



## Boulevard Presbyterian Church

*...Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourself in rich food.  
Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.*

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17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Service of Worship

October 2, 2022

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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CENTERING PRAYER

HYMN 637

“Cantad al Señor” (O Sing to the Lord)  
verses 1, 2 and 5 in English, then Spanish

Originally a Brazilian folk melody

**O Sing to the Lord; O sing God a new song. (3x)**  
**O sing to our God; O sing to our God.**

**Cantad al Señor un cantico nuevo. (3x)**  
**Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!**

**For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders. (3x)**  
**O sing to our God; O sing to our God.**

**Pues nuestro Señor ha hecho prodigios. (3x)**  
**Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!**

**For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia! (3x)**  
**O sing to our God; O sing to our God.**

**Jesus es Señor! Amen, aleluia! (3x)**  
**Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!**

\*OFFERING OUR BROKENNESS TO GOD

God’s grace was given to us in Christ before the ages began. In spite of God’s love for us, we often act in destructive and hateful ways. Trusting in Christ’s mercy that never ends, let us with honesty confess our sins before God and one another.

*A time of silence*

**Gracious Lord, you created the whole world and called it good, but we look out at your world and see division and suffering. You call us to maintain the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace, but we choose division over diversity, confrontation over civility, conflict over peace born from justice. You call us to love the least of these among us, but we hear the cries of the oppressed and choose our own comfort. We allow senseless suffering rather than sacrifice for our neighbors.**

**Forgive us. Grant us fresh vision to see one another as siblings in Christ. Rekindle in us your gifts – the spirit of power, love, and self-discipline – that with faith in Christ, we might be made new and be part of bringing forth your peaceable kingdom. Amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF GOD’S PARDON AND GOD’S PEACE**

We call to mind your promises and therefore we find hope: the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. God’s mercies are new every morning. Believe the good news.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

Please share signs of peace with one another.

**\*Sung Response 425**

“Son of God, Whose Heart Is Peace” verse 1

Maori melody

**Son of God, whose heart is peace, Son of God, most holy,  
To your presence we have come; give us now your love.**

*Even in translation this hymn from the indigenous peoples of New Zealand conveys a stark beauty in its confident address to Christ and its prayer for release from the captivity of sin. Their traditional melody further connects us with these people from the other side of the world.*

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

SCRIPTURE: Acts 2:42-47

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 55

SERMON

"Transforming Words Into Living Testimony"  
A Sermon by Rev. Paúl Felipe Santiago-Rivera  
PCUSA Peacemaking Program

Rev. Charlotte O’Neil

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

Offertory

Steve Hills, soloist

“Jesus es mi Rey Soberano”

(Jesus Is My Sovereign King)

Vicente Mendoza

(English translation): Jesus is my sovereign King, my Joy is to sing his praise;  
he is King and he sees me as a sister/brother. He is King and he imparts his love to me.

Leaving his throne of glory, he came to heal me of my imperfections,  
and I am happy, and I am happy because of him.

Jesus is my longed-for friend, and in shadows or in light he's always there.

Patient and humble he's by my side; He helps and sustains me.

That is why I constantly follow him, because he is my King and my friend,  
and I am happy, and I am happy because of him.

Lord, what could I give you for such goodness to me?

Is it enough for me to serve you and love you? Is it all, giving myself to you?

Then, accept my life, which to you alone I surrender.

And yes, I am happy, and yes, I am happy because of you.

**\*Sung Response 605**

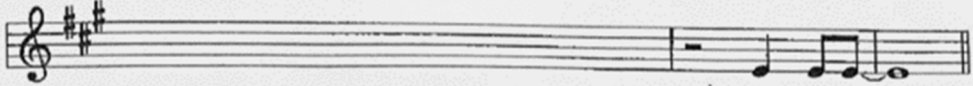
“Da n’ase” (Praise to God the Father)

Ghanaian melody

**Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son;  
Praise to God the Spirit: praise the Three-in-One.  
Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high.  
Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.**

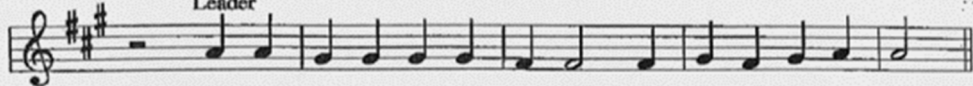
GATHERING OF PRAYER CONCERNS  
Congregational Response  
"For the Healing of the Nations"

