

Boulevard Presbyterian Church Worship On The Lord's Day August 14, 2022 10:00 A.M. 11th 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 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"

Robert Hebble

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is our rock and our refuge, **People: a strong and mighty fortress.** Leader: Beloved people of light, come; God is our hope. **People: Let us worship God!**

*HYMN 619

"Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"

OFFERING OUR BROKENNESS TO GOD

Leader: In faith and in hope, we turn to the rock of our salvation and confess our sin together. (a moment of silence)

People: You call us, O God, but we seldom hear. Or, if we do hear, we are reluctant to respond. Or if we respond, we are afraid to follow your direction. Our sin pulls us away from you, yet you won't give up on us. Remove the obstacles that keep us from the life you intend for us. Help us to answer your call with our whole hearts, so that we may do your work and give you glory. We pray trusting in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

Leader: God is our hope and our trust, our light and salvation. 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 795 "Healer of Our Every III" refrain only

Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow, Give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

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SERMON

"The Crippling Truth"

Rev. Mary Gene Boteler (HR)

Isaiah 58:9-14

Luke 13:10-17

*HYMN 796 "We Come to You for Healing, Lord"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God, the nurturer of all humanity, who creates and sustains the universe by infinite power and redeeming love. We believe in Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, the Lord of life. Because of his words and works, his way with others, his use of suffering, his con quest of death, we know what life ought to be and what God is like. We believe that the Spirit of God is present with us now and always, and can be experienced in prayer, in forgiveness, in the Word and sacraments, in the fellowship of the church, and in all we do.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD Offertory "Sometimes a Light Surprises"

Irish Folk Melody

*Sung Response (Tune: My Faith Looks Up to Thee)

Praise God for blessings full. Sing out with thankful souls to God above! Bless now our offering; Transform these gifts we bring. Faithfully using them to show your love.

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 816 "If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee"

*BENEDICTION

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE "Healer of Our Every III"

setting by Jeffrey Honore

This morning we welcome Rev. Mary Gene Boteler as our guest preacher while Charlotte is away. Rev. Mary Gene Boteler (HR) is a child of Mississippi; she has served the church both nationally and internationally during her ministry. She is a graduate of Louisville Presbyterian Seminary where she serves on the Board of Trustees. She has served on numerous boards and committees, both in the church and in the community. Boteler is a contributor to Race in America published in 2021 by WJK Press. She is married to the Rev. Dr. Rick Nutt and they have two daughters and two grandchildren. Enjoying travel, she and her husband recently returned from a three-week sojourn in Israel/Palestine/Jordan.

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Worship Leader: Jon Stephens

Elder of the Month: Ian Rennick

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The flowers in this morning's service are given for the Glory of God

Nursery Care Available for Worship!

The Nursery is available from 9:30-11:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings during the worship service. 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

- Lauri, (Martha Hills daughter), who is recovering at home from multiple injuries after being hit by a car
- Becky Lyttle, (Sandy Ferguson's sister), undergoing chemo for myeloid Leukemia
- Fred cancer (Hamilton's friend)
- Debbie Bell as she continues to support her sister Judi who is receiving chemotherapy.
- Sally Neff's son Tom
- Debbie and Bill Bell as they continue to care for Debbie's sister Judi
- Mike McKinney who is recovering from thyroid surgery
- 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.
- Tim McLane health issues (Mikie Bowles' brother).

Prayers for Our Special Care List

Glenn and Sara Beaber – Willow Brook Tom Hayes is in Assisted Living at The Forum Helen Hoehl – memory care, Hilton Head Island, SC Norma Kibbey – Westminster-Thurber Assisted Living Brita Knapp – at home Paul McCalla – Westminster-Thurber Assisted Living Betty Sikking – at home

CALENDAR

Sunday, August 21 11th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00am Worship: Sanctuary In-person & live-streamed on Facebook Monday, August 22 6:30pm—Scouts BSA:FH 7:00pm—Session Tuesday, August 23 7:30pm AA Wednesday, August 24 9:30am Quilters: Rm 111 2:00pm Staff Meeting 7:30pm NA **PNC Meeting:** 7:30pm Thursday, August 25 7:30pm GA: Rm 111 Friday, August 26 Piano tuning in Chapel and Sanctuary Saturday, August 27 Sunday, August 28 Food Mission Sunday 12th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00am Worship: Chapel In-person & live-streamed on Facebook

Attendance

August 14, 2022: 43

<u>Staff</u>

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

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Announcements

Summer Worship

The last Sundays of the months during the summer have been in the Chapel instead of the Sanctuary. Join us for Worship in the Chapel next week, Sunday, August 28, at 10:00.

Welcome, Jeanette Gonzalez

We are pleased to welcome our new Office Manager, Jeanette Gonzalez, who started this past week. Stop by and introduce yourself and say 'hello'! Please be sure to direct your prayer concerns and announcements for the church bulletin to the church office email (Office@blvdchurch.org) or call (614-486-0267).

Grandview Hop—Volunteers needed!

Boulevard is again participating in the Grandview Hop. This is a summertime night market and community stroll that happens the last Saturday of the month, from June through September. We will have a tent with toys, bubbles and treats as well as information about the church. We are primarily showing that we are an active neighbor in the community. We need volunteers to greet people! The next Hop is Saturday August 27 from 5-9. We will have 2 shifts, 4:15-7 and 7-9 plus a small amount of take-down. Please sign up at https:// signup.com/go/pokdDXC. Let's show our community that we are good neighbors!

Diamond Home of the Renewed Youth Association

Make a Difference....Change a Life

Our mission focus for the month of August is the Diamond Home of the Renewed Youth Association. The Diamond Home, established in 1985, provides a place of learning and lodging for at-risk youth which permits them to reintegrate with their families and society. The Home is a non-profit, non-governmental organization. Many of these children have been turned out of their homes by families who could no longer support them. Once on the streets they turn to drugs and begging. The Diamond Home provides a school for these children up to 6th grade. In addition to their educational learning, the children also learn skills. These skills include caring for animals through the school's partnership with Heifer Honduras, working in a bakery, making furniture in their carpentry shop and learning plumbing, electricity, and repair skills in their maintenance shop. The children spend half a day in the classroom and the other half day in one of the skill sessions. This organization has a very limited budget and has had to limit the number of children that they can house. A substantial portion of their income comes from the sale of their work products, such as baked goods, furniture, eggs, etc. For just \$300 per month, Boulevard can fully support the food, lodging, education and training of one of these disadvantaged youth. If you would like to assist in our support of this organization, you may write a check to Boulevard and either mail it to the office or put it in the offering plate

Communion for the Home Bound

A team of servers will go to the homes of our home-bound members to serve communion and visit with them. The visits take about 2 hours. Participants find that 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 be 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. You may choose to use the liturgy only as a guide, saying your own prayers and paraphrasing other parts. If this is something you haven't tried before, please consider going out in this very safe environment and trying something new. you will be paired with an experienced server. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this special ministry. Contact Paula Frank, dukeandcomet@aol.com ~ 614-352-3908, or Kim Welter, kwelter.2010@gmail.com ~ 419-410-0156.

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.

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