



**“The rich and the poor have this in common:  
The Lord is the Maker of them all” – Proverbs 22:2**

**BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**SANCTUARY**

**SEPT 8, 2024 10:00 a.m.**

PRELUDE

“Gymnopedie 1”  
By Erik Satie

Tom Kolar

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Tiffany Komasara

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 146)

Elder Merri Bame

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

**Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.**

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

**whose hope is in the Lord their God.**

OPENING HYMN 174

“Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom”

Darius McBride,  
Cantor

CALL TO CONFESSION

God knows us completely. God knows our hearts and discerns our thoughts. Let us then confess the brokenness within us and in the world, that we may be humbled by God’s redeeming love for us.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, although we honor you with our words and worship, our thoughts and actions are often far from you. We are quick to judge, quick to exclude, quick to put others down and habitually deny your will and your way. Forgive us, God, for all the ways we argue with you instead of finding the grace you extend to us all.**

(moment of silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God's mercy is faithful and sure. God’s love redeems us from our own flawed thinking. In Christ, God reconciles the broken world to his perfect way. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. May we live accordingly!

SHARING CHRIST’S PEACE

La paz del senor! The peace of the Lord be with you! **And also, with you!**

HYMN OF GLORY 583

“Glory to God”

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

Rev. Tiffany Komasa

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elder Merri Bame

FIRST READING Proverbs 22:1-2; 8-9; 22-23 (pg. 527)

GOSPEL READING Mark 7:24-37 (pg.818)

MESSAGE

“Justice, Connection”

Rev. Tiffany Komasa

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Book of Common Worship; Romans 8:1, 28, 38, 39)

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God’s purpose.**

**We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Pavane”

Tom Kolar

By Maurice Ravel

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Holy God, how often we take for granted all that we have. How often we fail to recognize how blessed we are. Take these gifts we give in response to your generosity and use them to further Christ’s mission and ministry in a hurting world. 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 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 762

“When the Poor Ones”

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Trumpet Tune”

Tom Kolar

By Christopher Tambling

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## PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

Prayer asked from:	For:
Jeanette	Nephew Jonathan Rosa: prayers for healing. In the hospital with Cushing Syndrome, possible MS,
	Judy Pierce: prayers for healing.
	Grace Parks: prayers for continuous healing.
	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	Granddaughter: Amelia Hamilton, rare disease of Friedreich's ataxia: brother Spencer and friends, Fred Heald and Karla Holton - ongoing medical concerns.
	Jill Hooley: prayers for healing.
	Dave Grimm: 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 SEPTEMBER

Date:	Member:	Date:	Member
09/02	Pastor Tiffany Komasara	09/13	Charlie Frick
09/03	Mike Hamilton, Brita Knapp, Zachary Schmitz	09/16	Ken Frick, Jan Minton
09/05	Michael Mckinney	09/20	Rob Williams
09/09	Carolyn Schmidt	09/22	Nicole Richardson
09/10	Garrett Fischer	9/27	Ian Rennick

## THIS WEEK AT BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

9/8) Sunday 10:00 am Worship Service in-person & live-streamed on Facebook;

Ages 4-7 We Wonder hosted by Alex McCormick: Children attend 10:00 am worship through the Children's Message, then go to the window room connected to the nursery.

**FAITH DEVELOPMENT AND LION'S CUB COOKIES** after worship, stick around for some yummy Lion's Cub Cookies and conversation about Faith Development at Boulevard.

09/09)	09/10) Tuesday 7:00pm EDA (library) 7:30pm AA meets	09/11) Wednesday 9:30am Quilters 6:30pm Cub scouts 7:30pm NA Meetings	09/12) Thursday 7:30pm GA meets
09/13) Friday 9:00am Stretch Classes with Marlin in the Chapel		09/14)	
09/15) Sunday 10:00 am Worship Service in-person & live-streamed on Facebook;			
We Wonder for Ages 4-7 We Wonder hosted by Martha Hills: Children attend 10:00 am worship through the Children's Message, then go to the window room connected to the nursery.			

### OPERATING BUDGET SNAPSHOT – JULY 2024

	Month of July	July Budget	2024 Actual Year-to-Date	2024 Budget Year-to-Date	2024 Total Budget
Total Revenue	17,767.89*	19,075.00	161,097.42	133,525.00	228,900.00
Total Expenditures	23,691.91	30,054.00	188,779.27	210,378	360,585.00
Net	(5,924.02)	(10,979.00)	(27,681.85)	(76,853.00)	(131,685.00)
July 2023 Comparison					
	Month of July	July Budget	2023 Actual Year-to-Date	2023 Budget Year-to-Date	2023 Total Budget
Total Revenue	27,411.01	18,948.00	142,875.74	132,636.00	227,377.00
Total Expenditures	21,942.59	26,454.00	161,936.98	183,738.00	315,977.00
Net	(5,468.42)	(7,506.00)	(19,061.24)	(51,102.00)	(88,600.00)

\*Summer is here! Don't let your pledge go on vacation

**BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** (Blvdchurch.org)  
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 Preschool Administrator: Mikie Bowles Financial Officer: Valerie Bosworth- finance@blvdchurch.org

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

Worship Leader: Merri Bame Usher Captain: Bill Bell Elder of the Month: Merri Bame  
 Worship Service Attendance for September 1, 2024 - 48

### 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.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ENDOWMENT:** It's Coming . . . opportunity to submit applications to the Endowment Committee

-Funds are awarded only TWICE a year, April and October.

