



“This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.” - Mark 13:1-8

BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SANCTUARY

November 17, 2024 10:00 a.m.

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

PRELUDE

“Gymnopedie III”
By Erik Satie

Tom Kolar

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Tiffany Komasa

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 146)

Carol McFadden

“This may only be a dream of mine, but I think it can be made real.” — Ella Baker

“Transform yourself to transform the world.” — Grace Lee Boggs

“Wage love.” — Charity Hicks

A new world is being birthed. Let us pray for and participate in God’s coming kingdom.

*OPENING HYMN 39

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

*CALL TO CONFESSION

We seek forgiveness because we live in the illusion of separateness. We seek forgiveness because we don’t yet know a better way. Through Christ, God’s mercy and healing are revealed. Let us together pray these words of confession:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Living God, we confess that we have stolen from you; we have taken what is wholly yours and claimed it as our own.

We have withheld love from others, denying that even they are your children and our siblings. We know no better than to ask for your forgiveness for all that we have yet to understand . . .

(moment of silent confession)

Re-mind us, O God, as only you can do, that we should know nothing but your love, that we should be your living body.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Matthew 9:1-2)

As told in the Gospel of Matthew, some brought before Jesus a paralyzed man for healing. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to them, “Take heart, your sins are forgiven.” Jesus taught them and teaches us that we are whole, just as we are, complete in the mind of Christ. Know that you are a recipient of God’s gift of mercy and grace, through his son, our Lord, Jesus the Christ.

*SHARING CHRIST’S PEACE

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

*HYMN OF GLORY

**“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

Rev. Tiffany Komasa

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (adapted from Psalm 19:14)

Carol McFadden

Open us, Holy One, to your Word and your Way. Clear our minds of daily distractions. Fill our hearts with the humility we need to hear and receive the message you intend for us today. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING *Daniel* 12:1-3 (pg.729)

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL READING *Mark* 13:1-8 (pg.825)

MESSAGE

“Labor, Love and Letting Go”

Rev. Tiffany Komasa

CALL FOR THE OFFERING (2 Corinthians 9:11)

Carol McFadden

OFFERTORY

"One Faith, One Hope, One Lord"
by Craig Courtney

Chancel Choir
Darius McBride, Director
Aaron Reising, Trumpet

*HYMN OF THANKS 654

**“In the Lord, I’ll Be Ever Thankful”
In the Lord I’ll be ever thankful; in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God; do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, maker and provider of all, you have blessed us with many gifts. Use us, and what we have gathered, to feed the world through your love; through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

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 543

“God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me”

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“St. Anthony Chorale”
- Hayden/Brahms

Tom Kolar

THANKS TO THOSE HELPING WITH TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Worship Leader: Carol McFadden Usher Captain: Michael Scdmidt Elder of the Month: Kevin Hick
 Worship Service Attendance for November 10, 2024 - 51

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

Prayer asked from:	For:
	Mary Ann Stockum:
	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 NOVEMBER

Date:	Member:	Date:	Member
11/01	Betty Sikking	11/08	Melissa Schauss
11/02	Nancy Wentzel, Annie Frick	11/14	Maryann Stephens
11/03	Jordan Briggs, Pat Nicholson	11/18	Jan Plas
11/04	Glenn Beaber	11/19	Wyatt Schmitz

BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Blvdchurch.org)
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THIS WEEK AT BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

11/17 Sunday 10:00 a.m. Reformation Sunday worship service in-person & live-streamed on Facebook; -Food Collection: Dried Lentils (preferably red) -Congregational Meeting -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.			
11/18) 6:30pm Cub Scouts	11/19) Tuesday 6:30pm Worship Committee 7:00pm EDA 7:30pm AA	11/20) Wednesday 9:30am Quilters 6:30pm Cub scouts 7:30pm NA	11/21) Thursday 7:15pm Choir Practice 7:30pm GA meets
11/22) Friday		11/23)	
11/24) Sunday 10:00 am worship service in-person & live-streamed on Facebook; -Food Collection: Instant Potatoes -We will resume our “Everything Good About God is True!” book study - please join us in the chapel			

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.

