

## **BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

July 21, 2024 10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Diane Cattran Charles Converse, Arr. Joel Ramey

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Matthew 11:28-30)

Jesus said, "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."

Lord, we come to worship you, seeking sabbath rest.

Jesus said, "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

Lord, we come to worship you, to listen for your teachings and to seek rest for our souls.

Jesus said, "For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Lord, we come to worship you, that we might serve you faithfully.

Give thanks to God; bless God's name!

For the Lord is good; God's steadfast love endures forever, and God's faithfulness to all generations.

OPENING HYMN 410

"God Is Calling through the Whisper"

CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Good and gracious God, we confess that we run ourselves ragged. We are busy and preoccupied with so many things. We neglect to be still and know that you are God. Even our sabbath time can be filled with "busy-ness." Forgive us, Lord, for not accepting your gift and guidance of rest and restoration. Help us to put on the yoke of Jesus and walk in the way he models for us, mindful of our spiritual health and responding with compassion to the needs of our neighbors.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Ephesians 2:4-10)

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

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also, with you.** 

HYMN OF GLORY 616

"Our God Is an Awesome God"

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING - Psalm 23:1-6 (p. 435)

SECOND READING - Matthew 11:28-30 (p. 792)

MESSAGE

Melissa Schmidt

#### **HYMN 183**

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From "A Declaration of Faith")

RIGHT PEWS: God sent his Son to proclaim release to those who are bound, to announce that God's promised kingdom is at hand, to urge everyone to repent and believe the good news.

LEFT PEWS: The Lord is moving toward the time when the glorious liberty of the children of God will be manifest throughout the whole creation.

RIGHT PEWS: We testify God is at work here and now when people obey Christ's commission to witness to him and make disciples of all nations, when they spread the good news by their words and embody it in their lives.

LEFT PEWS: We believe that God sends us to tell all nations that Christ calls everyone to repentance, faith and obedience.

RIGHT PEWS: We are to proclaim by word and deed that Christ gave himself to set people free from sin and self-hatred, from ignorance and disease, from all forms of oppression, and even from death.

LEFT PEWS: We are to offer them in Christ's name fullness of life now and forever. We must not distort the gospel by weakening its promises or demands, by identifying it with oppressive structures, by pointing to ourselves instead of Christ.

ALL: We must not restrict our proclamation to persons just like ourselves. We invite people everywhere to believe in Christ and become his followers. We urge them to join us in telling others the good news and in struggling for justice, compassion, and peace.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY	"Put Peace into Each Other's Hands"	Trad Irish Melody, Arr. Joel Ramey
HYMN OF THANKS 647	"Give Thanks With A Grateful	Heart"

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of grace and God of glory, we thank you for your generous blessings which enrich our lives. Help us to be good stewards of all you give. May we freely give with generous hearts, even as we have received what you have so freely given us, Jesus Christ, your indescribable gift. Amen.

## 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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 623

"I've Got Peace Like a River"

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE GRANDVIEW HOP**: The second Grandview HOP of 2024 is Saturday, July 27 from 5:00PM to 9:00PM. The Boulevard booth will be there and the Outreach Team needs volunteers. This is a fun time and easy. We have two shifts, the early one includes set up and a later one that includes tear down. Please sign up in the lounge or contact: Mac Swinford 614-205-8489, Jan Plas, Carol McFadden, or Outreach Committee Chair, Ian Gilbert.

**BOULEVARD NATIVE GARDEN UPDATE JULY 2024** - There's a lot happening in the native plant pollinator garden. There are many flowers that are just covered with bees. The best time to see bees and butterflies are when it's sunny! There have also been wasps, flies, moths, birds and a regular rabbit visitor. Last week all the VBS classes took a garden tour. We looked for different types of flowers and creatures. There are 14 species in bloom right now! We also created two "bee baths" as we learned recently that bees need water in order to drink and bathe. They also need stones so that they can climb out of the water. The garden supported the VBS theme of Caring for God's Creation. We also led a tour of community members this summer, and they included an outreach staff member from Franklin Park Conservatory. And we installed an interpretive sign along Northwest Boulevard. All are invited to check out the garden. It's constantly changing, so come back often!

