

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

September 11, 2022

10:00 AM

\*Please stand if you are comfortable standing.

**PRELUDE** *Auf meinen lieben Gott* Johann Hanff

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*PASSING the PEACE**

**\*INTROIT HYMN** *The Lord Is in His Holy Temple* Lloyd Larson

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsively) **LITURGIST: Libby Allen Dachik**

One: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

**All: I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.**

One: Therefore, my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

**All: For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.**

One: You show me the path of life.

**All: In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

**\*HYMN #425** *Son of God, Whose Heart Is Peace* Tama Nagakau Marie

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION** (One)

Hear these opening verses from Psalm 51 as our call to confession today: "Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment." Let us confess our sins together.

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

**Lord of Grace and Love, we come before you weary with concerns and exhausted in anxiety. We confess that we've let our comparisons to others rob us of the joy of knowing you. We confess that we fear the weight of the crosses you'd have us bear. Forgive us our sins and renew a right spirit within us. Return to us your Spirit, we pray.**

**\*CHORALE KYRIE RESPONSE HYMN** *By the Floods of Babylon*

**\*SILENT CONFESSION**

**\*DECLARATION OF PARDON** (responsively)

One: Remember these words from the Apostle Paul's letter to the church in Rome: "God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him." 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**

*Me and My Fear*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**1 Samuel 8:1-20**

**ANTHEM**

*Grant Us Your Peace*

Felix Mendelssohn

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**Matthew 26:36-44**

**SERMON**

*"Transitions: Anxiety Attacks"*

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic church; the Communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; the life everlasting. Amen.

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

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

**OFFERING of OUR TITHES and GIFTS**

Offertory *Out of the Depths I Cry to Thee* J.S. Bach

\*Doxology (Unison) HYMN # 609

*Praise God, from whom all blessings 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 #465** *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* Converse

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *May the Peace of God* K. Lee Scott

**\*POSTLUDE** *Prelude in G minor BWV 535* J.S. Bach

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** All those adversely affected by war and all acts of violence, The family of Brenda Fowler, George Farr (Carol Lashuay's brother-in-law), Joyce Kepke's granddaughter Jennifer (Mary Clarke's niece), Bonnie Stearns, Jan McLaughlin, 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.

**USHERS:** Drew Hanna and Ellyn Stout.

# First Presbyterian Church

A More Light Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
126 S. Church St., Bowling Green, OH 43402

## This is a MORE LIGHT Presbyterian Church!

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 Here!**

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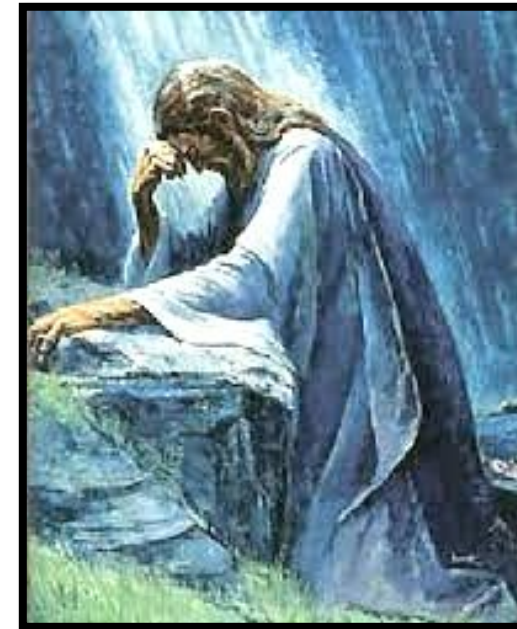


**COVID Mask Wearing** - Currently, Wood County is at medium risk for COVID. Masks are required during worship service.

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## "Transitions: Anxiety Attacks"

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### ***Son of God, Whose Heart Is Peace***

1. Son of God, whose heart is peace, Son of God, most holy, to your presence we have come; give us now your love.
2. Take away our sinfulness, evil that imprisons us; free us from what troubles us; give our souls release.
3. Warm our hearts to love you, Lord, you who died to save us; gather us within your arms, Jesus, on this day.

