



THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Wandering Heart: "Teach me"

MATTHEW 18:15-22 | PSALM 119:9-16

10:00am Worship Service

March 10th, 2024

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

POEM

"Teach Me" by Rev. Sarah Speed

Merri Bame

Teach Me
Teach me about the ways of the wind,
about the ways of the world,
about the ways of the heart.
Teach me about the soft crook of my lover's arm,
and the way two souls can hold each other close.
Teach me about forgiveness, about the language of I'm sorry
and the softness of sincerity.
Teach me about abundance, about seventy-times-seven
and all the days of my life.
Teach me about joy, about its contagious weaving
and its soul-healing.
Teach me about mercy, about open hands and deep breaths.
Teach me about the dawn of time and the stars in the sky.
Teach me what matters most.
Teach me what is mine to do.
Teach this achingly curious heart
until I run out of questions
or I run out of days.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
and I will have a life well-lived.

PRELUDE

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Mike Eberle

CALL TO WORSHIP

Why are you here?

**I am seeking God with my whole heart,
with my entire mind,
with a fire burning in my bones.**

I see it! You're in the right place!

This is God's house. The door is open to you.

Why are you here?

I am seeking God with my whole heart,
with my entire mind,
with a fire burning in my bones.

We see that in you! You're in the right place.

This is God's house. The door is open to you.

Let us worship God.

Let us learn from the Spirit. Amen!

**Let the glory of the Lord rise among us,
Let the glory of the Lord rise among us
Let the praises of the King rise among us
let it rise**

**Let the songs of the Lord rise among us
Let the songs of the Lord rise among us
Let the joy of the King rise among us
let it rise**

Oh - oh - oh, let it rise

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(after the hymn, you may stand, sit or kneel)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we long to be lifelong learners.

We long to approach you with curiosity and an open mind. Instead, we often live as if we know best.

We forget that the disciples called you “Rabbi, Teacher.”

Forgive us for the times when we fail to be curious.

Forgive us for the times when we assume we know best.

Forgive us for the moments when we imagine that our learning is done and that we have all the answers.

Like Peter—who was brave enough to ask, “How many times should we forgive?” —make us brave.

Spark a desire in us to learn, and may our curiosity carry our faith into deeper waters.

With hope and humility, we pray, amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, whether you speak to God in a whisper or with clear conviction, with questions or with answers, with hope in your heart or with doubt in your throat—God will *always* listen with love and mercy. So rest in this good news: regardless of how loudly you live your faith—you belong to God. You are loved. You are claimed. You are forgiven. Speak *that* good news with confidence. Amen.

SHARING CHRIST’S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you! **And also, with you.**

HYMN 658 “God is So Good”

(please be seated after the hymn)

CHILDREN'S HYMN 658 “God Is So Good”

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 119:9-16 (The Message Bible)

GOSPEL READING Matthew 18:15-22 (pg. 799)

SONG

“Angel, Teach Me to Love”

based on “Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child”

by Harry Burleigh and Earl Brown, with original lyrics by Merri Bame and music by Merri Bame and Tiffany Komasara © 2024.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

God, we thank you for your grace; for the abundance of love you pour into our lives and this world. We take this time to dedicate ourselves to your will and your way, knowing that our material possessions are only a token of what we owe to you. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAYER 469 “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

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.

CLOSING HYMN

“I Come To You”

Tune - WAYFARING STRANGER,

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**I come to you, the lost and scattered,
I come to you, the smug and strong,
I come to you, the souls ungathered,
Now come to me, learn you belong.**

**Leave all you’ve done, I am forgiving,
Leave all you’ve known to come and see
Leave all you’ve owned, you’re just beginning
Leave all you’ve been and follow me.**

**I come to you, the disregarded,
I come to you, the scarred and shamed,
I come to you, the broken-hearted,
Now come to me and be reclaimed.**

**Leave all you’ve done, I am forgiving,
Leave all you’ve known to come and see
Leave all you’ve owned, you’re just beginning
Leave all you’ve been and follow me.**

**I know dark clouds will gather 'round me
I know my way is hard and steep
But beautiful fields arise before me
Where God's redeemed, their vigils keep**

**I'm going there to see my mother
She said she'd meet me when I come
So, I'm just going over Jordan
I'm just going over home**

**I come to you, the false and failing,
I come to you, the wild and worn,
I come to you, the wronged and railing,
Now come to me, and be reborn.
Now come to me, and be reborn!**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "I Come To You" (reprise)

Today's liturgy from "Wandering Heart" by Rev. Sarah Are Speed, A Sanctified Art LLC © 2023.

