

**“Who has put wisdom in the inward parts or
given understanding to the mind?”**

– Job 38:37

BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

October 20, 2024 10:00 a.m.

*Please rise in body and/or spirit as is your preference where you see an asterisk.

PRELUDE

“Largo”

Tom Kolar

By George Frederic Handel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Tiffany Komasa

¡Bienvenido! Please sign the friendship register located at the end of each pew, and include any updated contact information. Prayer concerns may be submitted in writing in the offering plates, or aloud at our time of prayer.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Kathie Bailey

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Ella Louise Conner

God’s greatness is beyond our understanding, yet we proclaim:

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

God stretched the heavens across the sky;

let us marvel at the stars that fill it.

God raised mountains above the depths;

let us gather in wonder before them.

*OPENING HYMN

“Did you Think to Pray?” (on back)

By William Oscar Perkins, Mary Ann Pepper Kidder, 1876

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Tiffany Komasa

God spins the whirling planets, creates abundant life in infinite variety, counts the stars in the sky and the hairs on every single head. And yet, we hesitate to name our fears, admit our failings or seek wholeness from the One who knows us better than we know ourselves. Come, children all, and trust in the power of God’s great love for us all to make right our errors, omissions and faulty thinking. Let us together pray these words of confession:

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, your truth is oftentimes hard to hear. We confess our avoidance, our purposeful distractions, our prideful arrogance that keeps us from hearing and responding to your Word. Although you send us messages and messengers, we dismiss and disregard those who tell us we are wrong. Have mercy upon us, Holy God. Open us to hearing the truth no matter how it is conveyed. Amen.

(moment of silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the Good News! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

*SHARING CHRIST’S PEACE

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

*HYMN OF GLORY 584

“Glory, Glory, Glory”

**Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God on high! (repeat)
And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well pleased. (repeat)**

**¡Gloria, gloria, gloria, en las alturas a Dios! (repetir)
Y en la tierra, paz a la gente que ama el Señor. (repetir)**

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

“What Language Does God Speak?”

Rev. Tiffany Komasaara

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Ella Louise Conner

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Job 29:1-16; 31:35 (pg. 412)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Job 38:1-7; 34-41; 40:1-7 (pg. 420)

MESSAGE

“The Socratic Method”

Rev. Tiffany Komasaara

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Book of Common Worship; Philippians 2: 5-11)

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Ella Louise Conner

OFFERTORY

“God Is My Strong Salvation”

By Montgomery/Lovelace

Chancel Choir

Darius McBride, Director

*HYMN OF THANKS 653

“Give Thanks to God Who Hears Our Cries” stanza 1 only

**Give thanks to God who hears our cries and saves in troubled days
with wondrous works to humankind that call for highest praise.
Let all who know God’s saving love sing grateful songs always.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

Holy God, these offerings are only a portion of all that you have given us. We gratefully present these gifts and entrust them to your work in this world. May our gifts share the Good News of the gospel to those who are in need. May these gifts help unburden those with the heaviest of loads. 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 677

“The day thou gavest, Lord, is Ended”

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“St. Clements”

By Alec Rowley

Tom Kolar

THANKS TO THOSE HELPING WITH TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Worship Leader: Ella Louise Conner Usher Captain: Michael Schmidt Elder of the Month: Beth Walli
 Worship Service Attendance for October 13, 2024 - 51

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

Prayer asked from:	For:
	Prayers of Joy: for the Schafer Family. Krissy, Cort, Hendrick and Hazel welcomed sister Heidi Sue, born September 12. Heidi will be baptized at Boulevard on December 22 during the 10 a.m. service.
	Ginny Achtermann: pray for healing
Bill Gamble	Sister's cancer has returned: prayers for healing.
	Michael McKinney: pray for healing
	Judy Pierce: prayers for healing.
	Grace Parks: prayers for continuous healing.
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.
	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 OCTOBER

Date:	Member:	Date:	Member
10/20	Kevin Frick	10/31	Kathie Bailey

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Did You Think to Pray?