# SESSION GIVES GREENLIGHT ON FELLOWSHIP HALL RENOVATION

Our Session members received the report of our Fellowship Hall Renovation Co-Chairs, Alex McCormick and Harold Cheyney, and voted unanimously to approve their proposal "to create a safe, fresh, clean, updated, comfortable, versatile, useful space for BPC and our community." Work to be done includes finishing the walls, installing a new drop-down ceiling with flush puck lighting, installing new flooring, and encasing the support columns. The renovation will also include addressing necessary issues with our current electric and HV/AC systems and will provide for better lighting in storage areas and stairwells. Our existing wooden folding chairs will be refurbished and stored out of the way on new rolling storage racks.

Drawings will be on display in the lounge, along with a look at what a fresh steam cleaning of our existing Sauder wooden folding chairs will do. Work could begin as soon as August, and should be completed in under 12 weeks. Much thanks to Jon Stephens for providing architectural/design services, and Hal Scofield, who will be serving as the General Contractor for the project. The overall cost is estimated at \$120,000 - \$140,000, depending on availability and price fluctuation of materials. Our Finance Committee is working on an overall plan to allocate existing funds to this and other building improvement needs, and also welcomes the financial support of anyone who wants to contribute to the Fellowship Hall Renovation or other projects.

Please offer prayers and words of Gratitude to Jon, Hal, Alex, Harold and the rest of our Property Committee; our Design Committee: Allyson Engdahl, Martha Hills, Linda Wilton and Grace Parks; and lift prayers for the vision and generosity of the late Bob Merckle whose bequest makes this project possible.

**PASTOR TIFFANY WILL BE AWAY** serving the greater church as Pastor in Residence at Camp Greenwood, a summer camp and year-round retreat and learning center in Gowen, Michigan. Should you need pastoral care while Pastor Tiffany is away, contact the office and/or Rev. Joel Esala at Covenant Presbyterian Church, (614) 451-6677

**CHURCH WOMEN UNITED** will host a Special Event on Domestic Violence, Wednesday, July 24 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Martin Luther King Jr. branch of the Columbus Public Library (1467 E. Long Street, Columbus). There will be speakers there from Zach Klein's office, the Mayor's office and other organizations. Box lunch provided - for more info and to RSVP, call Ann Walker (614) 253-0077, Sharon Burgess (614) 282-0788 or Traci Stevenson (614) 641-3200.

**SCRUBBIES** Do you remember the popular "Scrubbies" our church women made? They are now available from the women of Covenant Presbyterian Church for \$2 each with a variety of different colors. Please call Sally Neff at (614) 224-3719 to place an order if you're interested!

**SCOUT TROOP 73** remains active in our church building and community. Do you have a flag that needs to be retired? Please bring it to the church office and Ken Frick, our scout liaison, will see that it is given to the scouts for appropriate handling.

**OFFICE STAFF:** Welcome back Jeanette! Jeanette Gonzalez has returned from leave and will be staffing our church office Monday -Thursday from 10 a.m - 4 p.m. Valerie Bosworth is our new financial secretary, supporting Treasurer Melissa Schmidt in managing our finances. Valerie can be reached at finance@blvdcurch.org or call the office to leave her a message.

**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 can volunteer, 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.

**FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK** at the page for Boulevard Presbyterian Church, you'll find our worship livestreams, pictures and announcements about upcoming events. We also have a Facebook Group Page (Boulevard Pes Church Group) where we share more internal announcements. Consider joining these social media pages to stay informed!

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** If you would like to provide flowers for worship, please place your order with Green, A Floral Design Studio in Grandview (614) 488-1851 for THURSDAY delivery by 3:00 p.m., and notify the Office by Wednesday of any dedication you would like included in the bulletin.

**BE THE BODY** Looking for a way to get involved or serve? Coffee hour hosts are needed each Sunday to make coffee and provide light snacks after worship – sign-up sheet is on the refrigerator in the kitchen off the Lounge; Greeters are needed every Sunday to swing wide the doors at our Second Street and Northwest Boulevard entrances; ushers offer next-level hospitality in the pews, and sign-up sheets for other activities like serving dinner at the YMCA and other volunteer opportunities can be found on the window ledge in the Lounge by the Second Street entrance, or call the church office to find out who to ask.

