

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

October 20, 2024

10:00 a.m.

\*Please stand if you are comfortable standing.

**LITURGIST: Dar Bevelhymer**

**PRELUDE** *You Say* Lauren Daigle, Jason Ingram and Paul Mabury

**WELCOMING & ANNOUNCEMENTS  
PASSING THE PEACE**

**INTROIT** *Come Inside* Sally Ann Morris  
(words are on the screen)

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsively) *Psalms 146*

One: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

**All: I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

One: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

**All: When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.**

One: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God,

**All: The Lord who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.**

One: The Lord who sets the prisoners free;

**All: The Lord who opens the eyes of the blind.**

One: The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

**All: The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.**

**\*HYMN #342** *Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor* Rhuddlan

**CALL TO CONFESSION** (liturgist) *Hebrews 4:14-16*

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Let us pray.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

**Set me free, O Lord, from faith and hope in lesser things.**

**Set me free from the illusion of happiness that enslaves me to sin.**

**Set me free with a heart that can be broken by the things that break thy heart.**

**Set me free with magnificent hope and sacred visions.**

**By thy mercy, O Lord, set me free.**

**KYRIE** *Come Bring Your Burdens to God*

Hymn #851

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**DECLARATION OF PARDON** (liturgist)

One: All the prophets testify about Christ that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name. Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

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

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Hymnal #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. (3X)*

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

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**MOMENT FOR EDUCATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Hebrews 5:1-10

**ANTHEM**

*O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord*

Christopher Tye

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Mark 10:35-45

**SERMON**

*"Marks of Leadership"*

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (unison)

*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**

**OFFERING of OUR TITHES and GIFTS**

Offertory

\*Doxology (Unison) Hymn #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



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\*HYMN #741 *Guide My Feet* Guide My Feet  
 \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION  
 \*BENEDICTION RESPONSE #80 *You Shall Go Out With Joy* Garry A Cornell  
 \*POSTLUDE *Postlude on "Hyfrydol"* David Lasky

**PRAYERS:** All those adversely affected by war and all acts of violence, all victims of hate crimes, Pat Cochrane, Linda Evans' father, Hallie Hammersmith (Kyle & Sam Hammersmith daughter), Miranda Douglas, Kat Nic, Scarlet Gensler-Nic, Marcy St. John, Linda Myers, Ken Oman, David & Minday Shaner, Scott Muellich (relatives of Scotty Huntington), Beth Apple (Rosemary's sister), Anna Beeker's parents, Jenny Breyer (niece of Mary Clarke), Mahmoud & family, the LGBTQIA+ Community, all victims of abuse, racial inequalities, those picking up and trying to recover from surgery and loss.

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***"Marks of Leadership"***

**October 20 2024**

### ***Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor***

1. Judge Eternal, throned in splendor, Lord of lords and King of kings, with your living fire of judgment purge this lad of bitter things; solace all its wide dominion with the healing of your wings.
2. Still the weary folk are pining for the hour that brings release, and the city's crowded clangor cries aloud for sin to cease, and the homesteads and the woodlands plead in silence for their peace.
3. Crown, O God, your own endeavor; cleave our darkness with your sword; feed the faithless and the hungry with the richness of your word; cleanse the body of this nation through the glory of the Lord.

### ***Guide My Feet***

1. Guide my feet while I run this race; guide my feet while I run this race; guide my feet while I run this race, for I don't want to run this race in vain!
2. Hold my hand while I run this race; hold my hand while I run this race; hold my hand while I run this race, for I don't want to run this race in vain!
3. Stand by me while I run this race; stand by me while I run this race; stand by me while I run this race, for I don't want to run this race in vain!
4. I'm your child while I run this race, I'm your child while I run this race, I'm your child while I run this race, for I don't want to run this race in vain!
5. Search my heart while I run this race; search my heart while I run this race, search my heart while I run this race, for I don't want to run this race in vain!
6. Guide my feet while I run this race; guide my feet while I run this race; guide my feet while I run this race, for I don't want to run this race in vain!

