

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 6, 2017

10:00 AM

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

Nun danket alle Gott & God of Grace

P. Manz

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sign and Pass the Friendship Register

***PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

(Jesus told his followers "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." We greet each other with, "The peace of the Lord be with you," and respond, "And also with you," or other variations).

***Hymn #306**

Blest Be the Tie That Binds (the 1st verse only)

***Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love,
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.***

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: The Lord gives food in due season;

People: God satisfies the desire of every living thing.

Leader: Let us worship God.

***HYMN #515**

I Come with Joy

Dove of Peace

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Leader: If we claim to be sinless, we are self-deceived and strangers to the truth. If we confess our sin, God is just, and can be trusted to cleanse us from every kind of wrong, in faith and assurance, let us confess our sin together.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

O Lord our God, we confess that we don't reflect your glory. You bless so generously, but we deny your blessing to others. You provide for us so richly, but we are slow to share your gifts. Forgive us; restore and reorder our lives by the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may proclaim with gratitude the great abundance of your love, to the glory of your holy name.

***SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION**

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Leader: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The past is finished and gone, and everything has become fresh and new. Friends, believe the Good News of the gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen

Operation "BACK TO SCHOOL"

Most of us are aware that many teachers spend their own money when it comes to supplying their classrooms. Many teachers also go out of pocket to help students acquire the necessary supplies. Some students who begin the year with all the required supplies find they need replacements as the year goes on and their families are simply unable to furnish them. So guess who does? The dedicated and committed teacher, of course.

As a way to say, "thank you" to our public school teachers in this community, we are gathering supplies for "**Teacher Emergency Kits**". These kits will be filled and given to the teachers at our local primary schools along with a note of thanks and encouragement.

The particular items that will go into these kits are listed below (written by a teacher). You may wish to purchase these items yourself, or you may prefer to give a monetary donation. **Donation boxes will be in the office lobby.**

These items are always welcomed by classroom teachers

To replenish student supplies that runs low:

- ⇒ Yellow #2 Sharpened Pencils – Made in the USA, please and sharpened
- ⇒ Boxes of 24 Crayola Crayons
- ⇒ Large or Small Glue Sticks
- ⇒ Dry Erase Pens (thick or thin, black or blue)
- ⇒ Thick Crayola Markers
- ⇒ Poly/Plastic Folders with and without prongs
- ⇒ Pink/Beveled Erasers
- ⇒ Pencil Cap Erasers
- ⇒ 6x9 Plastic Supply boxes and/or shoebox size plastic boxes with lids
- ⇒ Boxes of Tissues (they use these a lot!)
- ⇒ Canisters of Clorox or Lysol brand cleaning wipes
- ⇒ Small and Large Bottles of Hand Sanitizer

WE WILL BE DEDICATING THESE KITS ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 13th. We will pray for the teachers who will receive them. Whether you choose to participate in this project or not, please join us in the coming weeks as we lift up all our schools in prayer – primary, middle, secondary and university.

Evensong - August 13, 2017

Join with other Bowling Green Churches at 7 p.m. until sunset for an evening of Music, Dessert, Prayer and Fellowship. On the Wooster Green (located on the South side of Wooster St., between Church St. and S. Grove St.) Bring finger-foods to share and a lawn chair for comfort. All ages are welcome! There will be a Children's play area, Sing-a-long time, and Vespers at sundown.

~ The Bowling Green Ministerial Association

MARTHA'S KITCHEN

On **Friday, August 18th**, our church is on call to serve dinner at **Martha's Kitchen (United Methodist Church, BG)**.

We are in need of volunteers for various jobs that need to be done. We need help on Fri. afternoon (3:30-5) to help set-up and serve or (5-6:30) helping with the clean-up.

We presently have some people making the main dishes, but we do need Jell-O or green salads and vegetable dishes. The committee is especially looking for those who would be interested in becoming part of the regular Martha's Kitchen crew. Thank you for helping feed the hungry of our community. Please see or call Eniko Szentkiralyi at 419/352-1726 to help with Martha's Kitchen.

The church's continuing legacy has left its mark on so many of us. We celebrate friendships, fellowship, baptism and even the lives those who have gone before us. Everyday acts become sacred inside these walls and with the people who worship here. Indeed, many of us have families that are made by our design in the relationships we've built.