**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** Your gift to our Deacons supports our fellowship activities and makes it possible to provide financial assistance to families in our church community. Your contribution to the Deacons' Fund can be made any time using the deacon's envelope provided in your 2024 pledge envelopes, or by written "Deacons" on the memo line of your check.

**LAYETTE MISSION:** Linda Wilton is always collecting items for CWU Layette Mission. A collection basket is located in the hallway by the Chapel. Items needed: diapers sizes 1 & 2; wipes; bottles, large and small; socks; receiving blankets, sleeper onesies, body wash, body lotion. Books for infants and monetary donations are always welcome (checks payable to Church Women United).

## 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 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:		
	Judy Pierce: Is in the FCV Nursing Home. Prayers for healing.		
	Ginny Achtermann: For healing and relief from headaches.		
	Grace Parks: prayers for a safe and full recovery from Covid and other continuing health issues.		
	William Gonzalez: prayers for healing and comfort.		
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. Granddaughter Amelia Hamilton: has Friedreich's Ataxia. Charmaine's brother, Spencer: medical concerns; Friend Fred Heald: Continued healing prayer. Recuperating from heart surgery.		
	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).		
Pat Nicholson	Prayers for Granddaughter Stephanie and husband Corey Sander: healing for Corey's brain cancer.		
Kathie Bailey	Brother Mike: pancreatic cancer.		
Bonnie Grimm	Bonnie's cousin's husband, John Odum: has Parkinson's Disease.		
	Terry McFadden: in Allen Oakwood Correctional Facility.		
Carol McFadden	Carol's sister, Susan Wright: prayers for healing.		

## 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 Assisted living.	Katy Frase	Home

## **CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN JULY**

Date:	Member:	Date:	Member:
07/03	Tom Hayes	07/16	Jody Huggins, Marty Kuhn
07/07	Grant Stephens	07/20	Lisa Faulkner, Sandy Ferguson
07/08	Paula Frank	07/21	Don Kizer
07/09	Mary Ebert	07/23	Richard Williams
07/11	Debbie Bell, Ian Gilbert, Carol Williams	07/24	Cindy Williams
07/14	Kim Welter	7/28	Sandy Zigler
		07/31	Norman Knapp

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



**Congratulations** to Robert and Alicia Williams on the birth of their daughter Autumn Leigh Williams who was born this Monday June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

## THIS WEEK AT BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

07/21) Sunday 10:00 am Worship Service in-person & live-streamed on Facebook with Pastor Curtis Kemp

Ages 4-7 We Wonder will be hosted by Melissa Schmidt. Attend 10:00 am worship through the Children's Message, then meet in the window room off of the nursery – and will continue throughout the year.

07/22) Monday	07/23) Tuesday	07/24) Wednesday	07/25) Thursday	
6:30pm Boy	7:00pm EDA (library)	9:30am Quilters	7:30pm GA meets	
Scouts	7:30pm AA meets	6:30pm Cub scouts		
		7:30pm NA Meetings		
07/26) Friday		07/27) Saturday	I	
9:30 – Stretching with Marlin				
07/28) Sunday 10:00 am Worship Service				

#### **OPERATING BUDGET SNAPSHOT – JUNE 2024**

Month of	June	2024 Actual	2024 Budget	2024 Total Budgat
June	Budget	Year-to-Date	Year-to-Date	2024 Total Budget
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18,484.28	18,948.00	115,464.73	113,688.00	227,377.00
20,827.33	26,454.00	167,216.60	157,284.00	315,977.00
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\*Summer is here! Don't let your pledge go on vacation.

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Pastor: Rev. Tiffany Komasara – pastor@blvdchurch.org Office Manager: Jeanette Gonzalez– office@blvdchurch.org Preschool Administrator: Mikie Bowles Financial Officer: Valerie Bosworth- finance@blvdchurch.org

## THANKS TO THOSE HELPING WITH TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Pastor: Curtis Kemp -- Music: Diane Cattran

Worship Leader: George EllsUsher Captain: Michael SchmidtElder of the Month: Linda WiltonWorship Service Attendance for July 14, 2024 - 62

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# Thank you to All the volunteers for a fun week at VBS