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 Nov. 13, we have received 44 pledges committing over \$135,000 towards that goal!! Please prayerfully consider the value of Boulevard Church to you, your household and our community and make your pledge (pledges still coming in). Additional pledge packets are available in the lounge or contact the church office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY CARE PACKAGES

Thank you for your continuing support of the Christmas Box Project. The schedule for the remaining weeks is as follows:

November 17 Dried Lentils (preferably red)

November 24 Instant Potatoes

December 1 Mac and Cheese & Saltine Crackers

December 8 Black or Baked Beans or any Food Items from previous weeks

Please deliver all donations to Fellowship Hall and place them on the table marked "CHRISTMAS BOX DONATIONS." Or if doing so is difficult for you, please put them in the wooden box by the mission bulletin board in the lounge and we will move them to Fellowship Hall. Monetary donations are also welcome if that is easier. Please mark your check "Christmas boxes" and place it in the offering or drop it off at the church office. Thank you so much for supporting this important ministry. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Jane Swinford at swinfordjane@gmail.com.

NOTICE OF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING November 17 immediately following worship 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.

NNEMAP'S - HARMONY FOR HUNGER Concert Don't miss the Harmony for Hunger event on Friday, November 22nd, at 7:30 PM at Linworth UMC! This evening will feature talented musicians from across Central Ohio, including the Westerville Jazz Orchestra, and promises to deliver a wonderful musical experience. As a major NNEMAP fall fundraiser, your attendance will provide you with exciting entertainment and support our vital mission at the pantry. Our silent auction will offer fantastic deals while generating much-needed revenue for our programs. Join us at 7070 Bent Tree Blvd (43235) and make a difference! Tickets may be purchased at the door.

THE PROPERTY TEAM invites you to the **Nativity Scene setup beginning Saturday, November the 30th, at 10:00AM** on the Northwest Boulevard side of the church. This annual gathering lasts about 1.5 hours. Cider, coffee, donuts and a chiminea fire will make it even more fun. There are many tasks that need to be done and lots of help will make it go fast. Come join us as we celebrate the beginning of Advent in a special way.

REALM IS HERE! Wouldn't it be great to have access to an always up to date church directory on your phone or computer? How about the ability to go online and check your giving records? Share reports and other information easily with folks on your church committee? All of this and more can be done through our new data management platform, REALM. You should have received an email this past Thursday inviting you to create your own REALM account. Please sign up and explore church communication through the cloud! Questions? Contact Jeanette (office@blvdchurch.org), Pastor Tiffany (pastor@blvdchurch.org) or finance officer Valerie Bosworth (finance@blvdchurch.org).

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.

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.

Environmentally speaking . . . RECYCLE your cups (no Styrofoam) from your favorite coffee shop or fast food restaurants. **TRASH** - lids and straws from the cups. Please **EMPTY** all liquids prior to placing them in the recycle or trash containers. Thank you, Charmaine Hamilton,



Gifts for the Holidays 2024!

Gratefully accepting donations of NEW, UNWRAPPED GIFTS for Children

*****Donors Like You Helped NNEMAP Food Pantry Provide Gifts for Nearly 1,400 Kids in 2022!**

We Need Your Help Again!!!***

Gift Suggestions or Scan QR code

- Footballs, Basketballs, Soccer Balls, Other Sports Equipment
- Dolls and Stuffed Animals • Board Games • Kitchen Toys • Art Supplies
- Hats, Gloves, Scarves, Socks • Watches, Costume Jewelry, Nail Polish
- OSU / Team Apparel • Ear Buds / Headphones • Fragrances / Cologne / Perfume
- Remote Control / Battery-Powered Toys (and Batteries!)

DELIVER GIFTS MON., DECEMBER 2 thru SAT., DECEMBER 14 TO...

NNEMAP Food Pantry • 677 E. 11th Ave • Columbus, OH 43211

(NOTE: DELIVERIES ACCEPTED BETWEEN 10AM AND 1PM MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY. TO MAKE ALTERNATE ARRANGEMENTS, PLEASE CALL 614-297-0533)

Cash donation? Visit NNEMAPPantry.org/give or mail a check to NNEMAP, Inc. to the address above

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

***The Gift Shoppe is Open December 16 thru December 19, 2024, 9am-1pm
Hosted by Travelers Rest Baptist Church 1533 Cleveland Ave • Col, OH 43211***

TO VOLUNTEER: Please contact Roy Clark at director@nnemappantry.org or call 614-297-0533

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