**For the Healing of the Nations**  
*or For the Healing of Creation* 12



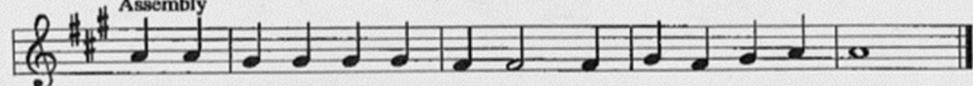
*The leader names those for whom prayers are made. The assembly responds: Peace be yours.  
or God, re-new.*

*After each verse:*  
Leader



For the heal-ing of the na-tions, we pray to you, O God.  
*or* For the heal-ing of cre - a - tion, we pray to you, O God.

Assembly



For the heal-ing of the na-tions, we pray to you, O God.  
For the heal-ing of cre - a - tion, we pray to you, O God.

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Music: John D. Becker, from *Litany of the Saints*  
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SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.**

**Amen**

Communion

Prayer after Communion

\*HYMN 80

"You Shall Go Out with Joy"

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

"Amen siakudumisa" (Amen, We Praise Your Name)

South African

*Congregation is invited to join in singing as we go forth from this place*

**Amen, we praise your name, O God! Amen, we praise your name, O God!**

**Amen, amen. Amen, amen. Amen, we praise your name, O God!**

**Amen si-a-ku-du-mi-sa! Amen si-a-ku-du-mi-sa!  
Amen, ba-wo. Amen, ba-wo. Amen si-a-ku-du-mi-sa!**

Vicente Mendoza, a Mexican pastor, published the hymn “Jesus es mi Rey Soberano” in 1920. He wrote it on a day when it was raining so hard that he couldn’t go outside. So he sat down at the piano and started playing hymns. He then took a pencil and paper and wrote the words and melody of this beautiful hymn. Today almost any hymnal in Spanish contains some hymns written by Vicente Mendoza. He was one of the first to write hymns in Spanish rather than translate hymns written originally in English. As a result, his hymns reflect well the cultural context of Spanish speaking protestant churches.

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 Worship Leader: Carol McFadden

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Elder of the Month: Linda Wilton

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

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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.

Attendance: Sunday, September 25, 2022: 39

**STAFF**

Interim Pastor: Rev. Charlotte O’Neil  
 Music Coordinator: Mary Ann Stephens  
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**CALENDAR**

**OCTOBER 2022**

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| <p><b>02) Sunday</b><br/>           17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost<br/>           10:00am Worship: Sanctuary<br/>           In-person &amp; live-streamed on Facebook<br/>           11:00am Intergenerational Activity for World Communion Sunday</p> | <p><b>03) Monday</b><br/>           7:00pm Finance Committee<br/>           7:30pm Boy Scouts BSA:FH</p> | <p><b>04) Tuesday</b><br/>           7:00pm Worship &amp; Music<br/>           7:30pm AA</p>                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <p><b>05) Wednesday</b><br/>           9:30am Quilters-Rm 111<br/>           1:00pm Staff meeting<br/>           6:45pm Bell Basics<br/>           7:30pm Bell Choir<br/>           7:30pm NA</p>                                                              | <p><b>06) Thursday</b><br/>           7:15pm Chanel Choir<br/>           7:30pm GA: Rm 111</p>           | <p><b>09) Sunday</b><br/>           18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost<br/>           10:00am Worship: Sanctuary<br/>           In-person &amp; live-streamed on Facebook<br/>           11:00am “Faith Development “A Plastic Tide” Documentary &amp; Discussion.</p> |

## **PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN**

Bill Bell, severe back pain

Lauri, (Martha Hills daughter), who is recovering at home from multiple injuries after being hit by a car  
Jane Conner – For the family and friends of her neighbor Gary Robison who passed last week

Becky Lyttle, (Sandy Ferguson's sister), undergoing chemo for myeloid Leukemia

Fred - cancer (Hamilton's friend)

Debbie and Bill Bell as they continue to support her sister Judi who is receiving chemotherapy.

Sally Neff's son Tom

Molly Hughes, aggressive form of breast cancer, and or her mother Bridget and Family (friends of Leah Hanesworth)

Amelia Hamilton – Friedreich's Ataxia (Charmaine and Mike Hamilton's granddaughter).

Evelyn-Jim Baily's sister who is recovering from a stroke

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).