William Oscar Perkins

Mary Ann Pepper Kidder, 1876

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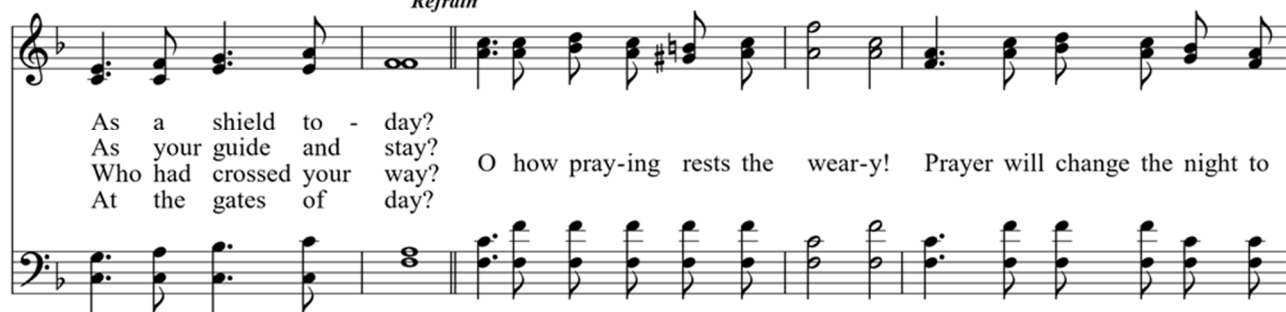


1. Ere you left your room this morn - ing, Did you think to pray?
2. When you met with great temp - ta - tion, Did you think to pray?
3. When your heart was filled with an - ger, Did you think to pray?
4. When sore tri - als came up - on you, Did you think to pray?

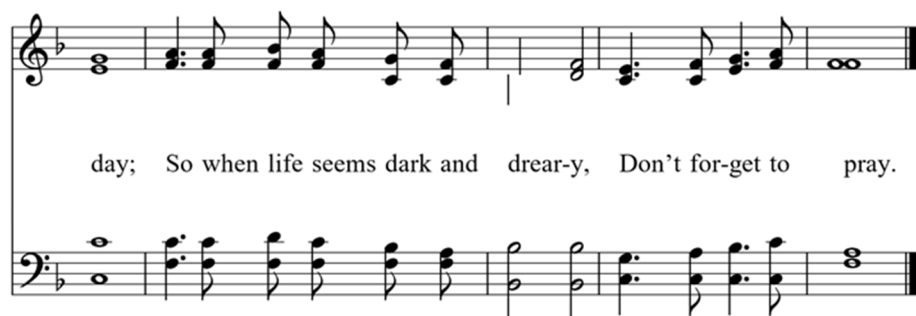


In the name of Christ our Sav - ior, Did you sue for lov - ing fa - vor,
By His dy - ing love and mer - it, Did you claim the Ho - ly Spir - it
Did you plead for grace, my bro - ther, That you might for - give a - no - ther
When your soul was bowed in sor - row, Balm of Gil - ead did you bor - row

Refrain



As a shield to - day?
As your guide and stay? O how pray - ing rests the wear - y! Prayer will change the night to
Who had crossed your way?
At the gates of day?



day; So when life seems dark and drear - y, Don't for - get to pray.

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The Columbus Marathon is this Sunday! Be aware of road closures and plan accordingly: <https://www.columbusmarathon.com/marathon-map>

Join us in the Chapel after worship as our "Everything Good About God Is True" book discussion continues. This week, we get to the heart of the book: how do we testify to a God that is Good in a world that knows suffering? The October 20 Lesson Plan is attached.

THIS WEEK AT BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

10/20) Sunday 10:00 a.m. World Communion Sunday worship service in-person & live-streamed on Facebook; -After service "Everything good about God is True" we are reading Bruce Reyes-Chow's book". -We Wonder for Ages 4-7. Children attend 10:00 am worship through the Children's Message, then go to the window room connected to the nursery.			
10/21) 6:30pm Cub Scouts	10/22) Tuesday 6:30pm Worship Committee 7:00pm EDA 7:30pm AA	10/23) Wednesday 9:30am Quilters 6:00pm Nominating Committee 6:30pm Cub scouts 7:30pm NA	10/24) Thursday 7:15 Choir Practice 7:30pm GA meets
10/25) Friday		10/26) 9:30am Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Upper Arlington.	
10/27) Sunday 10:00 am worship service in-person & live-streamed on Facebook; -Significant Six day! Please turn in your donations of toothbrushes, toothpaste, bars of soap etc. -After service "Everything good about God is true" we are reading Bruce Reye's-Chow's book". -We Wonder for Ages 4-7. Children attend 10:00 am worship through the Children's Message, then go to the window room connected to the nursery.			

