



*“I am the vine, you are
the branches.”*

10:00am Worship Service

Grinstead Chapel

April 28th, 2024

PRELUDE

“Bright and Beautiful”
Diane Cattran, flute; Mary Ann Stephens, piano

Arr. Mark Hayes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and sit with me; we shall study the Word.

Together we shall read and understand.

Come and kneel with me; we shall break the bread.

Together we shall eat and be satisfied.

Come and walk with me; we shall part the waters.

Together we shall risk, and, behold, we shall be changed.

OPENING HYMN 183 “Come to Me, O Weary Traveler”

(Please remain standing, sit or kneel as is your preference for confession)

HYMN OF CONFESSION 29 “O God, You Search Me,” stanzas 1-3

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful One, you know when we are afraid to love; you know when we are too cowardly to show mercy. Remind us again that perfect love casts out such fears. Surround us and strengthen us with your perfect love, even in the face of our imperfections. Permeate us with a love so strong, with such growth toward perfection, that we may cast aside our pride and embrace the power of love.

ALL SING 29 “O God, You Search Me,” stanzas 4-5

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SHARING CHRIST’S PEACE

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

HYMN OF GLORY 582 “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

“One By One”

Rev. Tiffany Komasa

FIRST READING "A Spirit-led Encounter," based on Acts 8:26-39 (pg.892)

Merri Bame & Sandy Ferguson

GOSPEL READING John 15:1-8 (pg. 878)

MESSAGE

"Branching Out"

Rev. Tiffany Komasara

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Simple Gifts"

Arr. Anna Laura Page

HYMN OF THANKS 647 "Give Thanks"

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Abide with us and within us, O Holy One. Transform us and all that we offer to you here into branches of your love, bearing fruit that feeds and nourishes a world hungry for kindness and compassion. Strengthen us that we may grow into your likeness with courage and conviction. Live in us, that we may live in you, and live as your abiding presence in the world. In faith and trust, we pray. 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

"You Are the Vine, We Are the Branches"

Daniels/Rigby

**You are the vine, we are the branches. Keep us abiding in You.
You are the vine, we are the branches. Keep us abiding in You.**

**And we'll go in your love. And we'll go in Your name.
That the world will surely know that You have power to heal and to save. (repeat all)**

**You are the vine, we are the branches. Keep us abiding in You.
You are the vine, we are the branches. Keep us abiding in You.**

Keep us abiding in You.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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Worship Leader: Sandy Ferguson

Usher Captain: Ian Rennick

Elder of the Month: LaMar Zigler

Worship Service Attendance for April 14, 2024: 72

THIS WEEK AT BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

04/28) Sunday

10:00 am 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 will continue throughout the year.

Grades K - 3 meet at 11:15 on the 3rd floor with Miss Martha Hills and Miss Katie Schmidt will continue through May 19 and re-start the Sunday after Labor Day

WHY MUSIC? Join Pastor Tiffany in the Chapel after worship today to learn about and discuss why music is part of our worship service, and the purpose music can have in the life of a church. All ages welcome!

04/29) Monday

6:00 Boy scouts

04/30) Tuesday

7:00pm EDG
7:00pm Book Club
7:30 AA Meeting

05/01) Wednesday

9:30am Quilters
7:00pm NA
7:00 Outreach Committee - Lounge

05/02) Thursday

7:00pm GA meets in FH
7:15pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

05/03) Friday

05/04) Saturday

05/05) Sunday 10:00 am Worship with Communion; next week's readings: John 15:9-17; Acts 10:44-48; 1 John 5:1-6; Psalm 90

Faith Formation for all ages after worship.

Financial Summary	March 2024 Actuals	2024 Actual Year-to-Date		March 2023	2023 Actual Year-to-Date
Total Income	27,576.08	100,793.51		23,344.02	64,768.54
Total Expenditures	24,657.68	77,734.62		28,901.49	73,943.55
Net Revenue	2,918.40	23,058.89		(5,557.47)	(9,175.01)

BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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. We need more volunteers to staff our nursery so we can offer care after worship and give our regular volunteers the opportunity to attend worship. Please contact Sue Harvey (614-216-5884) if you can give of your time this way. All volunteers will be trained on the church's child safety policy and background checked.



PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

Prayer asked from:	For:
Jody Huggins	Friend Betty Jo: prayers of comfort for cancer and not tolerating the chemotherapy
Sally Neff	Son-in-law Russ Frost: prayers for pain in hip and back
Michael Hamilton	Prayers of thanksgiving-My doctor has proclaimed me cancer free. Thank you for all your support.
	Jeanette and William Gonzalez: prayers for healing and comfort.
	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.	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

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS FOR APRIL

Date:	Member:	Date:	Member:
04/05	Sally Neff	04/24	David Culbertson
04/05	Denise Swatzky	04/24	Kit Stephens
04/12	Dan Briggs	04/26	Luke Lobao
04/12	Thomas Fletcher	04/26	Bill Gamble
04/12	Stefanie Osborne	04/30	Benjamin Richardson

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS FOR MAY

Date:	Member:	Date:	Member:
05/02	Kiera Rennick	05/18	Levi Hooley
05/02	Evan Dray	05/19	Michele Nobel
05/05	Don Plas	05/20	Lindsay (Zigler) Dray
05/06	Diane Cattran	05/24	Beth Wali
05/10	Kay Rieve	05/27	Martha Hills
05/12	Terry McFadden	05/30	Jaqui Wali
05/15	Susan Ells		

Birthday Blessings to all! Please contact the office with any updates or corrections to this list

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAYETTE NEWS

Linda Wilton is always collecting items for CWU Layette Mission. A collection basket is located in the hallway by the Chapel. Items needed:

Diaper, sizes 1 & 2	wipes	Bottles, large and small	Receiving blankets
Sleeper onesies	Socks	Body Wash	Body lotion

Books for infants and monetary donations are always welcome (checks payable to Church Women United)

FROM THE FRASE FAMILY

On behalf of the Frase Family we wish to thank the church family for all the support and prayers we have received over the past three plus years. The many cards, notes and calls all seem to come when an uplift was needed. A special thanks to Pastor Tiffany for the beautiful memorial services. Her support, visits and call. I would be remiss if I didn't thank Kyme Rennick for the wonderful friendship which was developed (not to mention keeping me fed while Bill was in the hospital). So many of you have a special place in my heart (you know who you are). Thanks to all of you. Blessings Katy Frase.

CELEBRATION OF MARY ANN'S MUSIC MINISTRY - MAY 19.

Our May 19 Pentecost Sunday worship service will be filled with the Spirit as we give thanks for and celebrate 18+ years of music ministry with Mary Ann Stephens! Mary Ann will be concluding her service as Music Coordinator at the end of May. Reception after worship will include food, festivities and more music - all are welcome and encouraged to stay and join in the fun.

HOLY MOMENTS BOOK STUDY- Beginning in June, Pastor Tiffany would like to offer a weekly class on the book "Holy Moments: a guidebook" by Matthew Kelly. Do you want to be more present in your life and give more moments to God? Then this class is for you! Time and place to be determined by mutual consensus - sign up in the lounge if you are interested. Books will be provided for all participants!

NOW HIRING: CHILD CARE PROVIDER

We are still in need of volunteers to staff our Nursery during worship and the education hour. We are also seeking to hire an experienced childcare provider to provide continuity from week to week and give our regular volunteers a break. If you are interested in adding your name to the list of volunteers or know someone who would be interested in our childcare staff position, please contact Pastor Tiffany or Personnel Committee member Tim Harvey. All volunteers and staff must undergo a background check and be trained on our Child Safety Policy.

SPRING POLLINATOR GARDEN NEWS

Recent research shows that a prairie sequesters as much carbon as a forest, area for area. Just another reason we are happy to have native prairie plants growing on our property! Just think, last year at this time the Native Plant Pollinator Garden site was just turf grass. Since then it's been prepped and planted and had a successful first season. And now, last year's plants are re-emerging! If you look you can see leaves growing around the old stems. That means the roots are established and the plants survived the winter. There are native bees developing in the old stems, so we will leave them in place for another month or so. This spring we will install an interpretive sign that explains to the community what native plants are and their place in the ecosystem. Any bare spots may be filled in with new plants if necessary. And there will be much less watering required, because these plants have evolved to live in our climate. Watch the garden for flowers, birds, caterpillars, bees, butterflies! We are showing our neighbors the beauty of God's creation and how to heal the earth.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – Sunday July 7 through Wednesday July 10, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

We are still looking for additional shepherds and helpers for Vacation Bible School. Shepherds need to arrive by 5:20 to meet their charges at their assigned church doors and then bring them down to dinner in Fellowship Hall at 5:30. Shepherds stay with the children during dinner and are welcome to enjoy the "gourmet fare" being served, bring their own dinner or eat at home before or after VBS. The children then go to an opening skit in the sanctuary followed by five 20-minute rotations. VBS ends at 8:00 with the exception of Wednesday when the children sing the songs they have learned to their families before going home. That wraps up by 8:15. While we would prefer to have shepherds do all four days, we could also do two-day shifts. All adult VBS volunteers will be background checked and trained on our child safety policy. Please let Allyson Engdahl know by Sunday May 5 if you would be willing to help with VBS. phone: 614-725-6436 email: ERICAL73@yahoo.com.

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