

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 17, 2024

10:00 a.m.

*Please stand if you are comfortable standing.

LITURGIST: Corban Hutchins

PRELUDE

Arioso
1st Presby Bell Choir

Michael Helman

**WELCOMING & ANNOUNCEMENTS
PASSING THE PEACE**

INTROIT

The Lord is In His Holy Temple

Lloyd Larson

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Proverbs 11:24-25; 19:17; 21:23; 22:9

One: One person gives freely, yet gains even more;

All: Another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty.

One: A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

All: Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will reward them for what they have done.

One: Whoever shuts their ears to the cry of the poor will also cry out and not be answered.

All: The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.

***HYMN #316**

Where Charity and Love Prevail

Twenty-Fourth

CALL TO CONFESSION (liturgist)

Our Lord says, "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Friends, we've all fallen short of this ideal. Let us confess our sins and entrust our lives to the hands of our gracious God. Let us pray.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

One: Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

All: God of grace, you have called us to give ourselves completely to you. Yet, we often hold back part for worldly pursuits.

One: Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

All: You have given us the gift of time. You give us time to serve, time to learn, time to grow, time to share. We spend our time serving ourselves.

One: Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

All: You provide us with opportunity to serve in numerous ways using the talents and abilities we have been given. We tend to hide our gifts.

One: Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

All: You have provided even the least among us with more financial resources than most of the world. We resist sharing because of fear for the future.

One: Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

All: You have provided us with a beautiful creation to enjoy. We take it for granted and abuse this incredible earth.

One: Lord, in your mercy, forgive us.

**SILENT CONFESSION
KYRIE**

Lord Have Mercy

DECLARATION OF PARDON (liturgist)

One: Amen. While God knows our sin, God also hears our cries. In our sin, God still reaches out to forgive and restore us. Having confessed our sins friends, believe in the Good News of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Hymnal #583

*"Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!"*

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
MOMENT FOR EDUCATION**

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:17-22

ANTHEM

Savior of the Nations, Come

Bach, Pachelbel, arr. Evelyn Larter
Jane Anderson, trumpet

**SCRIPTURE READING
SERMON**

Mark 12:38-44

A Giving Heart

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 OUR TITHES and GIFTS

Offertory *We Gather Together* Dan R. Edwards

*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

*HYMN #711 *Lord of All Good* Toulon

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Send Me, Jesus* Trad. South African Tune

*POSTLUDE *Fughetta in A* Charles Burney
(you are welcome to leave during the Postlude)



Venmo

We thank Jane Anderson for sharing her gift of music with us today.

PRAYERS: All those adversely affected by war and all acts of violence, all victims of hate crimes, Pat Cochrane, Miranda Douglas, Kat Nic, Scarlet Gensler-Nic, Lyn Long, Marcy St. John, Linda Myers, Ken Oman, David & Minday Shaner, Scott Muellich (relatives of Scotty Huntington), 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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Where Charity and Love Prevail

1. Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found; brought here together by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
2. Let us recall that in our midst dwells Christ, God's holy Son. As members of each body joined, in him we are made one.
3. Let strife among us be unknown; let all contentions cease. Be God's the glory that we seek; be his our only peace.
4. Let us forgive each other's faults as we our own confess, that we may love each other well in Christian gentleness.
5. Love can exclude no race or creed if honored by God's name; our common life embraces all whose Maker is the same.

Lord of All Good

1. Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you; use them you holy purpose to fulfill, tokens of love and pledges brought anew, that our whole life is offered to your will.
2. We give our minds to understand your ways; hands, eyes, and voice to serve your great design; heart with the flame of your own love ablaze, till for your glory all our powers combine.
3. Father, whose bounty all creation shows; Christ, by whose willing sacrifice we live; Spirit, from whom all life in fullness flows: to you with grateful hearts ourselves we give.



The **Jingle Jumble Christmas sale** will be back again this year **9 am - 3 pm on Saturday, November 23th**. If you have items you would like to donate to the sale, we will **accept donations of Christmas decorations/decor starting on Tuesday, November 12 through Thursday**

November 21. Items should be left in the designated drop off area in Fellowship Hall. Please do not leave your donated decorations in the lobby.

Funds raised through this event help fund our Choral Scholars. If you would like to volunteer during the set up or the Saturday event, please contact Susan Dunn (sudunn@gmail.com) or Nancy Hess (nhess1581@yahoo.com). Volunteer sign-up sheets will be posted in Fellowship Hall.

