

"I've Been Meaning to Ask . . . What Do You Need?" BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Service of Worship

August 20, 2023

PRELUDE

"Blessed Assurance"

Bill Gamble

"It Is Well with My Soul"

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Family of faith, this must be the place.

This is the place for connection and growth, for community and hope.

This must be the place for questions like, "Where are you from?" and, "What do you need?" For whispers of: "I've been thinking of you, "and, "I've been meaning to ask. . ."

This must be the place, because all belong here.

All are welcome here.

All hurt and joy, needs and prayers, dreams and love, are welcome here.

So, for our call to worship today, we are going to lean into invitation for connection. I want to invite you to take two minutes to introduce yourself to someone around you and to share one thing that has brought you deep joy this week so that we might begin our service with joy, gratitude, and connection...

*HYMN 330

*OFFERING OUR BROKENNESS TO GOD

Sometimes life feels like cooking with flour—it looks like it should be easy, but we always make a mess. This is particularly true when it comes to our relationships. We so desperately long to say the right thing, to be the right thing, to find the right solution, that we overstep the line. Forgive us for assuming the place you fill. Forgive us for imagining that we, in all our humanity, could possibly fix all the hurt in this world. Instead, give us the grace and the strength to stand by our loved ones in their moments of need to witness their hurt without trying to fix it. You are God. We are not. Teach us how to be a friend. Teach us how to ask, "What do you need?" Teach us how to point to you. Gratefully we pray. Amen.

[&]quot;Our Help Is in the Name of God"

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS AND SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

Friends, trust and believe in the good news!

Friends, in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also, with you!

"Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

FIRST READING Job 2:11-13 (pg. 393)

GOSPEL READING 2 Timothy 4:9-18 (pg. 968)

MESSAGE "What Do You Need" Rev. Tiffany Komasara

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in relationships. We believe in asking hard questions, in showing up for one another, and in sitting together through the pain. We believe in listening with grace, learning with curiosity, and apologizing with sincerity. We believe in asking for help, saying what we need, and trusting that no degree of vulnerability could strip us of God's love. We believe in trying our best and offering grace when our best is not enough. And we believe that God is in all relationships— modeling for us the value of community through the relationships of the Trinity. So, we love today, and we strive to love even more tomorrow. Let it be so. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory

Bill Gamble Graham/Lovland

"You Raise Me Up"

*Doxology 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

^{*}Sung Response 582

^{*} HYMN 803

[&]quot;My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

*Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, thank you for meeting our needs with abundance we cannot fully comprehend. Use us, we pray, and our humble offerings to bring food to the hungry; clean, safe water to the thirsty, clothes to the naked and shelter to the displaced.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"	
*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION	
*Please stand, if able	

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

- I. Call to order and declaration of quorum; appointment of tellers.
- II. Presentation of the Nominating Committee, election of elder.
- III. Adjourn

*HYMN 465

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

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Worship Leader: Jon Stephens

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Elder of the Month: Kevin Hicks

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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.

Worship Service Attendance: August 13, 2023 68

STAFF

Pastor: Tiffany Komasara

Music Coordinator: Mary Ann Stephens Office Manager: Jeanette Gonzalez Preschool Administrator: Mikie Bowles Financial Officer: Yang Wu

BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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WORSHIP IN THE CHAPEL

On Sunday, September 3, our regular 10a.m. worship service will take our "I've been meaning to ask..." theme deeper with an interactive worship service held in the Chapel. In place of the sermon, we will ask, listen and hold conversations in small groups prompted by questions inspired by our scriptures. What a great way to get to know each other on a deeper level and share the Lord's Supper in a more intimate setting. ~~Rev. Tiffany

CALENDAR AUGUST 2023

08/20) Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00am Worship Service in-person & live-streamed on Facebook.

After Service Congregational Meeting

08/21) Monday	08/22) Tuesday	08/23) Wednesday	08/24) Thursday
7:30pm Boy Scouts	7:30 AA	9:00am Quilters 111	7:30pm GA
	meeting	7:00pm-9:pm NA	
08/25) Friday	08/26) Saturday		
9:30 Stretch with Marlin			

08/27) Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00am Worship Service in-person & live-streamed on Facebook.



CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST

Date	Member:	Date	Member:
8/04	Jane Swinford	8/21	Fred Agler
8/05	Alex McCormick	8/21	Elias Osborne
8/08	Gilbert Morris	8/25	Katherine Frase
8/11	Seamus McCormick	8/26	Gus Hooley
8/16	Jennifer Hicks		
8/18	Jon Stephens		
8/20	Lamar Zigler		

Birthday Blessings to all!

