



THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Wandering Heart: "Praise the mount"

MATTHEW 16:13-20 | PSALM 19

10:00am Worship Service

March 3rd, 2024

PRELUDE

"God's Glory Fills the Heavens" (tune: St. Patrick's Breastplate)
Pastorale on "The Humble Heart" (Shaker Tune)

John Hebden Schaffner
Setting by Andrew Clarke

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (Inspired by *Psalm 19*)

If you ask the sky who God is,

the sky will tell you of God's reach.

If you ask the day who God is,

the sun will tell you of God's warmth.

If you ask the night who God is,

the moon will tell you of God's comfort.

"The heavens are telling the glory of God" (Psalm 19:1). Are you listening?

We are listening!

We will sing of God's glory.

Let us worship Holy God.

OPENING HYMN "690 God's Glory Fills the Heavens" verses 1 and 2
(after the hymn, you may stand, sit or kneel)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, some days, we are quick to declare your goodness. Like Peter, we see you in our midst and we are confident in our faith. Other days, we are distracted and uncertain, desperate for answers. Forgive us for losing sight of you.

Some days we are quick to trust your blessings—trusting that we are called, that we can make a difference. Other days, our praise falls silent and doubt creeps in. Forgive us for losing sight of ourselves.

We know that fear and doubt are part of the journey of faith. But for the days when we are far from you and far from ourselves, we ask for your tender grace. Pull us closer toward you. Remind us of the mountaintop moments of our faith. 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 690 "God's Glory Fills the Heavens" verse 3
(please be seated after the hymn)

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 19:7-14 (pg. 473)

GOSPEL READING Matthew 16:13-20 (pg. 798)

POEM

"Praise the Mount"

I have stayed quiet before.
I have held my tongue
while passing mountains.
I have slipped my hands deep into pockets,
despite the music that invites me to dance.

I have glimpsed a new moon and a new love
and have acted as if it was something other than a complete, God-given miracle. But not today.

Not today.

Today I will dance.

Today I will tap my toes all the way to heaven's gates.
Today I will point out every shade of gold and periwinkle that we pass.
Today I will talk about my faith like we talk about the weather—early and unprompted,
comfortable and unashamed.

Today I will tell you that God did such a good job with freckles, willow trees, and your entire
being.

And I will not be embarrassed by my own conviction.
I will not swallow my praise.
I have stayed quiet before,
but not today.

Today I will sing.

MESSAGE

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (see insert)

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“The Humble Heart”

Clarke

(please rise as the offering is brought forward)

HYMN OF THANKS 475 “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” verse 1

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

Gracious God, take what we offer today, imperfectly though it may be given, and use it and our very lives for the salvation of your creation, according to your will. In Jesus’ name; amen.

THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 God thanks and praise.**

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

Lord Jesus, you have filled us with your meal of love and grace. You have asked, “who am I,” and now we know. You are the hand reaching out in the storm, the voice of truth spoken over us, love without walls. You are justice for the weary, healing for the hurt, and welcome for the stranger. You are teacher, Messiah, and friend— with us on the mountain tops and besides us in the valleys. May we go out and bind your love to the entire world.

CLOSING HYMN 649 “Amazing Grace” verses 1, 3 and 4

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Today’s liturgy from “Wandering Heart” by Rev. Sarah Are Speed, A Sanctified Art LLC © 2023; communion liturgy based on “God Calls Us” published at enfleshed.com/ communion-liturgies

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*Congratulations to Michael and Liz Eberle on the birth of their second grandchild, "Maggie".  
Maggie's parents are Max Eberle, mother Ruth Lang, and her big brother Malcolm Eberle.*

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Worship Leader: Bill Gamble; 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: February 25, 2024 – 56

