

There is always light. If only we're brave enough to see it.
If only we've brave enough to be it. -Amanda Gorman
BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Transfiguration Sunday

Service of Worship

February 19, 2023

PRELUDE

"Wings of a Dove"

MikeMerriMac Trio

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The day has dawned; the morning star rises in our hearts.

People: We witness the glory of Christ!

Leader: God speaks to us in cloud and flame,
in mysterious words and dazzling visions.

People: We witness the glory of Christ!

Leader: The Lord loves justice and equity, and is exalted over all the people.

People: We witness the glory of Christ!

All: Praise the Lord!

*HYMN 662

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Standing in the light of Christ, we see the shadows hidden in our hearts. Let us tell the truth about ourselves, trusting in God's grace, that we might be assured of your mercy to follow in the way of Christ.

Time for silent confession.

Splendid God, we cannot stand before the glory of your presence. You shine with divine light, and we are overwhelmed by your goodness. Lift us in your mercy, release us from our fear, and fill us with your Spirit, that we might reflect your light, and share in your love, following in the way of Christ your beloved. Amen.

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

We are God's beloved people, forgiven and restored by God's grace.

This is the good news! Thanks be to God!

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also, with you!

*Sung Response 448

"Peace of God Be with You"

Peace of God be with you. Peace of God be with you.

Salaam, salaam.

Peace of God be with you.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: Exodus 24:12-18 (pg. 62)

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 17:1-9 (pg. 798)

SERMON

"Standing in the Light; Overcoming Our Fear"

Rev. Charlotte O'Neil

*HYMN 673

"Jesus, Light of Joy"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives, whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth, whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all, and whose love, defeating even death, is our glorious promise of freedom. Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt, in God we trust. And in the name of Jesus we commit ourselves to seek justice and to live in peace; to care for the earth, and to share the commonwealth of God's goodness; to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of God's love; and in the company of the faithful so as to be the church, for the glory of God.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory

"His Name Is Jesus"

MikeMerriMac Trio

*Sung Response 658

"God Is So Good" vs. 1

**God is so good; God is so good;
God is so good; God's so good to me.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

*COMMUNION HYMN 514

"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S TABLE

The Lord be with you. **And also, with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise:

beyond the stars; beneath the sea;

within each cell; with every breath.

We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness:
through the water; by night and day;
across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear son:
at the heart of human life;
near to those who suffer; beside the sinner;
among the poor; with us now.

We thank you, O God.

Remembering his love for us
on the way, at the table, and to the end,
we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Sung Response 553

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

We pray for the gift of your Spirit:
in our gathering; within the meal;
among your people; throughout the world.
Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God,
through Jesus Christ, by your Spirit,
in your church, without end.

Amen.

Communion

Music during Communion 418
"Softly and tenderly"

MikeMerriMac Trio

Prayer after Communion

*HYMN 192

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

"All Prayed UP"

*Please stand, if able

Worship Leader: Jon Stephens

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The Flowers for this morning's service is given for the Glory of God

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Elder of the Month: Mac Swinford

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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 Sue Harvey (614-216-5884). Thank you for caring for our most precious members.

Attendance for February 19, 2023: 56

STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Charlotte O'Neil

Music Coordinator: Mary Ann Stephens Office Manager: Jeanette Gonzalez

Preschool Administrator: Mikie Bowles Financial Officer: Yang Wu

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CALENDAR JANUARY 2023

02/19) Sunday Transfiguration 10:00am Worship: Sanctuary in-person & live-streamed on Facebook 11:15am (Lent for children) After the worship service, join us on the 3 rd floor for the Follow Me program "Love God, Neighbor, Enemy" led by Stefanie Osborne and Jill Hooley. 11:15am (Lent for adults and older youth) Join Kyme Rennick in the Chapel for Adam Hamilton's "24 Hours That Changed the World".			
02/20) Monday 7:30pm Boy Scouts BSA: FH Presidents Day Office Closed	02/21) Tuesday 7:00pm AA meeting 7:00pm Worship & Music Committee meeting.	02/22) Wednesday 9:00am Quilters 111 1:00pm Staff meeting 6:45pm Cubs/Bears 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Service. 7:30pm NA meeting	02/23) Thursday 6:45pm Cubs Tiger/Wolf 7:15pm Chancel Choir 7:30pm GA: Rm 111
02/24) Friday	02/26) Sunday 10:00am Worship: Sanctuary in-person & live-streamed on Facebook. 11:15am Lent for children, older youth, and adults' classes.		

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN FEBRUARY

Date	Member:	Date	Member:	Date	Member:
2/2	Tim Harvey	2/12	Katie Schmidt	2/16	Regina Lukich
2/5	Kevin Hicks	2/13	Dan Hooley	2/17	Carol Agler
2/7	Ann Mattiaccy	2/13	Sarah Murdick	2/25	Harold Cheyney
2/8	Michael Frase	2/13	Judy Pierce	2/26	Marlin Cheyney
2/10	Beth Snider	2/14	Stephanie Nelson	2/28	Merri Bame
2/11	Lana Williamson	2/15	Ron Nines	2/29	Enoch Osborne

Birthday Blessings to all!



PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

Prayer asked from:	For:
Melissa & Michael Schmidt	Son-in-law, Ian Gilbert, was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma
Sally Neff	Son, Tom Neff, is at Riverside Hospital
Pat Nicholson	Deanna Nicholson has had a recurrence of cancer and will have surgery on the roof of her mouth on March 2.
Sandy Ferguson	Daughter, will be having surgery for her knee
	Paul McCalla, entered hospice care Friday February 10, 2023
Melissa Schmidt	Dear Friend Jan had a stroke.
	Lisa Faulkner who has serious medical issues
Merri Bame	Mom, Sue Bame, moved into Memory Care Facility
Norma Kibbey	Daughter-in-law Cheryl Kibbey is recovering from back surgery
	Bill & Katy Frase continued health concerns
Tim & Sue Harvey	Dear Friend, Walt, recently diagnosed with aggressive prostate cancer
Tim & Sue Harvey	Daughter Jen's dear friend's daughter has a brain tumor at age 13
Charmaine Hamilton	Fred Heald, friend, recuperating from surgery
Debbie & Bill Bell	As they continue to support Debbie's sister, Judi who is receiving chemotherapy
Sally Neff	Son, Tom Neff
Leah Hanesworth	Friend, Molly Hughes, who has an aggressive form of breast cancer, and for Molly's mother, Bridget and Family
Charmaine & Mike Hamilton	Granddaughter, Amelia Hamilton, who has Friedreich's Ataxia
Tim & Sue Harvey	Devon, friend, has breast cancer
Lamar & Sandy Zigler	Friends Craig and Gail. Craig has stage 4 cancer
Bonnie Grimm	Bonnie's cousin's husband, John Odum, has Parkinson
Bill Bell	Friend, Terri Randal, cancer has recurred
Charmaine Hamilton	Friend, Karla Holton, treatment for lung cancer
Charmaine Hamilton	Brother, Spencer Schalip, medical concerns
Jim Parks & Grace Parks	Tim Parks, (Jim's son and Grace's brother) Parkinson's disease
Mikie Bowles	Brother, Tim McLane, has health issues
	Terry McFadden, in Allen Oakwood Correctional

PRAYERS FOR OUR SPECIAL CARE LIST

Members:		Members:	
Glenn & Sara Beaber	Willow Brook	Brita Knapp	home
Tom Hayes	The Forum-Assisted Living	Paul McCalla	Westminster-Thurber – Assisted Living
Norma Kibbey	Westminster-Thurber – Assisted Living	Betty Sikking	Home

COMMUNION FOR 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 ~ 614-352-3908, or Kim Welter, kwelter.2010@gmail.com ~ 419-410-0156, to be a part of this very special ministry.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023, 7:00PM-ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE.

Readings, Meditation, and Imposition of Ashes.

LENT FOR CHILDREN:

After the worship service, join us for the Follow Me program "Love God, Neighbor, Enemy" led by Stefanie Osborne and Jill Hooley (3rd floor at 11:15)

February 19	- Serve a Stranger	March 5	-Wash Another's Feet
February 26	- Show Mercy	March 12	- Be Courageous
		March 19	- Live Peaceably

LENT FOR ADULTS AND OLDER YOUTH

Join Kyme Rennick for Adam Hamilton's 24 Hours That Changed the World. The book is worth buying, but not necessary for the class and used books can be purchased on-line. You can attend all 7 weeks or come as your schedule permits. Kyme will also share her personal experience of visiting the Holy Lands in 2010. Thanks to Kyme for agreeing to lead this series. (Chapel at 11:15). Going forward the adult/older youth classes held in the chapel will have the benefit of a portable speaker so the presenter can easily be heard

February 19	- The Garden of Gethsemane	March 12	- The Torture and Humiliation of the King
February 26	- Condemned by the Righteous	March 19	- The Crucifixion
March 5	- Jesus, Barabbas, and Pilate	March 26	- Christ the Victor

GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS MUSICAL "THE ADDAMS FAMILY"- March 4th

Intergenerational outing to attend the Grandview Heights musical THE ADDAMS FAMILY with dinner prior to the performance. Saturday, March 4th- 7:30 PM (still working on dinner arrangements so we will meet at 5:30 or 6:00 pm) It's at the GHHS Auditorium. Although the tickets are not on-line to purchase as of this writing, the musicals typically fill the auditorium and it will be held in the newly renovated auditorium. It is important to let me know if you want to attend on or before February 16. The theatre fund will cover the cost of the tickets and dinner for our youth and one friend per youth. If you do not drive at night and would like to attend, I can make arrangements for transportation. Please contact Charmaine Hamilton at 614-579-0622 or charmainehamilton@hotmail.com if you have questions.

FINANCIAL OFFICER

Please welcome Yang (pronounced Yawn) Wu, who started as Boulevard's Finance Officer on Thursday, February 9th. She is a student at Columbus State Community College studying accounting. She will be working in the office all day every Monday and Thursday. Yang is eager to get accounting experience as she works on her degree. If you are in the office while she is there, please be sure to say hello.

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.

DONATE FLOWERS TO BEAUTIFY THE SANCTUARY ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

The flower shop where we order our arrangements for Sunday Worship Service has raised our price from \$35.00 to \$50.00 as of March 2023. 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 in the offering plate on Sunday or mail it to the church office. You can also donate anonymously and flowers will be ordered for Sundays that have not been designated. February's arrangement cost will still be \$35.00.