### ***What a Friend We Have in Jesus***

1. What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer! O what peace we often forfeit; O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!
2. Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer! Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!
3. Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious savior, still our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer! Do thy friends despise, for sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.

### **Week of Sept. 11 thru September 18**

<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>	Meditation Group in the FH
<b>MONDAY</b>		<b>OFFICE IS CLOSED</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	La Conexion Classes (Nursery, Youth Lounge, Drama Room) <b>Session Meeting in the Gathering Place</b>
	<b>8:00 p.m.</b>	A.A. in the Fellowship Hall
<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>Mission Meeting Green Lounge</b> <b>Trustees Meeting in the Gathering Place</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Deacons' Shop is open to the public</b>
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	La Conexion Classes (Nursery, Youth Lounge, Drama Room)
	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Bell Choir rehearsal</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b>
	<b>8:00 p.m.</b>	Meditation Group in the FH
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>The Breakfast Group in the FH</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Deacons' Meeting in the Green Lounge</b>



**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: Forging a Future in Faith"** based on the scripture readings, **Genesis 12:1-5a** and **Isaiah 43:14-19**. Finally, at long last, we arrive at the fully Good news of any transition, namely that transitions give space for God to declare, "See I am doing a new thing." Oftentimes, it was this "new thing" that we were seeking in change (especially those changes we pursue). Better yet, having processed our loss and overcome our anxiety, we are situated to pursue even the mysterious in the changes before us. We move into our future, fortified by our faith.



**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.

**Today we begin accepting donations for our Annual Rummage Sale** and we will 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. For questions, contact Susan Dunn (419-308-3491) or Nancy Hess (419-806-4788).

**The Breakfast Group** will be meeting on **Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m.** in the church Fellowship Hall. Our speaker will be Matt Markey, Outdoors Editor for The Blade. He plans on sharing with us some of the splendors of Northern MI. We look forward to seeing you then!



**Attention all “Ding-a-Lings”** (aka bell ringers 😊): The first Bell Choir rehearsal is this coming Thursday at 6 p.m. in the Bell Room, located in the Christian Ed Wing of the church. Questions about bells? Please call Heather at 646/326-4058.



Mark your calendars for an **Electronics Recycling Event** on **Saturday, October 8, from 10 am – 1 pm**. We are working with AIM e-cycling to have them deliver and later pick up collection boxes for your electronic items.

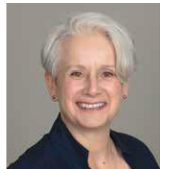
What can you e-cycle? Almost anything except the old-style TV’s (the big tube TVs) and CRT tubes. Here’s some things you can e-cycle: computers, laptops, monitors, flat screen TVs, printers, cables, speakers, cell phones, electronic games, VCR and DVD players. There’s more information on the AIM website at [aimecycling.com](http://aimecycling.com).

According to AIM’s website, they “process hundreds of tons of e-waste every month. Some devices, such as desktop & laptop computers, flat-screen monitors, cell phones, and games, can be refurbished and re-used. The remaining e-waste is separated for further processing in specialized facilities that can extract various components and precious metals. The rest is shredded into new materials and devices.”



**PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS**  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION

*“I was thinking about how participating*



*in Peace & Global Witness is so needed in our world now. As a pastor and a Christian, what I really appreciate about the Special Offerings that have the national, international, and local component is that they really do make it possible for us, as a single congregation, to participate in this larger work that we would not be able to do on our own. Then we get the nudge to look at what’s going on in our local community and how we can be actively engaged and contributing there. It’s a wonderful balance and a new kind of challenge for us every time.”*

The Rev. Charlotte Lohrenz, Faith Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, IN

**First Presbyterian of BG will be receiving the Peacemaking Offering on Sunday October 2 on World Communion Sunday. Watch for more details in the upcoming bulletins.**