Wednesday Chapel Meditation Attendance: February 28, 2024 – 12

**STAFF**

Pastor: Rev. Tiffany Komasa

Music Coordinator: Mary Ann Stephens    Office Manager: Jeanette Gonzalez

Preschool Administrator: Mikie Bowles    Financial Officer: Yang Wu

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## THIS WEEK AT BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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| <p><b>03/03 Sunday</b><br/>                 10:00am Worship Service in-person &amp; live-streamed on Facebook<br/>                 Ages 4 -7 <b>We Wonder</b> attend 10 a.m. worship through the Children's Message, then meet in the window room off of the nursery for <b>"The Wandering Heart"</b>.<br/>                 K-3 grades - <b>"The Wandering Heart"</b> - meet at 11:15 on the 3rd floor with Miss Katie and Miss Martha<br/>                 4-8 grades - <b>"Connect"</b><br/>                 Adults and grades 9-12 meet at 11:15 in the Chapel. <b>Grace by Max Lucado</b> taught by Kathie Bailey.<br/>                 One may attend any Sunday that works in their schedule. This is a 6-week Lent curriculum.</p> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                         |
| <p><b>03/04) Monday</b><br/>                 6:30pm Boy scouts</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <p><b>03/05) Tuesday</b><br/>                 7:00pm EDG<br/>                 7:30 AA</p>                                                                                                                                      | <p><b>03/06) Wednesday</b><br/>                 9:30am Quilters<br/>                 6:15pm Cub Scouts Pack 28<br/>                 6:30pm Soup/Salad dinner in lounge<br/>                 7:00pm Lenten Service in Chapel<br/>                                   Lent IV Meditation<br/>                 7:00pm NA</p> | <p><b>03/07) Thursday</b><br/>                 7:15pm Chancel Choir</p> |
| <p><b>3/08) Friday</b><br/>                 9:30pm Stretch with Marlin</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p><b>3/09) Saturday</b><br/>                 5:15pm Dinner reservation at Cap City on Olentangy River prior to show.<br/>                 7:30pm Intergenerational Outing: "The Sound of Music" at Grandview High School.</p> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                         |
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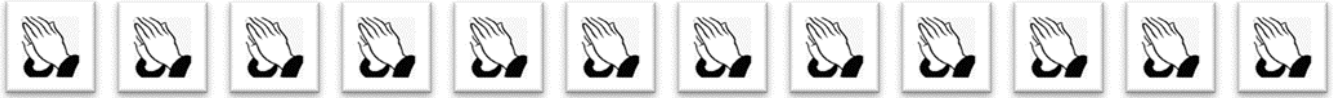


### CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS MARCH

| 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   |

*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.                                                                                                                                                        |
| Kyme Rennick                   | Sister Wendy: prayers for healing.                                                                                                                                                    |
|                                | Michael Hamilton: prayers for continued healing                                                                                                                                       |
| Grace Parks                    | Cousin Julie Bottomley: Recently diagnosed with 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: recently diagnosed with 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](mailto:Office@blvdchurch.org)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

Every Wednesday at 6p.m thru March 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

### NOT YOUR MOTHER'S CHURCH YOUTH GROUP

The Youth have spoken, and it seems that right after church on Sundays is a busy, busy time for our students! Youth are invited to stay for fellowship or join an adult faith development class, and will be invited to monthly gatherings - for March, our intergenerational outing to see "Sound of Music" on March 9 (see below), and on April 20, we're invited to go ziplining in Hocking Hills with other Middle and High School youth from our Presbytery. See Pastor Tiffany for more information.

**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** 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 envelope provided in today's bulletin or 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.

### INTERGENERATIONAL OUTING **Mark your calendar!**

The hills are alive with "The Sound of Music" presented by the Grandview High School Saturday, March 9. Performance begins at 7:30 pm in the newly renovated high school auditorium. We will go out to dinner prior to the musical – time and place to be determined – details to come. Youth are invited to bring one friend. Their tickets and dinner will be covered by the Theater Fund.

### OUR BOOKS

(PLEASE READ PRIOR TO TAKING BOOKS, ETC. ON THE TABLES ONLY)

- **Items to be taken are located on and under the tables next to the wall and under the TV.**
- **The books located on the shelves in the lounge and conference room/library are not included in the donations of "FREE" books/items. They may be checked out and must be RETURNED.**
- All items selected must leave the church. We are trying to tidy the church, and do not want any returned.
- Researched articles of VHS tapes for selling. One must have rare ones to bring any value.
- Miscellaneous children's craft kits. Take what you can use.
- We will add to the tables as time permits, but most of the donations have already been placed in the lounge.
- Many of the books in the boxes located under the tables were left from the last rummage sale.
- The items on the tables are available through Sunday, March 10. We will open this opportunity to our anonymous members after February 25.
- Books remaining will be boxed and taken to Half Price Books store. If there are Bibles remaining, I may have someone who wants them.
- Please reach out to me if you have any questions.