Once again on **August 20th**, we'll be celebrating **Legacy Sunday** to discuss how we can continue the blessing of the church's legacy well into the future by planting seeds today and tomorrow that will bear fruit for years. **Call the church office to RSVP.** Generations before us have left an indelible gift for us in the financial planning that they did to ensure that the church continues to be a place for worship, friendship and families to grow in Christ and that the church and its people are a beacon for all.

There will be a light luncheon in which church members can hear about the various ways gifts to the church can be made and the last impact of those gifts. No one is going to be asked for money - this is simply an informational session for those who are interested.



*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymnal Page 582

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son,
Whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.*

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 55:1-5

Pew Bible pg.635 & Hands On Bible pg.713

SPECIAL MUSIC

Gospel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 14:13-21

Pew Bible pg.848 & Hands On Bible pg.957

CHILDREN'S TIME

(Children are dismissed to the Pray Ground in the Narthex)

SERMON

And Leftovers, As Well!

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Veni Creator Spiritus

Alexandre Guilmant

*Doxology

Hymnal Page 606

*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.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN

Fill the Cup and Share the Bread
THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(see insert)

The Invitation

One: This is the joyful feast of the people of God!

All: ***People will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at the table in the kingdom of God.***

One: This is the Lord's table. Our Savior invites all who trust in him to share in the feast which he has prepared. According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread and blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognized him.

The Thanksgiving

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: *We lift them to the Lord.*

One: Give thanks to God for God is good.

All: *God's love is everlasting.*

The Sanctus Hymnal # 552

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Distribution of the Elements

When you pass the bread to a neighbor, you may say:

"The body of Christ broken for you." **Response:** Amen.

When you pass the juice to a neighbor, you may say:

"The blood of Christ shed for you." **Response:** Amen.

(We will take the bread and hold it until all are served and then commune together at the same time; we will then do the same with the cup)

Prayer (unison)

God our help: We thank you for this supper shared in the Spirit with your Son Jesus, who makes us new and strong, who brings us life eternal. We praise you for giving us all good gifts in Him, and pledge ourselves to serve you, even as in Christ you have served us. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*HYMN # 526 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* Linstead

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Fugue on Grosser Gott, wir loben dich* H. Kihlkin

Worship Reader is Bill Crone.

Today's Prayers: Meryl DenBesten, Ginny Retterer, Denise Gotich (Carol Lashuay's daughter, Ian Santino, Ron Schnitker (father-in-law of Tammy Schnitker).

We thank **George Blackney** for being our guest organist today!

BLANKET OFFERING SUNDAY IS TODAY! Your contribution to Blanket Sunday will help people in Bowling Green, Wood County, the USA, and all around the world. 50% of your donation will go to Church World Services, and 50% will stay here to be used through our Deacon's Shop. Through our Deacon's Shop you will help provide blankets, diapers, and personal health care items to those in need in our community. The Deacons thank you for all contributions. Checks should be made payable to First Presbyterian Church and please write "blanket offering" on the memo line.

Week of August 6 thru August 12

SUNDAY	10:00 a.m.	Worship w/the receiving of the Blanket Offering
	11:15 a.m.	Refreshments and Fellowship [Fellowship Hall]
	7:00 p.m.	A.A. [Fellowship Hall]
MONDAY	2:00 p.m.	Book Group at Grounds for Thought Conference Room
TUESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Red Cross Training [Movie Cave]
		A.A. [Fellowship Hall]
WEDNESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Deacons' Shop sorting and placing of clothes
	7:00 p.m.	Congregational Care & Mission Committee meetings
		N.A. [Green Lounge]
THURSDAY	9:00 a.m.	Deacons' Shop open to provide used clothing until 11 a.m.
SATURDAY	9:00 a.m.	Red Cross Training [Movie Cave]
	11:00 a.m.	Memorial Service for David Chilson
SUNDAY	10:00 a.m.	Worship

Presbyterian Women's 2017 Rummage Sale

Presbyterian Women (PW) is once again planning a rummage sale, but this year we are extending it for two and a half days, August 17, 18, 19! That means we need lots of stuff and lots of helpers!

Contributions should be dropped off in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, August 15th. If that is not possible, arrangements can be made to store items on the third floor by calling the church office. Please clearly label your items for the rummage sale if dropped off before August 15. Due to disposal issues, we will not be accepting mattresses, computers or TVs. The sale is a great chance to declutter your home and support PW missions at the same time!

