



“Who Is Your Lord and Savior?”

BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Service of Worship

November 12, 2023

PRELUDE

“All Things Bright and Beautiful” (Tune: Spohr)
“How Firm a Foundation”

Bell Choir
Bob and David Burroughs
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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Give ear, O people, to my teachings. Incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

We open our lips in parables; we utter dark sayings from of old.

These are things we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

We will not hide them from our children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord.

*HYMN 408

“There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, your way for us is clear: We are to live so that the manner of our lives speaks of your goodness, your generosity, your infinite mercy. Too often, though, we forget the purposes for which you made us. Too often, when we might meet inhumanity with the reflection of your goodness, we turn aside. We return unkindness for unkindness. We cling to what might be shared. We avoid those who are not like us. We fail to give grace in the measure we have received it. Forgive us, we pray. Remind us that your goodness is enduring, and your mercy is everlasting, for we pray all these things in the name of our savior, Jesus Christ...

(Time of silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Ephesians 2:8-10)

By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing: it is the gift of God, not the result of works, so that no one might boast.

For we are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Believe the promise of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you!

And also, with you!

*HYMN OF GLORY 643

"Now Thank We All Our God" stanza 3

**All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven, to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given;
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore, the God who was, and is, and shall be ever more.**

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

"Who Do You Believe In?"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Kings 18:17-19; 20-39 (pg. 283)

This is the word of the Lord, for which we say:

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

"In Whom Do You Trust?"

Pastor Tiffany Komasa

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Nancy Human, William Gamble, Janice Minton

Scripture Reading Ephesians 4:4-6

Ruling Elder Alex McCormick

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling,

**One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and
through all and in all.**

Reaffirmation of Faith (for new members)

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world? **I do.**

Who is your Lord and Savior? **Jesus Christ.**

Will you continue to be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love?

I will, with God's help.

Affirmation of Faith (Nicene Creed)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is
seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OFFERTORY

"Where Could I Go But to The Lord?"

written by James B. Coats

*HYMN OF THANKS 643

"Now Thank We All Our God" stanzas 1-2

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 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.

*SENDING HYMN 465

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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Worship Leader: Stefanie Osborne

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Elder of the Month: Linda Wilton

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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.

Worship Service Attendance: November 5, 2023: 70

**STAFF**

Pastor: Tiffany Komasa

Music Coordinator: Mary Ann Stephens Office Manager: Jeanette Gonzalez

Preschool Administrator: Mikie Bowles Financial Officer: Yang Wu

**BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**PASTOR TIFFANY OFFICE HOURS**

Pastor Tiffany is available to meet with you by appointment and can most likely be found at the church Tuesday – Thursday between 9:30a.m. and 3:00p.m. You can reach her at [pastor@blvdchurch.org](mailto:pastor@blvdchurch.org) or (614) 596-1995 (cell/text).

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Whether you are a lifelong Presbyterian or new to the faith, you belong here! Membership is open to those who profess faith in Christ and opens the door for deeper relationships with this congregation. If you have questions about membership or wish to formalize your connection to this congregation, please contact Pastor Tiffany: pastor@blvdchurch.org.

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**FLOWERS (FOR SANCTUARY)**

At this time, we are no longer having weekly fresh flowers in our Sanctuary. If you wish to place a special order for flowers to dedicate, please let Jeanette know in advance so that she can order them. The price will remain the same \$50.00

**COMMUNION FOR OUR HOME BOUND MEMBERS**

Please prayerfully consider being a part of this ministry. Two people will team up to go to our home bound members to serve communion and visit with them. If this is something you haven't tried before, please consider going out in this very safe environment and trying something new. If you are a beginner at this, you will be paired with an experienced server. Please contact Kim Welter, [kwelter.200@gmail.com](mailto:kwelter.200@gmail.com)~419-410-0156, to be a part of this very special ministry

**COFFEE HOUR HOSTING NEEDED**

Looking for a way to volunteer? No long-term commitment needed! Make coffee AND / OR provide goodies on Sunday. Sign up for a single Sunday or multiple Sundays. There is a sign-up sheet in the kitchenette.

## CALENDAR NOVEMBER 2023

### 11/12) 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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

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| <b>11/13) Monday</b><br>7:30pm Boy Scouts              | <b>11/14) Tuesday</b><br>7:00pm EDG Meeting<br>7:30 AA | <b>11/15) Wednesday</b><br>9:30am Quilters 111<br>6:45pm Bell Rehearsal<br>7:00pm-9:pm NA | <b>11/16) Thursday</b><br>7:15pm Chancel Choir<br>7:30pm GA |
| <b>11/17) Friday</b><br>Stretch with Marlin<br>Cheyney | <b>11/18) Saturday</b>                                 |                                                                                           |                                                             |

### 11/19) 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday

9:00am Worship Leader Roundtable.

