

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

August 28, 2022

10:00 AM

\*Please stand if you are comfortable standing.

**PRELUDE** *Communion* Charles Gounod

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*PASSING the PEACE**

**INTROIT HYMN** *Come Inside* M.L. Bringle/S.A. Morris

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsively) **LITURGIST: Heather McEwen Goldman**

Leader: There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

**All: There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.**

Leader: God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

**All: To each is given the gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.**

Leader: Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

**All: Come, let us worship our God.**

**\*HYMN #300** *We Are One in the Spirit (vs.1-3)* Peter Scholtes

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION** (Liturgist) *Scots Confession (Book of Confessions, 3.13)*

Leader: As the Scots Confession reminds us: "The children of God fight against sin; they sob and mourn when they find themselves tempted to do evil; and, if they fall, rise again with earnest and unfeigned repentance. They do these things, not by their own power, but by the power of the Lord Jesus, apart from whom they can do nothing." Come, let us confess our sins together.

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison) *by John Calvin*

**Eternal God, forgive us for being hesitant to love the church we have received. Forgive us for going each to our own way, and forgive us for demanding that the church go with us. Help us to remember the ministry of those who have served before us. When in danger, give us their comfort, and when in difficulty, their perseverance; that we too may be faithful until we rejoice with all the saints in your eternal kingdom, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

**\*SILENT CONFESSION**

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE HYMN #578** *Lord, Have Mercy* Oré Porajú Verekó

*O Lord, have mercy; O Lord, have mercy; O Lord, have mercy, have mercy on us.  
O Christ, have mercy; O Christ, have mercy; O Christ, have mercy, have mercy on us.*

**\*DECLARATION OF PARDON** (responsively) *Psalm 145:13-14*

Leader: The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

**All: The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.**

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** *We Are One in the Spirit (vs. 4)* **Page #300**

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**MOMENT FOR EDUCATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING** **1 Corinthians 12:12-31**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *Day by Day* Mark Schweitzer

Keri Lee Pierson, soprano & Stephen Deeter, baritone

**SERMON** *"The Church: The Body"*

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (unison) *~The Westminster Confession of Faith (Book of Confessions, 6.054)*

**By the indwelling of the Holy Spirit all believers being vitally united to Christ, who is the Head, are thus united one to another in the Church, which is his body. He calls and anoints ministers for their holy office, qualifies all other officers in the Church for their special work, and imparts various gifts and graces to its members. He gives efficacy to the Word and to the ordinances of the gospel. By him the Church will be preserved, increased, purified, and at last made perfectly holy in the presence of God.**

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** and Lord's Prayer ("debts")

**OFFERING OF OUR TITHES and GIFTS**

**Offertory** *Prelude on a Chorale* T. Tallis/W.T. Best

**\*Doxology (Unison) HYMN # 609**

*Praise God, from whom all blessing flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*HYMN #306** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* Dennis

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*And the Peace of God*

*Chaconne*

Mikhail Johnson

Louis Couperin

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** All those adversely affected by war and all acts of violence, Barbara (sister of Linda Smith), Jennifer (Mary Clarke’s niece), the family of Becky Hanson, Janet Wright Thomas, Cyndi Kuntz, Bonnie Stearns, Jan McLaughlin, Mickey Cochrane, Brenda Fowler, Ken Oman, Ann Titus, the LGBTQIA+ Community, all victims of abuse, racial inequalities, those picking up and trying to recover from surgery and loss.

**WE THANK** Keri Lee Pierson and Stephen Deeter for their gift of music.

**USHERS:** Jenny Ludwig and Anne Moser.

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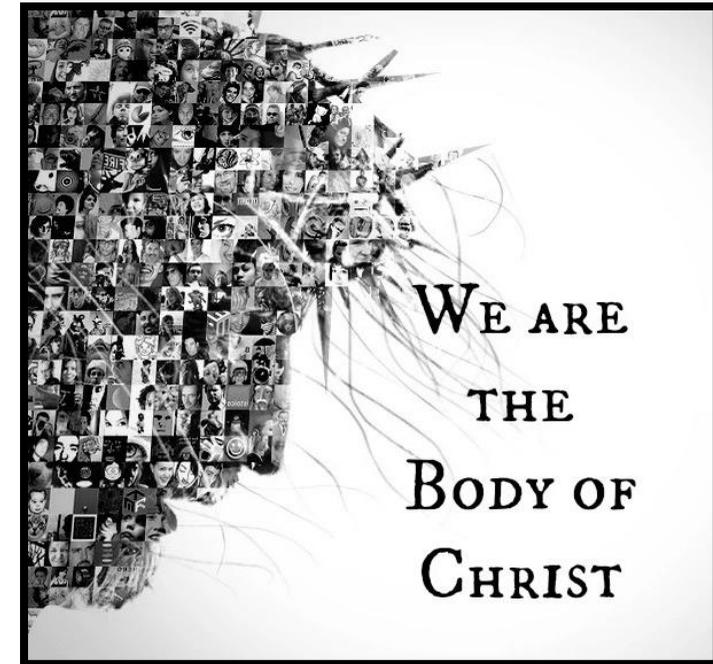
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**Volunteer Nursery Attendant** – Volunteer Nursery helpers who can assist Araya in the Nursery are needed every Sunday morning. It can be one Sunday a month or as many as you would like. Our insurance coverage at the church requires that 2 adults are present when taking care of our precious little ones. Please call Amanda Ark at 937-844-6787 or email her at [akark@bgsu.edu](mailto:akark@bgsu.edu).