Thank you, Charmaine 614-579-0622 call/text

**BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION and 2024 BUDGET Approved 2/27/2024**

|                                     |                |  |             |              |                           |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|--|-------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| Cash & Investment Accounts          | 398,811.41     |  |             |              |                           |
| Cash Accounts for Special Gifts     | 509,407.39     |  |             |              |                           |
| Endowment Cash & Investments        | 480,974.89     |  |             |              |                           |
| Annuity Gift                        | 57,039.05      |  |             |              |                           |
| Klitch Fund                         | 3,670.37       |  |             |              |                           |
|                                     | 1,449,903.11   |  |             |              |                           |
| Accounts Payable                    | 648.74         |  |             |              |                           |
| Prior Year Retained Earnings        | 159,532.20     |  |             |              |                           |
| Current Year Net Income/Loss        | (25,806.06)    |  |             |              |                           |
| Endowment Fund Balance              | 480,242.65     |  |             |              |                           |
| Board Designated Funds              | 835,285.58     |  |             |              |                           |
|                                     | 1,449,903.11   |  |             |              |                           |
|                                     |                |  | <b>2023</b> | <b>2024</b>  |                           |
| <b>General Fund Income/Loss</b>     | Actual-to date |  | Budget      | Budget       |                           |
| Pledges and Paid not Pledged Income | 272,412.48     |  | 219,577.00  | 217,600.00   |                           |
| Building Use from Various Groups    | 8,524.00       |  | 7,800.00    | 7,800.00     |                           |
| Miscellaneous Income                | 717.45         |  | -           | 200.00       |                           |
| Per Capita paid by members          |                |  |             | 3,300.00     |                           |
|                                     | 281,653.93     |  | 227,377.00  | 228,900.00   |                           |
| Personnel Expenses                  | 179,235.17     |  | 189,917.00  | 233,000.00   |                           |
| Finance Expenses                    | 17,975.80      |  | 12,400.00   | 26,720.00    | *includes full per capita |
| Worship Expenses                    | 5,499.92       |  | 5,500.00    | 6,000.00     |                           |
| Faith Development Expenses          | 1,197.33       |  | 2,400.00    | 1,825.00     |                           |
| Outreach Expenses                   | 2,501.62       |  | 9,340.00    | 3,170.00     |                           |
| Property Expenses                   | 72,877.99      |  | 68,820.00   | 66,520.00    |                           |
| Mission Expenses                    | 21,799.89      |  | 22,600.00   | 23,100.00    |                           |
| Pastor Nominating Expenses          | 6,372.27       |  | 5,000.00    | -            |                           |
|                                     | 307,459.99     |  | 315,977.00  | 360,335.00   |                           |
| Net Income/Loss                     | (25,806.06)    |  | (88,600.00) | (131,435.00) |                           |

**There is a prior year surplus that can be used totaling \$133,726.14 at the end of 2023.**



**CALLED MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION  
OF BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
Sunday, May 3, 2024 during 10 a.m. Worship**

- I. Call to Order - Moderator Tiffany Komasa
- II. Declaration of a Quorum
- III. Presentation of 2024 Budget as Approved by

Session Stewardship Campaign Pledged Giving final:

\$152,600 Operating Budget Summary as of January

|                                | Month of<br>January | January<br>Budget | 2024 Actual<br>Year-to-Date | 2024 Budget<br>Year-to-Date | 2024 Total<br>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)                    |                             |                      |
| <b>January 2023 Comparison</b> |                     |                   |                             |                             |                      |
|                                | Month of<br>January | January<br>Budget | 2023 Actual<br>Year-to-Date | 2023 Budget<br>Year-to-Date | 2023 Total<br>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)          |

- IV. Election of Member at Large to Nominating Committee

*Kathie Bailey has accepted nomination; other nominations from the floor?*

- V. Motion to Permit Session to Approve Congregational Meeting Minutes
- VI. Adjourn