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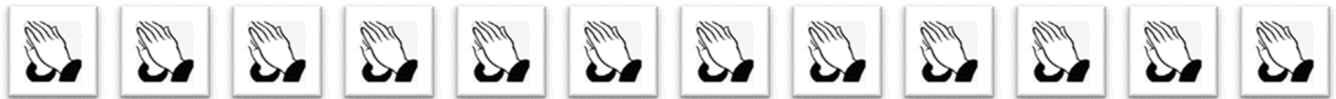
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## CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER

| Date: | Member:        | Date: | Member:           |
|-------|----------------|-------|-------------------|
| 11/1  | Betty Sikking  | 11/8  | Melissa Schauss   |
| 11/2  | Nancy Wentzel  | 11/14 | Mary Ann Stephens |
| 11/3  | Jordan Briggs  | 11/18 | Jan Plas          |
| 11/3  | Pat Nicholson  | 11/19 | Vivian Zigler     |
| 11/3  | Krissy Schafer | 11/24 | Beverly Schmidt   |
| 11/4  | Glenn Beaber   | 11/30 | Wyatt Schmitz     |
| 11/6  | Annie Frick    |       |                   |



## PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

| Prayer asked from:                               | For:                                                                                                                                                 |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                  | Grace Parks: Pray for healing.                                                                                                                       |
|                                                  | Sandy Ferguson: Prayers of thanksgiving and gratitude for support.                                                                                   |
| Michael and Charmaine Hamilton                   | Friend: Karla Holton medical issues and cancer. Healing Prayers                                                                                      |
| Jeanette Gonzalez                                | Son-in-law Lehi Miranda & Family for his Brother Ammon: Pray for healing. Dealing with TBI for twenty years and not doing well.                      |
|                                                  | Bill Gamble: Prayers for healing.                                                                                                                    |
| Jane Conner                                      | Prayers for Jane's brother Doug who had heart surgery Nov 1.                                                                                         |
| Shane & Jessica Sigman<br>(our cleaning service) | Jessica's mom, Chris Ayres, is not doing well after surgery October 19. Prayers for healing.                                                         |
|                                                  | Liz Harzoff: Mike Eberle's wife. Prayers of strength and hope.                                                                                       |
|                                                  | Jill Hooley: Prayers for healing following surgery on October 11.                                                                                    |
|                                                  | Katie Frase: Grandson, Ryan, (parents are David & Lisa). Home from the hospital. Prayers for healing.                                                |
|                                                  | Carol Agler: Prayers for continued healing following mastectomy with reconstruction on August 22.                                                    |
|                                                  | Dave Grimm: medical issues. Prayers for healing.                                                                                                     |
| Leah Hanesworth                                  | Pray for healing for Leah's neighbors and friends, Berniece (colon cancer), and John (cancer of the mouth).                                          |
| Carol McFadden                                   | Alma Harding, mother of one of Carol's co-workers: After her brain bleed Alma is now in a retirement center with her family around her.              |
| Pat Nicholson                                    | Prayers for Granddaughter Stephanie and husband Corey Sander: Corey's brain cancer has returned and is near his speech center causing complications. |
| Melissa and Michael Schmidt                      | Michael's sister: Caroline, cancer has returned.                                                                                                     |
| Kathie Bailey                                    | Brother Mike: pancreatic cancer.                                                                                                                     |
| Tim and Sue Harvey                               | Dear friend Walt: recently diagnosed with aggressive prostate cancer.                                                                                |
| Tim and Sue Harvey                               | Dearest friend's daughter, Devon: breast cancer.                                                                                                     |
| Charmaine and Michael Hamilton                   | Friend Fred Heald: Continued healing prayer.                                                                                                         |
| Charmaine and Mike Hamilton                      | Granddaughter Amelia Hamilton: has Friedreich's Ataxia.                                                                                              |
| Bonnie Grimm                                     | Bonnie's cousin's husband, John Odum: has Parkinson's Disease.                                                                                       |
| Charmaine Hamilton                               | Brother, Spencer Schalip: medical concerns.                                                                                                          |
| Grace Parks                                      | Tim Parks, Grace's brother: Parkinson's disease.                                                                                                     |
| Mikie Bowles                                     | Brother, Tim McLane: has health issues.                                                                                                              |
|                                                  | Terry McFadden: in Allen Oakwood Correctional Facility.                                                                                              |

## 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 | Bill and Katy Frase: | Home |

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### **CHURCH CHAIRS:**

Did you know: that the chairs with arms located in the lounge were purchased in November of 1992? Thanks to Jane, Mac and Diane for bringing life back to them. Check them out in the lounge.