We encourage you to share this information with friends and family who might have items to donate. Helpers will be needed on Tuesday, August 15, 9-12 to move items down from the third floor. This may involve some heavy lifting, but we do have carts and the elevator.

Workers will also be needed during the three days of the sale (9-3 Thurs - Fri, and 9-12 Sat.), and for breakdown on Saturday afternoon. Sign up information will be available closer to the event, but please mark your calendars now! Funds from this event will be used by PW to support various missions, both local and international as well charitable organizations.



Good Morning, & Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!
We are glad you chose to worship with us today!

This is a MORE LIGHT Presbyterian Church!

In 1620 Pastor John Robinson sent the Pilgrims off to America with a final sermon in which he talked about “more light.” He believed that God wants us to be continually open to hearing new things from God’s Word in the Bible. A “More Light” Presbyterian church welcomes lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender persons to full participation in the life, ministry and witness of the congregation. We work to expand the inclusiveness of the Presbyterian



Church (U.S.A.). *There are no closed doors here.* **Christ Welcomes All!**

First Presbyterian Church <http://www.bgpresb.org/>
More Light Presbyterians www.mlp.org www.mlp.org

MISSION STATEMENT

The First Presbyterian Church of Bowling Green is a Christian community focused on glorifying God by being:

- welcoming in worship
- inclusive by intention
- joyful in doing justice
- steadfast in loving God and neighbor

Our worship and our downtown facility are creatively traditional – our commitment to mission and service is innovative and relentless. We strive, in all facets of our common life and mission, to be a church, “Where Christ Welcomes All.”

To our Visitors: We are so glad to have you join us for worship this morning! If you are brand-new here, please mention this to one of our greeters or ushers so we can show you around our buildings and make some introductions. To those who have visited with us often – we hope you’ll feel guided by the Lord to consider joining our church. Our church family is incomplete without you! You may put a note in the offering plate or speak with the pastors.

Worship Bags & Welcome Bags: Children can go pick out a worship bag from the holder in the narthex and find new activities each week to do during the worship service. Visitors can also pick up a Welcome Bag that will have some activities for them to do and a special trinket from the Christian Education Team for them to take home.

ALL MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH are encouraged to please wear your nametags. Thank you.

STAFF MEMBERS

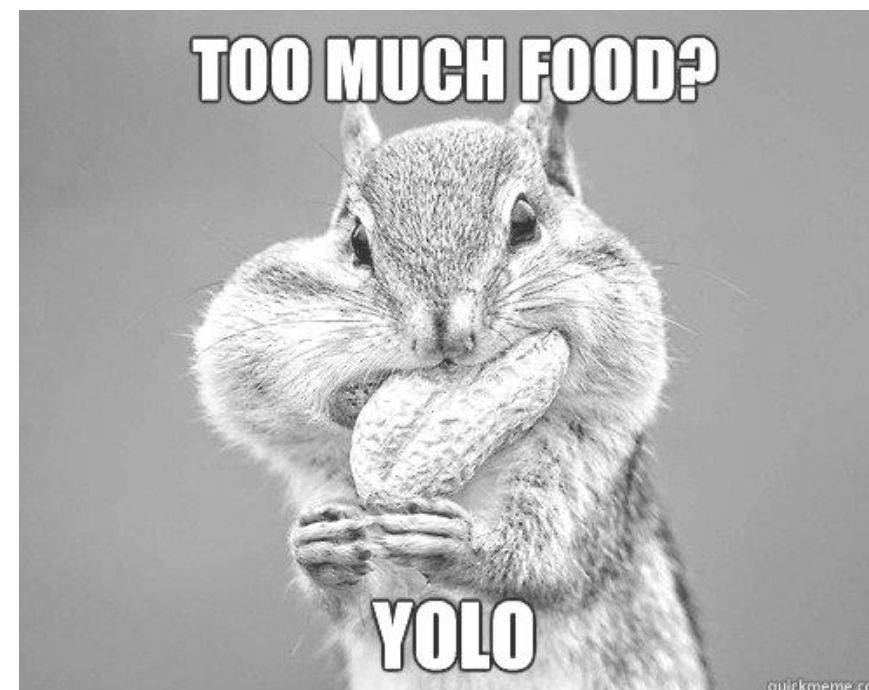
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