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### ***We Are One in the Spirit***

1. We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored: **Refrain.**

**Refrain:**     **and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;  
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

2. We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand, and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: **Refrain.**
3. We will work with each other; we will work side by side; we will work with each other; we will work side by side, and we'll guard human dignity and save human pride: **Refrain.**

### ***Blest Be the Tie That Binds***

1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love. The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
2. Before our Maker's throne we pour our ardent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.
3. We share our mutual woes; our mutual burdens bear. And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.
4. When we are called to part, it gives us inward pain; but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.
5. From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free; and perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.

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### **Week of August 28 thru September 4**

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Refreshments &amp; Fellowship in the FH</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Meditation Group in the FH</b>
<b>MONDAY</b>		<b>OFFICE IS CLOSED</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Campus Fest at BGSU</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Membership Meeting</b>
	<b>8:00 p.m.</b>	<b>A.A. in the Fellowship Hall</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Sorting Clothes in the Deacons' Shop</b>
	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>BULLETIN DEADLINE EVERY WEDS.</b>
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Bible Study via Zoom</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Finance Meeting in the Gathering Space</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Deacons' Shop is open to the public</b>
	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Staff Mtg. Conference Room (office will be closed)</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b>
	<b>8:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Meditation Group in the FH</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>		<b>Tammy taking a vacation day</b>
	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>First Friday at Cocina de Carlos</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship w/Communion</b>



**First Friday** will be **September 2nd, 6:00 pm at Cocina de Carlos, 205 Farnsworth Rd in Waterville.** Please let Nettie Rose know if you are coming by August 31. Text Nettie at 419-262-7889 or email her at [nettierose@aol.com](mailto:nettierose@aol.com).

**Classes for BGSU have started** and that means campus fest is right around the corner! Campus fest is this Tuesday, August 30th, from 1-4pm. We are still looking for donations of snacks or \$10 gas cards. Donations can be brought to the church office or a pick-up can be planned with Amanda (937-844-6787) up until 10am the morning of the event. If you would like to help at the tent, please let Amanda or a member of the outreach team know.



## School Supplies!

Schools open soon! Please help provide supplies to students who need them. The Mission Committee would like to collect the following items:

- Dry erase pens – black, please
- Headphones (not earbuds)
- Plastic folders
- Colored pencils
- Thick Markers - classic colors

These will be given to the teachers at Crim Elementary to help students who need supplies. You can place the supplies in boxes in the lobby. If you prefer, you can also make out a check to First Presbyterian Church, and note 'school supplies' in the memo line, or donate via Paypal or Venmo. **Please bring in your donations by Sunday, September 4. Thank you!**



**Mid-week Bible Lectionary Study** by Zoom every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. The Zoom link is sent out every week by Pastor Jeff and if you are interested in joining, please let Pastor Jeff know by emailing him at [fpcbjeff@gmail.com](mailto:fpcbjeff@gmail.com).

**This next week's sermon** titled, *"Transitions: Learning to Live with Loss"* and is based on the readings from Psalm 137 and Ruth 1:1-19a. One of the ways we know that our God truly knows us and loves us is the way God attends faithfully to the full spectrum of human emotions and felt-experiences.

**Want to get to know your new FYMS** (Family & Youth Ministries Specialist)? Feel free to contact Amanda for a time to chat Christian education, ministry, and outreach, be it in her office or somewhere in the community! You can reach her at 937/844-6787, [akark@bgsu.edu](mailto:akark@bgsu.edu), or call the church office.



**Rummage Sale -Save the Date!** - The **2022 Rummage Sale** will be held **September 23-24**, later than usual, but we hope it will be as successful as past sales.

Due to limited storage space at church, we are asking people to hold their donations until two weeks before the event. **We will start accepting donations Sunday, September 11** and provide help unloading cars after church.

Items can be left in designated areas in Fellowship Hall during the hours the building is open through Wednesday September 21. Unloading assistance will also be offered on Sunday September 18 following church. More information on volunteer scheduling will be available in September. For questions, contact Susan Dunn (419-308-3491) or Nancy Hess (419-806-4788).

**Office Help to answer the phone** – Tammy will be out of the office on Friday, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> and is looking for someone to answer the phone from 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on each day. If you have a few hours that you can spare please contact her at the church office 419/352-5176.



**Youth Group!** Attention youth in grades 7-12 and their parents. Youth Group will be starting back up in the very near future! Look out for future dates and times. Our first meeting will be a get to know you night with Amanda and Pastor Jeff!

**Celebrate the Sabbath!** That is the subject of this year's Kindred Spirits Bible study. The study's focus involves the Sabbath as a celebration meant for all and as a time to focus on life and community. We meet the third Monday of the month at 4:30 p.m. in the Green Lounge. To order the study book, visit the website <https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/bible-study/celebrating-sabbath/> or call 844-797-2872 or scan the QR code. Large print, Spanish and audio editions are available. If you have questions, please call Julie Smith Maekask at 419-247-1794 (it is a landline, so no texting please).

