

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

September 17, 2017

10:00 AM

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE *Procession on "Westminster Abbey"* Purcell/Schulz-Widmar

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).

INTROIT *Praise the Lord in His Holy Temple* C. Yannerella

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Give ear, O my People, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth!

People: **We will tell to the coming generation of the glorious deeds of the Lord and the wonders which God has wrought.**

Leader: Let us worship the Lord together.

***HYMN #399** *God Welcomes All (sing 3 times)* Themba Amen

***CALL TO CONFESSION** Romans 14:10

Leader: Who are we to judge one another? We all stand before the judgment of God. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)**

**God our redeemer, we confess that we remain captivated by sin.
We fail in our love for you, forgetting your gracious acts.
We fail in our love for one another, forsaking our neighbors in need.
Forgive us, God of grace. Let us be no longer bound by sin, but released,
restored, set free to worship and serve you in freedom; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.**

***SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. We belong to Christ, our living God.

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

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*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 Genesis 37:1-11 Pew Bible pg.33 & Hands On Bible pg.39

ANTHEM *Teach Me, O Lord* Thomas Atwood

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Hebrews 11:1-3; 17-22 Pew Bible pg.1050 & Hands On Bible pg.1218

CHILDREN'S TIME

(children may be dismissed)

SERMON "Go, Go, Go Joseph!"

***HYMN #754** *Help Us Accept Each Other* Baronita

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Bind Us Together

*Doxology

*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.*

Gillman
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***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN #32** *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* Ellacombe

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *With Singing and Praying* John Horman

***POSTLUDE** *The Coat of Many Colors* Parton

Worship Reader is Ken Bielen.

Today's Prayers: Those devastated by Hurricane Harvey and Irma, the LIGHT Group on BGSU campus, Myrl DenBesten, Denise Gotich (Carol Lashuay's daughter), Ian Santino.

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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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.

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

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,
and 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”.

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“Go, Go, Go Joseph!”

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Week of September 17 thru September 23

SUNDAY	10:00 a.m.	Worship
	7:00 p.m.	The LIGHT Group at BGSU A.A. [Fellowship Hall]
MONDAY		OCTOBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
	2:00 p.m.	Book Group in the conference rm at Grounds for Thought
TUESDAY	6:00 p.m.	La Conexión – English as a 2 nd language class [Youth Lounge]
	7:00 p.m.	A.A. [Fellowship Hall]
WEDNESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Deacons' Shop sorting and placing of clothes
	6:00 p.m.	“We Meet” Dinner & Fellowship [Fellowship Hall]
	7:00 p.m.	N.A. [Green Lounge]
THURSDAY	9:30 a.m.	Deacons' Shop open to provide used clothing until 11 a.m.
	6:00 p.m.	La Conexión – English as a 2 nd language class [Youth Lounge]
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal in the Choir room
FRIDAY	1:00 p.m.	Newsletter Assembling & Mailing [Fellowship Hall]
SATURDAY	9:30 a.m.	Red Cross Training in the Movie Cave
SUNDAY	10:00 a.m.	Worship w/communion; receiving of Peace & Global Witness Offering
	11:30 a.m.	Peacemaking Potluck luncheon [Fellowship Hall]



WE MEET” - Join us on **Wednesday September 20th** starting at 5:30 p.m. to help create cards for the card ministry and then stick around for dinner at 6:15 p.m. Once again this year we will have a **sign-up board** in the Fellowship Hall for those who like to attend the event to sign-up to cook one of the Wednesday evening meals. We gather, pray, eat and enjoy each other's company during this low key meal. **Please indicate with a “W” by your name on the Fellowship Pad.** This aides in the preparing the correct amount of food for the evening. Everyone is welcome!



made out to Ginny. If you register please contact Nancy Hess (419-352-4788).

Presbyterian Women in MVP will be meeting at Firelands Presbyterian Church in Port Clinton on **Saturday, September 30th from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.** Featured speaker will be Matthew Grupe, Patrol Agent with the Sandusky Bay Station. He will be speaking about human and drug trafficking. Lunch will be prepared by Bistro 123, a local mission restaurant and a presentation about the establishment will be part of the program. Program w/lunch cost \$9 and should be sent to Ginny McCook, 588 Vineyard Circle, Port Clinton 43452. Checks should be

Peace & Global Witness Offering:

World Communion Sunday (10/1)

Potluck of Family Harvest Traditions ... from around the world . . .

Following the church service on **October 1**, all are cordially invited to join us for a potluck lunch to celebrate **World Communion Sunday** and to contribute to the **Peace & Global Witness Offering**. We invite everyone to choose **one savory or sweet dish** that your family enjoys during the harvest season and bring it to share. Especially welcome are dishes that one of your family members may have brought over from “home,” as they travelled from one region of the world to the U.S.



In addition to the **joy of fellowship**, we can contribute to the Presbyterian Church USA's "**Peace & Global Witness Offering**." 25% of the offering will go to a local cause: **we have considered** a local “resettlement agency” for refugees from Syria, and at our potluck, we will feature a guest speaker, Director Corine Dehabey from US Together to present on her work with Syrian refugees.