

July 30, 2017

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

10:00 AM

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE *Ancient of Days* Jeffery/Hughes

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: If God is for us, who can be against us?
People: **Nothing can separate us from God's love.**
Leader: Let us worship God.

***HYMN #263** *All Hail the Power of Jesus's Name* Coronation
Jason Luthy, euphonium - accompanist

***PRAYER OF THE DAY** (unison)
O sovereign God, in Jesus Christ you set your holy reign upon this earth and within your people. So let its coming be like the mustard seed that grows into greatness, and like the leaven that mixes with the grain until the whole becomes greater, to the praise of the triune God, who lives forevermore. Amen.

***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 LESSON 1 Kings 3:3-15 Pew Bible pg.293 & Hands On Bible pg. 330

SPECIAL MUSIC *The Earth is the Lord's* McAfee
Joe Amstutz, tenor

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 13:31-33 Pew Bible pg.847 & Hands On Bible pg.955

CHILDREN'S TIME
(Children are dismissed to the Pray Ground in the Narthex)

SERMON **Wisdom in the Realm of God**

***HYMN #174** *Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom* Madeleine

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory *Search Me, O God* Moore
***Doxology** Hymnal Page 609
*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**
GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN #307** *God of Grace and God of Glory* Cwm Rhondda

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** *Fanfare & Hymn* G. Martin

Worship Reader is
Today's Prayers: Denise Gotich (Carol Lashuay's daughter), Ian Santino, Ron Schnitker (father-in-law of Tammy Schnitker), Ken Weirich (Tammy Schnitker's father), and the Congregation of Adrian Presbyterian Church in Adrian, MI.

We thank Jason Luthy for his special music today.

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!

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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.

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Week of July 30 thru August 5

SUNDAY	10:00	a.m.	Worship
	11:15	a.m.	Refreshments and Fellowship [<i>Fellowship Hall</i>]
	7:00	p.m.	A.A. [<i>Fellowship Hall</i>]
MONDAY	2:00	P.M.	Book Group in the conference room at Grounds for Thought
TUESDAY	7:00	p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
	7:00	p.m.	A.A. [<i>Fellowship Hall</i>]
WEDNESDAY	9:00	a.m.	Deacons' Shop sorting and placing of clothes
	5:00	p.m.	La Conexión – English as a 2 nd language class [<i>Youth Lounge</i>]
	7:00	p.m.	N.A. [<i>Green Lounge</i>]
THURSDAY	9:00	a.m.	Red Cross Training [<i>Movie Cave</i>]
	9:30	a.m.	Deacons' Shop open to provide used clothing until 11 a.m.
SUNDAY	10:00	a.m.	Worship/Blanket Offering Sunday

BLANKET OFFERING SUNDAY- AUGUST 6th

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.