Worship Leader: Melissa Schmidt; 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: March 10, 64 2024 – 64

Wednesday Chapel Meditation Attendance: March 6, 2024 - 16

STAFF

Pastor: Rev. 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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FINANCIAL REPORT

Below is a copy of the Financial Report for Boulevard Presbyterian Church for the period ended January 31, 2024. The net expense for January was \$(603.47).

Summary for January 2024

	Month of January	January Budget	2024 Actual Year-to-Date	2024 Budget Year-to-Date	2024 Total Budget
Total Revenue	24,345.25		24,345.25		
Total Expenditures	24,948.72		24,948.72		
Net Revenue Over Expense	(603.47)		(603.47)		
January 2023 Comparison					
	Month of January	January Budget	2023 Actual Year-to-Date	2023 Budget Year-to-Date	2023 Total Budget
Total Revenue	26,821.03	18,948.00	26,821.03	18,948.00	227,377.00
Total Expenditures	20,620.36	25,885.00	20,620.36	25,885.00	321,377.00
Net Revenue Over Expense	6,200.67	(6,937.00)	6,200.67	(6,937.00)	(94,000.00)

THIS WEEK AT BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

03/10 Sunday in Chapel

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

Ages 4 -7 **We Wonder** attend 10 a.m. worship through the Children's Message, then meet in the window room off of the nursery for **"The Wandering Heart"**.

K-3 grades - **"The Wandering Heart"** - meet at 11:15 on the 3rd floor with Miss Katie and Miss Martha

4-8 grades - **"Connect"**

Adults and grades 9-12 meet at 11:15 in the Chapel. **Grace by Max Lucado** taught by Kathie Bailey. One may attend any Sunday that works in their schedule. This is a 6-week Lent curriculum.

03/11) Monday
6:30pm Boy scouts

03/12) Tuesday
7:00pm EDG
7:30 AA
Meeting

03/13) Wednesday
9:30am Quilters
6:00pm Soup/Salad dinner in lounge
7:00pm Lenten Service in Chapel
7:00pm NA

03/014) Thursday
7:15pm Chancel Choir

3/15) Friday

3/16) Saturday

03/17) Sunday

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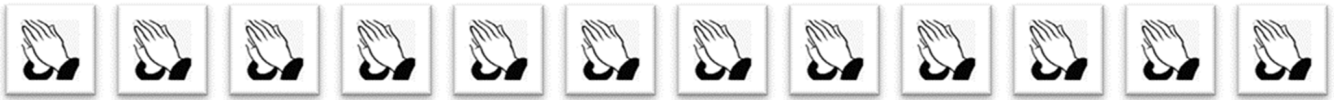


CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS MARCH

Date:	Member:	Date:	Member:
3/1	Conner McCormick	3/14	Mac Swinford
3/2	Pat Rieve	3/14	Sean McCormick
3/5	Hollie Briggs	3/18	Kathy Chaffin
3/6	Emina Osborne	3/18	Carolyn Williams
3/7	Nancy Human	3/19	Brian Zigler
3/9	Ginny Achtermann	3/20	Bill Bell
3/10	Steve Hills	3/24	Mikie Bowles
3/13	Harvey Murdick	3/26	Emmy Williamson
3/13	William Murdick	3/26	Travis Williamson
3/13	Grant Hamilton	3/29	Spencer Murdick
		3/30	Dave Grim

Birthday Blessings to all.

If you find that there is error, or someone's birthday is missing, please contact the office.



PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

Prayer asked from:	For:
	Pat Nicholson: prayers for healing and comfort
	Mark Key: prayers for healing.
	Bill and Kathy Frase: Bill was recently admitted into the hospital. Prayers for healing
Kyme Rennick	Sister Wendy: prayers for healing.
	Michael Hamilton: healing Prayers as he undergoes radiation treatment for prostate cancer.
	Kathy Chaffin: continued prayers for healing of eyes and vision.
Grace Parks	Cousin Julie Bottomley: aggressive stage IV sarcoma. Brother Tim: Parkinson's disease.
Michael and Charmaine Hamilton	Friend, Karla Holton: medical issues and cancer. Healing Prayers.
	Jill Hooley: prayers for Healing
	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: healing for Corey's brain cancer.
Melissa and Michael Schmidt	Michael's sister, Caroline: cancer has returned.
Kathie Bailey	Brother Mike: pancreatic cancer.
Tim and Sue Harvey	Dear friend Walt: Aggressive prostate cancer; dearest friend's daughter, Devon: breast cancer.
Charmaine and Michael Hamilton	Granddaughter Amelia Hamilton: has Friedreich's Ataxia. Charmaine's brother, Spencer: medical concerns; Friend Fred Heald: Continued healing prayer. Recuperating from heart surgery.
Bonnie Grimm	Bonnie's cousin's husband, John Odum: has Parkinson's Disease.
	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
Mary Ann Stockum	Ohio Living Westminster Thurber Assistant living.	Bill and Katy Frase	Home

CHURCH'S FACEBOOK

The church's formal Facebook page (called Boulevard Presbyterian Church and includes our livestream) 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.

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. We are now ordering our flowers from Green, A Floral Design Studio.

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. Email: Office@blvdchurch.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Our mission focus for the Lenten season is One Great Hour of Sharing. One Great Hour of Sharing is one of four annual churchwide special offerings of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together to work for a better world. Additionally, since the Per Capita assessment paid by individual Presbyterians helps to cover overhead expenses, 100% of all funds collected from One Great Hour of Sharing go to the following programs:

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

Works alongside communities as they recover and find hope after the devastation of natural or human-caused disasters and provides support for refugees.

PRESBYTERIAN HUNGER PROGRAM

Takes action to alleviate hunger, care for creation and addresses the systemic causes of poverty so all may be fed.

SELF-DEVELOPMENT OF PEOPLE

Partners with communities responding to their experiences of oppression, poverty and injustice and educates Presbyterians about the impact of these issues.

During the Lenten Season, please take time to reflect on the ways in which you can participate in caring for God's people. If you wish to donate to this special offering, please note One Great Hour of Sharing on the memo line of your check. Checks can be placed in the offering plate or mailed to/dropped off at the church Office.

ZIPLINING WITH PRESBYTERY YOUTH

On April 20, 6th - 12th graders are invited to go ziplining in Hocking Hills with other Middle and High School youth from our Presbytery. Endowment funds are being requested so that the cost is just \$20 per participant and includes lunch. Friends are welcome! See Pastor Tiffany for more information.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

Every Wednesday at 6 p.m. We'll gather in the lounge for a simple meal of soup, salad and bread, followed by a Lenten Meditation featuring music, art and poetry from the "Wandering Heart" worship series at 7. Sign-up sheets are in the lounge, or call the church office, to volunteer to bring food.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

March 20 is our last Wednesday Soup Supper. Maundy Thursday March 28 – worship with communion at 7pm in the Chapel. Good Friday March 29 – Stations of Peter in the Sanctuary from 12-1pm. Easter Sunday March 31 worship at 10am followed by activity and egg hunt for the kids

NURSERY HELPERS NEEDED

Please contact Pastor Tiffany if you are willing to serve in our church nursery on Sunday mornings. Training on our child and youth safety policy will be provided. All volunteers must be background checked.

PER CAPITA BEING COLLECTED NOW

Per Capita is the Presbyterian way of supporting the people who support our churches - our Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly. 2024 Per Capita is \$40 per person. Please submit your payment using the *per capita* envelope provided in your giving envelope box, or simply write "Per Capita" in the memo line of your check.

DEACONS

Offering can also be made at any time using the Deacon's envelopes provided with your 2024 pledge envelopes, or by writing "Deacons" on the memo line of your check.