### **CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY CARE PACKAGES**

Today is our Second Sunday collecting food for the Community Care Packages. We are collecting canned vegetables and canned fruit. The schedule for the remaining weeks is as follows:

November 19 – Dried Lentils (preferably red)

November 26 - Instant Potatoes

December 3 – Canned Soup & Saltine Crackers

December 10 – Black or Baked Beans (No Pork) or any food items from the previous weeks

Please deliver all donations to Fellowship Hall and place them on the table marked “CHRISTMAS BOX DONATIONS.” Or if doing so is difficult for you, please put them in the wooden box by the mission bulletin board in the lounge and we will move them to Fellowship Hall. Monetary donations are also welcome if that is easier. Please mark your check “Christmas boxes” and place it in the offering or drop it off at the church office. Thank you so much for supporting this important ministry. If you have any questions, don’t hesitate to contact Jane Swinford at [swinfordjane@gmail.com](mailto:swinfordjane@gmail.com).

## **ADVENT "Out of Darkness There Came a Great Light"**

Advent begins December 4th, and in keeping with a years-long tradition, Boulevard is producing a devotional written entirely by Boulevard members and staff. Hopefully your writings are progressing as the **deadline for submissions is Tomorrow, November 13**. Please send to both Kyme Rennick [kwrennick@earthlink.net](mailto:kwrennick@earthlink.net) and [office@blvd.org](mailto:office@blvd.org) to ensure the devotionals are available by the first Sunday in Advent.

## **THE CAP CITY HELPING HANDS**

The Cap City Helping Hands coat drive is well underway. More than 1490 coats have been distributed to Columbus City Schools. There is still time to donate coats, however. Place them in the box in the lounge labeled "CCHH coats" and I will see to it that they go wherever they are most needed. Steve Hills

## **WORSHIP LEADER ROUNDTABLE**

The next Worship Leader Roundtable will be held November 19 in the Sanctuary at 9 a.m. All people regardless of age or ability are invited to serve as Worship Leaders! Please consider adding your voice to our current roster of worship leaders as we come together to get comfortable with our microphones and sound system, explore ways to make worship leadership more inclusive and think about how to engage one another during worship. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the lounge if you plan to attend. Current Worship Leaders are encouraged to attend in order to help new comers and refresh your comfort level with the microphones.

## **12TH ANNUAL BENEFIT CONCERT FOR NNEMAP FOOD PANTRY**

On Friday, November 17th, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. the annual **Harmony for Hunger concert** benefiting NNEMAP Food Pantry will be held at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2151 Dorset Road in Upper Arlington featuring the Ohio State Glee Clubs, OSU Chorale, and soloists, quartets, and instrumental artists from supporting churches. This year's event is hosted by Yolanda Harris, from WBNS News. Tickets are \$25 at the door or for prepaid tickets see Marlin Cheyney.

## **CHURCH'S FACEBOOK**

The church's formal Facebook page (called Boulevard Presbyterian Church) currently has 154 followers. The Church's Facebook Group page (called Boulevard Pres Church Group) has 206 members. Consider joining these social media pages to stay more informed about happenings and events. Thank you ~ Mac Swinford.

## **GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS CUB SCOUT PACK 28 AND BOY SCOUT TROOP 73**

- Here's an opportunity to support our Scouts. You could split a fruit with someone or provide a monetary donation. I know firsthand the leadership is amazing.
- Questions – ask Charmaine and I can pick up your fruit for you.
- Grandview Heights Cub Scout Pack 28 and Boy Scout Troop 73 are selling fresh fruit from Florida. Order between **Oct 6-Dec 10** for shipped to you or someone else delivery. The fruits will be delivered between Thanksgiving and Christmas; picked, packed and shipped for ripeness. This scrumptious fruit makes a wonderful gift to family and friends. Florida Indian River Groves offers a 100% satisfaction guarantee on all their fruit. If your order does not arrive fresh and perfect or if you or your recipients are not totally satisfied, they will make it right!!! How amazing is that! Thank you for supporting the Grandview Heights Scouting Program.
- To place your order online, simply copy and paste this link below to your browser.
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- Thank you!