(Please let Jeanette know if there are any birthdays missing)

























PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

Prayer asked from:	For:		
	Jim Parks began his new journey 8/11/2023. Pray for Grace and her family during this difficult time.		
	Pray for healing for our Financial officer, Yang Wu, she fell and broke her knee cap.		
Carol McFadden	Please pray for Alma Harding. She's the mother of one of my coworkers. She had a brain bleed and is in ICU.		
	Linda Mahoney. Prayers for healing		
	Teri Pierce. Prayers for healing		
Pat Nicholson	Daughter-in-law Deanna continues needing prayers for mouth		
	Sandy Ferguson, has six more weeks of treatment. Pray for healing.		
Sandy Ferguson	Daughter, Caitlin, recuperating from ACL knee surgery-Started PT and is improving		
Melissa & Michael Schmidt	Michael's sister, Caroline's cancer has returned.		
Kathie Bailey	Brother, Mike, has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer		
Jody Huggins	Daughter-in-law, Pam, who is recovering from back surgery.		
Leah Hanesworth	John Long is progressing well.		
	Ian Gilbert, was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma		
	Bill & Katy Frase continued health concerns		
Tim & Sue Harvey	Dear Friend, Walt, recently diagnosed with aggressive prostate cancer		
Tim & Sue Harvey	Dearest friend's daughter Devon has breast cancer		
Charmaine Hamilton	Fred Heald, friend, will be having another surgery on August 31.		
Leah Hanesworth	Friend, Molly Hughes, has an aggressive form of breast cancer. Also pray for Molly's mother, Bridge & Family		
Charmaine & Mike Hamilton	Granddaughter, Amelia Hamilton, who has Friedreich's Ataxia		
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		
Grace Parks	Tim Parks, (JGrace'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 Beaber	Willow Brook	Brita Knapp	home
Tom Hayes	The Forum-Assisted Living	Betty Sikking	Home
Norma Kibbey	Westminster-Thurber – Assisted Living		

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE 10 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the report of the church nominating committee and to elect an elder to fill a vacancy on Session. Voting members, please stay after worship.

PASTOR TIFFANY OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Tiffany is available to meet with you by appointment and can most likely be found at the church Monday - Thursday between 9:30 and 3 p.m. You can reach her at pastor@blvdchurch.org or (614) 596-1995 (cell/text).

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 in Honduras. 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 including 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. Please note Diamond Home in the memo line. If you have any questions please contact Allyson Engdahl erical73@yahoo.com

NNEMAP STATE FAIR PARKING VOLUNTEERS

A special recognition to the following volunteers from Boulevard who worked hard on a hot day parking car for fairgoers at the NNEMAP food pantry: Alania Engdahl, Casey Hock, Ken Frick, Shawn and Susan Ebert, Jon and Mary Ann Stephens, and Stephanie and Emina Osborne.

Thank you volunteers and Boulevard for being such a great partner of the NNEMAP food pantry. Marlin Cheyney

SAVE THE DATE!

Presbytery Youth Retreat: Saturday and Sunday, November 18 – 19, 2023 Camp Akita, Logan OH. Watch for Registration Late Summer. For info contact Rev. Steve Brand - SBrand@pts.edu

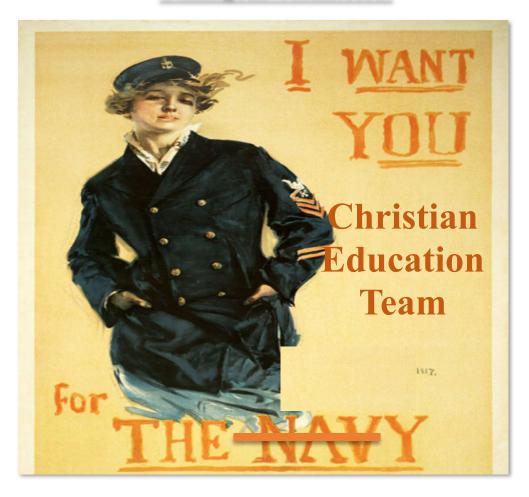
COFFEE HOUR HOSTING:

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

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. Sanctuary flowers are \$50.00

Calling All Volunteers!



The call is of

CRITICAL IMPORTANCE!

We, as members of Boulevard Presbyterian Church, make a SOLEMN PROMISE every time a child is baptized to help guide that young Christian on their faith journey. We need volunteers for the Christian Education Team to fulfill the promises we made to our youth.

This year, we will be offering two levels of Christian Education for our youth: Elementary (K-4) and Middle School (5-8). High School students will be invited to join the adult class.

We need primary teachers and assistant teachers for the youth classes. Whether you can volunteer once a week, once a month, or quarterly,

YOU WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Will you answer THE GREAT CALL? If you will rise to the occasion and serve the youth of our congregation, please alert a Recruitment Officer (aka, Jill, Charmaine or Alaina) or indicate your willingness in the pew pad.

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We are HIRING at Boulevard

Boulevard Preschool is looking for energetic and caring individuals to join our team!

Part-time Teacher's Assistant position. Must be available Monday through Friday 7:30-9:30 a.m. and/or 3:15-5:30 p.m. and pass a BCI/FBI background check. Position has weekends and holidays off. Must be 16 years of age or older. The afternoon shift would be a perfect afterschool job for high school-age students with childcare experience! Please reach out to Tyler, fullday@blvdchurch.org or Melissa, partday@blvdchurch.org.