Week of Nov 17 thru Nov 24

SUNDAY	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service/Stewardship Sunday
	11:15 a.m.	Refreshments & Fellowship in FH
	11:30 a.m.	Deacons' meeting (Library)
	4:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts (Green Lounge)
	7:00 p.m.	Meditation/Recovery Group (Green Lounge)
MONDAY		OFFICE IS CLOSED & SET-UP for JINGLE JUMBLE SALE
	4:30 p.m.	Kindred Spirits (Green Lounge)
TUESDAY		December Newsletter Deadline
		Deadline for Nov. 24th & Dec. 1 bulletin
	10:00 a.m.	MVP Presbytery Mtg.
	1:00 p.m.	Book Group (Green Lounge)
	5:30 p.m.	La Conexion ESL classes
	7:00 p.m.	Christian Nurture mtg.
	8:00 p.m.	A.A. (FH)
WEDNESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Sorting Clothes in the Deacons' Shop
	6:00 p.m.	Transgender Day of Remembrance Service (here)
	6:30 p.m.	Community Potluck dinner (FH)
THURSDAY	9:30 a.m.	Deacons' Shop is open to the public
		Staff meeting in Pastor Jeff's office
	5:00 p.m.	Worship Committee meeting
	5:30 p.m.	La Conexion ESL classes
	6:00 p.m.	Bell rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Choir rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Meditation Group (FH)
SATURDAY	9:00 a.m.	Jingle Jumble Sale (FH)
SUNDAY	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	7:00 p.m.	Community Thanksgiving @ 1st United Methodist

2024 BG Community
THANKSGIVING
SERVICE

Sunday,
November 24
7:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
1526 E. Wooster St, Bowling Green

EVERYONE IS WELCOME
Rev. Dr. Judy Utsler Preaching
Combined Churches Choir

Sponsored by the Bowling Green Ministerial Association

Trans Day of Remembrance

Join BGO PRIDE and the community in a time of remembering those Trans lives lost. Moving from darkness into light.

Wednesday November 20th

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL*
6:00 PM
 We will hold the service with the reading of the names outside in the park.

COMMUNITY POTLUCK DINNER
6:30PM
 Join us for a time of community for a Potluck dinner in the green lounge at the church. Bring a dish to share if you can!

@ 126 S. Church Street
 *Rain/Cold location moved to inside the church building.

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 for a digital copy.

The **Membership and Hospitality committee** would like to encourage more people to sign up to help with coffee hour. You can either provide food or set up/clean up. Simple directions are in the kitchen. This is a much-needed way to help with our fellowship. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall or contact Kathy Sweeney.



The Deacons' Christmas Breakfast Ministry is December 14th. We have a long-standing tradition of helping those who are having a hard time around the holiday season. The need for assistance is no different this year with the cost of everything rising. The Deacons are asking the congregation to consider donating to help support this event. Participating families and individuals will receive a \$100 Aldi gift card. Children will receive a \$30 Walmart gift card. **To make a donation, please write a check payable to the First Presbyterian Church and note "Deacons' Xmas" on the memo line. Donations can also be made through Venmo and PayPal.**

Join the Deacons for a wonderful event that will fill your heart with the grace of the holiday season. The Deacons are looking for volunteers to help with the event held at the Wood County Senior Center on Grove St. **You can volunteer using the form below and placing it in the donation plate or sign-up on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall.**

December 13
 Set-Up at W.C. Senior Center (set-up time to be determined)

December 14
 Kitchen Staff - 8:00 – 10:30 (Prepare breakfast with Paul Dauch, WCCOA Facility Manager)

Serve Breakfast – 9:30 – 11:00

Guest Check In - 9:00 – 11:30

Hosts – 9:00 – 11:30 (Direct people to the breakfast, help carry trays, answer questions)

Bus Tables – 10:00 – 11:00

Clean-up – 11:00 – 12:00 (Final wipe down of tables, remove decorations)



The 3rd Annual International Students' Thanksgiving Event will be hosted at the First Presbyterian Church Bowling Green Fellowship Hall on Friday 29th November from 1 pm to 4 pm (the day after Thanksgiving). This event was created to promote inclusion and also address a concern with International Student's on Campus. The event this year will take the form of a Thanksgiving themed dinner and special activities in the evening.

- Any member willing to help can sign up for the following:
- **Transportation services-To and from BGSU at 12:30 pm and at 4:30 pm.**
 - **Cooking – Help prepare the meal at the venue.**
 - **Potluck Contribution-bring or donate a dish.**
 - **Clean -up**
 - **Attend and dine with the students.**

Any further information please contact **O'Leo at 419 806 9952.**