Landon Feasel – Broken femur, will have a long recovery

Sue Glander – Breast cancer – close friend of Pat Nicholson

## **Prayers for Our Special Care List**

Glenn and Sara Beaber – Willow Brook

Tom Hayes is in Assisted Living at The Forum

Norma Kibbey – Westminster-Thurber Assisted Living

Brita Knapp – at home

Paul McCalla – Westminster-Thurber Assisted Living

Betty Sikking – at home



Dreamstime.com

### **Music at Boulevard**

If you sing, ring, or play an instrument, you are welcome to share your gifts in Worship at Boulevard! You don't have to be a professional: All you have to do is show up and share what the Holy Spirit creates through our best efforts! Contact Mary Ann Stephens:  
jstephens18@columbus.rr.com

### **CHANCEL CHOIR**

Ages High School/Adult  
Thursdays at 7:15 PM in the Sanctuary

The choir is scheduled to sing in worship on the following dates:

Sunday, October 30 (All Saints' Day celebrated in Worship)

Sunday, November 13

Sunday, December 4 (2nd Sunday of Advent)

Sunday, December 18 (4th Sunday of Advent)

Saturday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

On a different note, Boulevard is blessed to own 4 octaves of handbells plus a set of hand chimes. We just need people to step up and participate in playing them! If you've never played handbells but would like to learn, you are invited to come learn the "Bell Basics" to get started.

### **BELL CHOIR**

Ages Junior High/Adult  
Wednesdays at 6:45 and 7:30

Bell Basics for Beginners at 6:45 PM in the Balcony

Bells Te Deum for more experienced ringers at 7:30 in the Balcony.

*Bell Choir schedule for ringing in Worship TBA depending on response*

### **ADDITIONAL INSTRUMENTS**

Anyone

Starting Anytime

Instrumentalists are always welcome to play during the Worship Service. This includes any band or orchestra instruments, percussion, piano, guitar, flutophone, etc.

Your gifts can always be incorporated.

### **Please make yourself known!**

Finally, Brothers and Sisters in Christ, remember that God created humankind for God's own delight. ***Come be an active participant in music ministry at Boulevard!***

**Mary Ann Stephens, Music Coordinator: jstephens18@columbus.rr.com, 614-946-4941**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **MISSION DRIVE FOR OCTOBER IS HEIFER INTERNATIONAL**

Our mission drive for the month of October is Heifer International. Heifer International works with communities to end hunger and hardship by bringing sustainable agriculture and commerce opportunities to areas with a long history of poverty. While there are many ways to help Heifer in their work, we are continuing to focus on providing animals to those in need. The animals these families receive from Heifer provide them with both food and a source of reliable income as products such as milk, eggs and honey can be traded or sold at market. Recipients are then required to pass on part of their gift to a neighbor in need. As many families in an area gain this sustainable type of income, it brings new opportunities for building schools, creating agricultural cooperatives and funding small businesses. Since 1944, Heifer has provided these opportunities to resource-poor families in over 125 countries. The following is a partial list of the animals Heifer provides and their cost:

|                     |                         |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Heifer \$500        | Pig \$120               |
| Water Buffalo \$250 | Honeybee hive \$ 30     |
| Llama/Alpaca \$150  | Flock of Chickens \$ 20 |
| Goat \$120          | Flock of Ducks \$ 20    |
| Sheep \$120         |                         |

The Mission Committee would like to aggregate the gifts from the congregation and provide one donation from Boulevard. If you would like to contribute, you may put your check in the offering plate at church or mail it in to the office. Please be sure to put Heifer in the memo line of your check. Thank you for helping show Christ's love to those in need.

### **RONALD MCDONALDS HOUSE**

Recently I turned in 22 pounds of aluminum tabs to Ronald McDonalds House. Thanks to everyone contributing. It is really appreciated by them. - Linda Mahoney

### **WHAT IF YOU WERE SENTENCED TO DEATH FOR A CRIME YOU DIDN'T COMMIT?**

Join the Ohio Innocence Tour 2022 as three death row exonerees share their stories on Tuesday, October 4 at 7:00 p.m. at the Capital University Law School Library, 4th Floor, 303 E. Broad Street, Columbus. This event is co-sponsored by the Ohio Council of Churches.

### **COMMUNION FOR OUR HOME BOUND MEMBERS**

Today we will be taking communion to our home bound members. If you would like to be a part of this ongoing ministry, you could still contact Paula Frank, [dukeandcomet@aol.com](mailto:dukeandcomet@aol.com) ~ 614-352-3908, or Kim Welter, [kwelter.2010@gmail.com](mailto:kwelter.2010@gmail.com) ~ 419-410-0156, to be a part of this very special ministry.