-Funds are awarded to projects that fall into the following categories: Capital, Mission and Worship & Education.

-Funds are not likely to be awarded to projects that can be paid from our operating budget or other sources.

-Funds vary in each category, each award cycle.

-Applications may only be submitted by Boulevard's members.

-Disbursements must be used within one year from the date of the approval unless extended by the Endowment Committee at the request of the applicant

-Recipients will be required to file a written report to the Endowment Committee at the completion of action association with the disbursement.

-Copies for reimbursement are to be provided to the Chair.

**-DUE DATE FOR ENDOWMENT APPLICATIONS - OCTOBER 1**

Endowment forms can also be found in the lounge. Please email your completed application to Jeanette, [office@blvdchurch.org](mailto:office@blvdchurch.org) and Charmaine, [charmainehamilton@hotmail.com](mailto:charmainehamilton@hotmail.com). You may also leave a copy with Jeanette. If emailing, please confirm that your application was received.

**Do you know your Endowment Committee Members?**

Charmaine Hamilton, Chair, Katie Schmidt, Larry Schmitz, LaMar Zigler, Sandy Zigler, Pastor Tiffany, non-voting  
Melissa Schmidt, Treasurer, non-voting

**FALL MISSION FOCUS: FREEDOM ALA CART** Our mission focus for September is FREEDOM ALA CART. Freedom ala Cart works with the victims of human trafficking helping them to move their lives forward in new and positive directions. Boulevard supports Freedom ala Cart with monthly donations from our mission budget, our Community Christmas Boxes and individual contributions from our congregation.

Human trafficking has strong and deep roots in Central Ohio. As many as 1,200 solicitation arrests are made each year in Franklin County. An estimated 92% are identified as victims of human trafficking — trafficked since the average age of 13. As a result, they lack job skills and face complex barriers to employment in the traditional workplace: criminal records, arrested development, traumatic brain injuries that affect logic and memory, post-traumatic stress disorder, addiction and mental health issues. Through Freedom ala Cart's three primary levels of service: 1) CATCH Court Support; 2) a robust Workforce Development Program; and 3) our Butterfly Continuum of Care program, Freedom a la Cart provides supportive services to over 400 unduplicated survivors of human trafficking each year. (adapted from their website)

Additionally, Freedom has a wonderful café downtown on Spring Street between Third and Fourth Streets where survivors learn skills that will help them as they transition into independent living and jobs in the traditional workplace. Covenant Presbyterian has strong ties to Freedom ala Cart and the Mission Committee is looking into ways that we might be able to partner with them. We made a start on this last year when our Christmas Boxes were delivered directly to Covenant Presbyterian where a Christmas Party was being held for the survivors. Stay tuned for further developments! If you would like to share further in supporting Freedom ala Cart, you may drop off a donation at the office or place it in the offering plate. Please be sure to mark Freedom ala Cart on the memo line of your check.

**SAVE THE DATE: SUCH SWEET THUNDER OCTOBER 18.** Our next free Community Concert will feature the jazz band Such Sweet Thunder. Featuring some of the Midwest's finest jazz musicians, Such Sweet Thunder pays loving tribute to the music of Duke Ellington and his musical partner Billy Strayhorn. The band consists of Michael Cox (alto saxophone, clarinet), Bryan Olsheshki (tenor saxophone, clarinet), Mark Donovan (baritone saxophone, clarinet, bass clarinet), Jim Powell (trumpet, flugelhorn), Ryan Hamilton (trombone, arrangements), Lucas Holmes (piano), Dean Hulett (bass), and Reggie Jackson (drums)

**WELCOME NEW MUSIC STAFF!** Our Worship and Music Committee and Personnel Committee are excited to announce the hiring of two additions to our music ministry! Tom Kolar will continue as our regular Church Organist, and will guide us with the care and keeping of our magnificent Casavant-Freres organ. Darius McBride is our new Music Director. Darius will be directing our Choir and coordinating music for our worship services. Darius is also directing the choirs at Westerville South High School. Choir rehearsal will resume Thursday, September 5 at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

#### **YWCA Shelter Dinner**

YWCA Shelter Dinner. Effective September 1st, there will be a major change in the way we serve dinners. The Shelter has implemented a program where the food must be prepared at the shelter kitchen. The canned goods, chips and cookies are still acceptable in pre-packaged units. We are going to change our menu from sloppy joes to shredded chicken sandwiches and hot dogs. There is a donation box by the sign-up sheet in the lounge. We are anticipating the need for \$200 in donations. Any questions please feel free to contact Bill Bell.

**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!

**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.

**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.

**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.