willow Brook
Helen Hoehl – memory care, Hilton Head Island, SC
Norma Kibbey – Westminster-Thurber Assisted Living
Brita Knapp – at home
Paul McCalla – Westminster-Thurber Assisted Living

CALENDAR

Sunday, July 17

6th Sunday after Pentecost
10:00am Worship: Sanctuary
In-person & live-streamed on Facebook
4:30pm—YWCA Dinner

Monday, July 18

6:30pm—Scouts BSA: FH
7pm—Finance Committee

Tuesday, July 19

7:30pm AA

Wednesday, July 20

9:30am Quilters: Rm 111
1:00pm Staff Meeting
7:30pm NA
7:30pm PNC Meeting:

Thursday, July 21

7:30pm GA: Rm 111

Friday, July 22

Saturday, July 23

Sunday, July 24

7th Sunday after Pentecost
Food Mission Sunday
8:45am Mission Mtg—Resource Rm.
10:00am Worship: Sanctuary
In-person & live-streamed on Facebook

Attendance

July 10, 2022: 48

Staff

Interim Pastor: Rev. Charlotte O'Neil
Music Coordinator: Mary Ann Stephens
Finance Secretary: Jacqueline Stradford
Office Manager:
Preschool Administrator: Mikie Bowles

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Announcements

NNEMAP Assistance needed for State Fair Parking

The Ohio State Fair has returned this year and NNEMAP pantry will once again be engaged in helping fairgoers with parking. We **only direct cars to open spots** on the pantry parking lot. Boulevard's day to help will be Sunday, August 7th, the last day of the fair. There are volunteer slots still open for the following times that day: 2 open slots from 8 a.m. to noon, and 2 open slots from noon to 4 p.m. Fundraising is critical to all pantries and the needs of our customers continues to grow. We are hopeful that our church community will once again embrace this opportunity. Touch base with Marlin Cheyney with any questions you may have. mar47lin@gmail.com (H) 614.486.1127 or (C) 614.949.1476.

Communion for the Home Bound

On Sunday, August 7, 2022, we will be arranging to take communion to our home bound members. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this. A team go to the homes of our home bound members to serve communion and visit with them. If this is something you haven't tried before, please consider going out in this very safe environment and trying something new. If you are a beginner at this, you will be paired with an experienced server. The visits will take about 2 hours. Those who do it regularly find they are blessed more than they bless! Copies of the day's scripture reading and a brief synopsis of the sermon will be provided to used in this extended communion service. These will be inserted into the full "Extended Communion Liturgy" so that you have an entire script for the visit. Of course, you may choose to use the liturgy as a guide, saying your own prayers and paraphrasing other parts. Please contact Paula Frank, dukeandcomet@aol.com ~ 614-352-3908, or Kim Welter, kwelter.2010@gmail.com ~ 419-410-0156, to be a part of this very special ministry.

YWCA Shelter

On Sunday, July 17th, Boulevard will again provide food for the YWCA Shelter. Along with the Boulevard online sign up site, there are also signup sheets in the church lounge. Thanks in advance for your help online with this worthy program. Sign up at <https://signup.com/Group/637012427239692068>

Day of Hope

You may recall that Steve Hills has been working to end the death penalty in Ohio. You all are encouraged to attend an event (Day of Hope) on the Statehouse lawn, High St. side, at noon on Monday July 18. Rev. Dr. Jack Sullivan, head of the Ohio Council of Churches will speak. He is a powerful speaker and you won't want to miss this! The 18th marks four years since the last person was executed in Ohio.

Summer Worship

The last Sundays in July and August will be in the Chapel instead of the Sanctuary. Join us for Worship at our next Chapel Service, Sunday, July 31, at 10:00.

Significant Six

We continue to collect personal care items on the 4th Sunday of every month. Items include: toothbrushes for adults and children (single brush rather than multi-pack), toothpaste, disposable razors, feminine hygiene products, bars of soap (not body wash), toilet paper.

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 and complete the information on the "Offering for Flowers" envelope 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. You can also donate anonymously and flowers will be ordered for Sundays that have not been designated.

Coffee Hour Hosting

Hosts for Coffee Hour are always needed. To sign up use <https://tinyurl.com/BPC-Coffee-Hour> There is also a sign-up sheet in the kitchenette.

Use Your Amazon Purchases to Benefit Boulevard Presbyterian Church

Boulevard receives a 0.5% charitable donation on all eligible purchases made through Boulevard's link on Amazon Smile. You can use the link at the bottom of Boulevard's webpage (blvdchurch.org).

2022 VBS – I AM INCREDIBLE!

Another year of VBS at Boulevard ended this past Wednesday. We had an average of 55 kids here each of the four days of VBS sharing dinner together and learning how much God loves them and how they can love God in return. Hopefully we have planted a faith seed or watered one that was already growing in them!

VBS would not have happened without all of you! The way that everyone either spontaneously offered their help or immediately said "yes" when asked speaks to Boulevard's commitment to this outreach mission to the community and to our members' willingness to always step up to the plate. Thanks to all who planned our rotation activities, to those who served as rotation leaders, shepherds and puppets, to those who prepared and served dinners, to those who provided food for the dinners, to those who decorated the puppet stage and sanctuary and to those who kept VBS in their prayers.

The children had a great time and really seemed to enjoy and connect with all the activities we had planned for them. One activity was tie dying Boulevard VBS tee shirts so keep an eye out for them while you are out and about in the community.

Thanks be to God for the chance to share God's love with the world around us!