OPERATING BUDGET SNAPSHOT SEPTEMBER 2024

	Month of September	Budget September	2024 Actual Year-to-Date	2024 Budget Year-to-Date	2024 Total Budget
Total Revenue	\$ 13,310.82	\$ 19,075.00	\$ 184,032.89	\$ 215,589.18	\$ 228,900.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 45,964.54	\$ 30,048.74	\$ 254,825.99	\$ 314,620.46	\$ 360,585.00
Net	\$ (32,653.72)	\$ (10,973.74)	\$ (70,793.10)	\$ (99,031.28)	\$ (131,685.00)

September 2023 Comparison

	Month of September	Budget September	2023 Actual Year-to-Date	2023 Budget Year-to-Date	2023 Total Budget
Total Revenue	\$ 14,425.28	\$ 18,948.00	\$ 179,247.19	\$ 170,532.00	\$ 227,377.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 24,320.97	\$ 26,454.00	\$ 220,135.51	\$ 236,646.00	\$ 315,977.00
Net	\$ (9,895.69)	\$ (7,506.00)	\$ (40,888.32)	\$ (66,114.00)	\$ (88,600.00)

IT'S STEWARDSHIP SEASON This Fall, your pledges will put leaves back onto our Stewardship Tree as we together aim for our goal of \$275,000 to support our 2025 operating budget. As of October 14, we have received 14 pledges committing over \$50,000 towards that goal!! Please prayerfully consider the value of Boulevard Church to you, your household and our community and make your pledge by October 27. Additional pledge packets are available in the lounge or contact the church office.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SIGNIFICANT SIX WILL BE COLLECTED ON OCTOBER 27 - turn in donations Personal care products that are short supply, **Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Bars of soap, Toilet paper, Razors, and Feminine hygiene products.**

SING WITH US Thursdays 7:15-8:45 Chancel Choir rehearses in the sanctuary. All voice types and levels of musicianship are welcome to join! Questions? Talk to Choir Director Darius McBride.

ALL SAINTS WORSHIP on Sunday, November 3, we'll worship in communion with the saints of this church, and remember them by name during worship. All members who have passed on to eternal life in the past year will be named, along with any additional names submitted by the congregation. If you would like your loved one's name read during our worship service, please submit your name to the church office by October 29, by email to office@blvdchurch.org or call (614)486-0267 (M-Th, 10-4).

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING NOVEMBER 17. A meeting of the Congregation of Boulevard Presbyterian Church will be held on Sunday, November 17 immediately after worship. Business will include items required by our denomination's polity, including election of church officers and approval of the Pastor's 2025 terms of call. All active members are encouraged to attend and vote! Not a member yet? You are also welcome to stay and learn more about our people-led model of being church.

EVERYTHING GOOD ABOUT GOD IS TRUE Our Fall Faith Development offering after worship continues October 20 and 27. Together, we are reading Bruce Reyes' Chow's book, "Everything Good about God Is True," and will be creating our own 'faith montage' (kind of like a collage). Please see Pastor Tiffany or Martha Hills with questions or to request a copy of the book, which is also available through the Columbus library system.

ENVIRONMENTALLY SPEAKING FOOD WASTE - approximately 1,000,000 pounds of food waste lands in the Franklin County landfill on a daily basis. That figure is not a typo. 15% of the landfill is food that creates methane gas. Changes you can make - be mindful when purchasing groceries. Don't buy more than you need. Many options for food waste, including curbside pick-up or drop-off containers located throughout the city. Boulevard has a food waste container in the kitchenette. Please do not throw food in the trash. SWACO's educational campaign for residents related to food waste prevention: <https://savemorethanfood.org/make-a-difference/at-home/> ~ from Charmaine Hamilton

GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS CUB SCOUT PACK 28 AND SCOUT TROOP 73 are selling fresh fruit from Florida. This scrumptious fruit makes a wonderful gift to family and friends. Florida Indian River Groves offers a 100% satisfaction guarantee on all their fruit. If your order does not arrive fresh and perfect or if you or your recipients are not totally satisfied, they will make it right!!! How amazing is that! Thank you for supporting the Grandview Heights Scouting Program. FREE LOCAL DELIVERY around December 12-17. Place your order before November 7th. To place your order on line, go to shop.floridaindianrivergroves.com/ecommerce/1025108. Thank you! Please contact Charmaine Hamilton for additional information. Charmaine is available to pick up and deliver your order. Monetary donations are appreciated.

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL Our mission drive for the month of October is Heifer International. Heifer International works with communities to end hunger and hardship by bringing sustainable agriculture and commerce opportunities to areas with a long history of poverty. While there are many ways to help Heifer in their work, we are continuing to focus on providing animals to those in need. The following is a partial list of the animals Heifer provides and their cost:

Heifer \$500	Pig \$120	Water Buffalo \$250	Honeybee hive \$30	Llama/Alpaca \$150
Flock of Chickens \$20	Goat \$120	Flock of Ducks \$20	Sheep \$120	

The Mission Committee would like to aggregate the gifts from the congregation and provide one donation from Boulevard. If you would like to contribute, you may put your check in the offering plate at church or mail it in to the office. Please be sure to put Heifer in the memo line of your check. Thank you for helping show Christ's love to those in need.