### **Buckhorn Children and Family Services**

Boulevard has supported Buckhorn several times over the years, and the quilters continue to provide quilts for their beds. Buckhorn has reached out to Boulevard asking for our help. When the floods hit Eastern Kentucky, Buckhorn sustained a great deal of damage. Even now that the waters have receded, the road to the homes has been washed out, so employees and volunteers must walk in to serve the people. Their mission is to serve kids and strengthen families as they work to overcome a variety of life crises, including chronic and severe abuse and neglect. With the 2022 mission budget already accounted for, the Board of Deacons decided to help. The Board of Deacons will match the first \$1,000 given by the congregation. If you would like to help, just put Buckhorn in the memo line of your check and place the check in the offering plate.

## **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**

Looking for a way to volunteer? The Deacons have Coffee Hour hosting opportunities. Sign up for a Sunday, whenever you are available. Link: <https://tinyurl.com/BPC-Coffee-Hour>. There is also a sign-up sheet in the kitchenette.

## **INTERGENERATIONAL OUTING**

Mark Your Calendars

### **LITTLE WOMEN**

play by students at Grandview Heights

Saturday, November 5 @ 7:00 pm @ Old LMS Commons, 1240 Oakland Avenue

Children and youth will be covered by Boulevard's Theatre Fund

Working out details to possibly include dinner prior to the play.

Transportation available.

More Details to Come

Faith Development Committee: Alaina Engdahl, Charmaine Hamilton and Jill Hooley

## **PRESBYTERY COATS-FOR-KIDS COAT DRIVE**

Our congregation is invited to join in this Presbytery Wide-Effort coat drive by donating new or gently used jackets and coats for children in elementary, middle, or high school. We also accept cash or checks that we can turn into coats; make checks payable to the Presbytery of Scioto Valley and write "coats" in the memo line. Make monetary donations in our Sunday offering or in the church office. If you have coats, give them to Steve Hills and he will make sure they get to the Presbytery. Deadline is Friday, November 4th.



# World Communion Intergenerational Sunday Stations

*Breads of the World:* Visit this food station and sample breads from around the world!

*Crosses of the World:* In the Presbyterian church, we are most familiar with the Latin cross. But there are many different ways that crosses are drawn around the world! At this craft station, international crosses will be available to decorate and will be hung in the lounge to remind us of how Christ’s sacrifice on the cross was truly made for ALL people.



*Puzzle Station:* “Love One Another” continues at the jigsaw puzzle station! A large floor puzzle of “Children of the World” will also be available for kids.

*International Mission Station:* Visit this station to learn about ways that Boulevard is involved in mission projects internationally, especially through the Diamond Home in Honduras and Heifer International (which is the October mission focus!).

*Where in the World has Boulevard Traveled?:* At this station, we will put pins on a map of the world where we have traveled.

Different colored pins will be used to show where we have worshipped. Fascinated to see what our map looks like!

*Pop Up Museum:* Effectively grown-up “Show and Tell”. People get to bring in an object that is from a different culture or place (perhaps a family heirloom from an immigrant ancestor, something acquired while traveling, etc.) and put a little placard by the object describing it. Bonus if the object can be tied into the international Christian community!

A small play area will be available for the littlest ones. Kid-friendly snacks will be provided.

## What’s Happening in October?

|                    | <b>Youth &amp; Adults</b>                                                                                                     | <b>Kids</b>                                                                                                                           |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>October 2nd</b> | <b>World Communion Intergenerational Sunday</b>                                                                               |                                                                                                                                       |
| October 9          | "A Plastic Tide" Documentary Viewing and Discussion                                                                           | Four-week series on how God's children can care for His Creation, using a curriculum from our Christian friends in the Quaker Church. |
| October 16         | Recycling Information Presentation from Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO)                                         |                                                                                                                                       |
| October 23         | Learn about God's Good Earth (specifically in the form of rocks) in a geology lesson presented by Mac Swinford                |                                                                                                                                       |
| October 30         | Learn about honey bees and how they reflect Christian virtues in a beekeeping talk presented by Alaina Engdahl and Casey Hoch |                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>November 6</b>  | <b>Celebration of Earth Stewardship Intergenerational Sunday</b>                                                              |                                                                                                                                       |