### **Week of Oct. 20 thru Oct. 27**

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship Service w/Communion</b>
	<b>11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>LGBTQ+ History presentation (Green Lounge)</b>
		<b>Deacons meeting (Library)</b>
	4:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts (Green Lounge)
	7:00 p.m.	Meditation/Recovery Group (Green Lounge)
<b>MONDAY</b>		<b>OFFICE IS CLOSED</b>
	<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Kindred Spirits Circle (Library)</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>		<b>November newsletter deadline</b>
	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Book Group (Green Lounge)</b>
	5:30 p.m.	La Conexion ESL classes
	6:30 p.m.	Overeaters Anonymous (Green Lounge)
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Membership meeting (Library)</b>
	8:00 p.m.	A.A. (FH)
<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>We Meet meal &amp; fellowship time (FH)</b>
	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Staying Sane during Politics presentation (FH)</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Deacons' Shop is open to the public</b>
		<b>Staff mtg. in Pastor Jeff's office</b>
	5:30 p.m.	La Conexion ESL classes
	7:00 p.m.	Meditation Group (FH)
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Pairs &amp; Spares at Amanda Ark's home</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
	<b>11:30 p.m.</b>	<b>LGBTQ+ History presentation (Green Lounge)</b>



#### ***Staying Sane During Political Insanity w/ Rev. Katie***

**Treadway:** Rev. Katie Treadway is the pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Tiffin, Ohio, a recently-licensed clinical counselor, and my co-leader for Bible Study at Camp Rejoice

this past summer. Her pastoral spirit pairs with her clinical insights to help her nurture folks through the anxieties, depressions, sublimations, and maladaptive habits that plague us all when we're under stress. And, for this year at least, one of the greatest stressors is around politics and the presidential election. To be clear, this discussion will be about us – our mental health, our well-being – more than it is about politics, per se. But if you've ever found your mood change, your heart rate increase, your blood boil, your eyes weep, and/or your fists clench when hearing this or that political news report, then learning from Rev. Treadway this evening is for you.

# LGBTQ+ History

The Outreach and Christian Nurture committees invite you to attend special educational presentations after worship each Sunday in October starting October 13th to celebrate LGBTQ+ History Month through the history of their acceptance in our congregation and the work being done in our community.

All sessions are after worship (11:30ish) in the Green Lounge!

**Sunday October 13th**  
BGFPC's Movement to become a MORE Light congregation with Marcy St. John

**Sunday October 20th**  
MORE Light's history and actions with a MORE Light leader via ZOOM

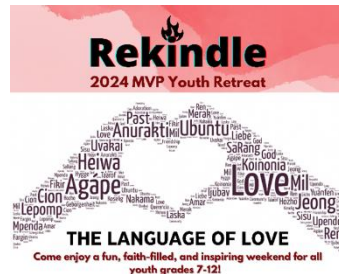
**Sunday October 27th**  
BGO PRIDE's history and work in the community as well as what BGO would love to see from BGFPCC presented by the BGO Pride Board of Directors

Learn the history and then get involved!



**BG Trick or Treat is October 31st!** If you want to hand out candy but don't have a house to do so in join us in our green space to give treats to Trick or Treaters on that day! See Amanda for more details.

Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to register for the **Re-Kindle retreat** at Kirkmont Center from: Nov. 11th - Nov. 13th 2022 Join us for a time of renewal and learning! See Amanda for more details or to sign up.



**On All Saints Day We Remember.** On Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will observe All Saints Day in worship. The centerpiece of this annual worship service is the necrology reading wherein every church member who has left this life and entered life eternal is named and remembered. Of course, for many of us, our friends and family extend around the country and aren't necessarily members.

So, if you have had someone die since last November 1 and would like them to be named during the necrology, please email Pastor Jeff at [fpbgjeff@gmail.com](mailto:fpbgjeff@gmail.com). Include the first and last name of the person you want acknowledged during the service. If their name is difficult to say, please also send a pronunciation key too. **All names must be submitted to Pastor Jeff no later than Tuesday, October 29.**

## NEW FPC DIRECTORY

The Membership Committee is pleased to announce that our new directory has been printed and bound. It is available now at the church. **To help offset the printing costs, we're hoping for \$10 gifts for each printed version of the directory given out.** Digital PDF versions will also be available at no cost. Linda Evans will be handing out church directories after worship on Sunday. Email Tammy Schnitker at [firstpresbyterianbg@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresbyterianbg@gmail.com) for a digital copy. Three cheers to the Membership Committee for giving us the tools necessary to grow our connections together!



**Jingle Jumble Christmas Sale -** The **Jingle Jumble** sale of gently used Christmas decorations and decor will return again this year on **Saturday, November 23 in Fellowship Hall.** Items donated for sale can be dropped off in Fellowship Hall starting November 10. All proceeds from the sale support the Choral Scholars program.

**Pairs and Spares will be this Saturday at 7pm** at the home of Amanda (300 Napoleon Rd Apt F60) for finger foods and spooky themed games. BYOB and make sure your cell phone is charged for the games! RSVP to Amanda by Friday afternoon!

