



Do not be dismayed by the brokenness of the world. All things break. And all things can be mended. Not with time, as they say, but with intention. So, go. Love intentionally, extravagantly, unconditionally. — *L.R. Knost*

## BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Service of Worship

February 5, 2023

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Minute for Mission

Emina Osborne

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Steady our steps, O God, as we travel the journey set before us.

**Let us walk in the way of Christ and pursue the path of peace.**

Keep us on the course of life as we seek to be faithful

**and as we gather to praise you, our faithful Lord and God.**

### \*HYMNS

452 "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

743 "O God, You are my God"

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Into the places of our isolation, God speaks the words of life and community. Through God's graceful, healing presence, God redeems our woundedness and restores us to wholeness. Trusting in God's gracious provision, let us together confess our limitations and proclaim God's faithfulness.

*(a time for silent prayer)*

**Generous God, we are baptized as your people, called to live and serve together as your church. We confess that we have sought to live for ourselves; we have not reached out to others and honored the divine image in all your children.**

**Forgive us, we pray, in your abundant mercy give us the grace to be your church, confessing our faults, offering forgiveness, and working for reconciliation. Turn our hearts to your intentions that we may hold fast to one another and draw near to your presence. In Jesus we ask it. Amen.**

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

Friends, in Jesus Christ we have been fed God's grace and redemption. It is that redemption that gives us the strength to love our neighbors near and far, proclaiming in our words and deeds:

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

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

Alaina Engdahl

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

**O God, what the world says and what you say are often at odds. Set before us now your truth as we hear your Word and as we respond in faithful trust. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE: NUMBERS 13:30-33 (pg 115)

SERMON

“Change the Way You See Things”

Pastor Curtis Kemp

\*SONGS

“You Can Build a Wall or You Can Build a Bridge”

**You can build a wall, or you can build a bridge;**

**It all depends upon the love you give.**

**If you build a wall, your world is small;**

**But a bridge of love can conquer all.**

“Love, Love, Love, Love”

**Love, love, love, love,**

**The gospel, in a word, is love.**

**Love your neighbor as your brother.**

**Love, love, love.**

**Love, love, love.**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*From A Brief Statement of Faith*)

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church.**

**The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory

\*Sung Response 655

“What Shall I Render to the Lord” verses 1 and 4

**What shall I render to the Lord; what shall my offering be,**

**For all the gracious benefits God hath bestowed on me?**

**Within God’s house, the house of prayer, my soul shall bless the Lord,**

**And praises to God’s holy name let all the saints accord.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be 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**

\*HYMN 761

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

"Let the Walls Fall Down"

Bill Batstone, Anne Barbour, John Barbour

**Chorus:**

**Let the walls fall down. Let the walls fall down. Let the walls fall down.  
By His love let the walls fall down.**

**One by one we're drawn together, one by one to Jesus' side.  
One in Him, we'll live forever, strangers He has reconciled. (repeat chorus)  
In His love no walls between us, in His love, a common ground.  
Kneeling at the cross of Jesus, all our pride comes tumbling down. (repeat chorus)**

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\*Please stand, if able

Today we welcome Curtis Kemp. He is a Pastor at Good Life Church in Columbus, Ohio. Pastor Kemp attended The Ohio State University and completed his ministerial studies at Ever Increasing Word Training Center, of Darrow, Louisiana. He is currently the Administrator of Volunteer & Religious Services, for the State of Ohio, and Department of Youth Services. Pastor Kemp is married to Mildred Kemp, and they have five wonderful children and two grandsons.

Worship Leader: Sandy Ferguson

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Flowers for this mornings service are 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 Nursey for the second hour. To volunteer, please contact Sue Harvey (614-216-5884). Thank you for caring for our most precious members.

Attendance for January 29, 2023: 55

**STAFF**

Pastor: Rev. Charlotte O’Neil

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**CALENDAR JANUARY 2023**

<p><b>02/05) 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany</b> 10:00am Worship: Sanctuary in-person &amp; live-streamed on Facebook</p> <p>After worship service, everyone is invited to help assemble the 125 soup kits in the lounge after church. The kits will be distributed at NNEMAP. Alaina Engdahl will be making soup from one of the kits so we can all sample.</p>	<p><b>02/06) Monday</b> 7:30pm Boy Scouts BSA: FH</p>	<p><b>02/07)</b> Tuesday AA meeting</p>	<p><b>02/08) Wednesday</b> 1:00pm Staff meeting 6:45pm Bell Rehearsal 7:30pm PNC meeting 7:30pm NA meeting</p>
<p><b>02/09) Thursday</b> 7:30pm Chancel Choir 7:30pm GA: Rm 111</p>	<p><b>02/12) Sunday</b> 10:00am Worship: Sanctuary in-person &amp; live-streamed on Facebook</p> <p>After the worship service the congregation will meet to elect new officials and receive the new budget</p>		

**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:
Pat Nicholson	Deanna Nicholson has had a recurrence of cancer and will have surgery on the roof of her mouth on March 2.
	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
Jim & Kathie Bailey	Nephew, Jim Treadway has been placed in hospice
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](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.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **OFFERING BOXES:**

The Offering Boxes have arrived and will be available for you to pick up in the lounge area.

## **ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE CONGREGATION**

After the worship service on February 12, the congregation will meet to elect new officials and receive the new budget

## **SOUPER BOWL 2023**

The Souper Bowl of Caring is a youth-inspired movement working to tackle hunger in communities across our nation. Begun in 1990 at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Columbia, South Carolina, the movement has created over \$175 million worth of hunger relief support that stays completely local. Last year alone over \$3.5 million in dollars and food donations were raised. Boulevard Presbyterian has participated in the Souper Bowl for many years and will be doing so once again this year. On Sunday, **February 12**, the youth at our church will be at the doors to the sanctuary bearing soup pots to accept your donations to the Souper Bowl of Caring. If you would like to contribute either a monetary donation or a can of soup, please drop your donations in their pots. If you are writing a check, please mark Souper Bowl on the memo line so it will be credited to the proper account. You may also mail a check into the office if you are not attending the service. The youth will decide which of our local food-relief organizations they would like to support. Thank you for joining in to help lessen hunger in our community. More information about the Souper Bowl can be found at [www.souperbowl.org](http://www.souperbowl.org)

## **DONATE FLOWERS TO BEAUTIFY THE SANCTUARY ON SUNDAY MORNINGS (PRICE CHANGE)**

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.

## **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 12	- Love Extravagantly	March 5	-Wash Another's Feet
February 19	- Serve a Stranger	March 12	- Be Courageous
February 26	- Show Mercy	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)

February 12	- The Last Supper	March 5	- Jesus, Barabbas, and Pilate
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 26	- Christ the Victor

### **GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS MUSICAL “THE ADDAMS FAMILY”- March 4<sup>th</sup>**

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.

### **THE BLESSING BOX**

The Blessing Box is erected on Northwest Boulevard by the big pine tree. First graders from Stevenson Elementary have stocked it with food for those in need. The Boulevard Blessing Box is now part of 100+ units in Central Ohio. Blessing Boxes are outdoor, publicly-located cabinets that allow for people to donate items to bless others in need. These boxes can include; non-perishable food items, basic toiletries, baby supplies, pet food, or anything else that might be considered a blessing to someone in need. The motto is – “Take what you need; leave what you can”.

### **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.