



Take up your cross and follow me

Service for the Lord's Day

July 7, 2024

The Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

Gathering Around the Word of Worship

Striking of the Hour

Welcome

Prelude

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Isaac Watts

We Rise in Spirit and in Body

Call to Worship (responsive)

We come from the day-to-day busyness of our lives. **We come with cares and worries, joys and celebrations.** Let us set it all aside and enter this time of worship. **May our hearts and minds be open to what God might say to us this day.** Trusting always in the Spirit to meet us. **Let us gather to worship God!**

Opening Hymn 187

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

BRADBURY

Call to Confession

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Gracious God, we live in the tension of what we are called to be and our lived reality. We often fall short of the good we intend and our growing in the likeness of Christ is painfully slow at best. Forgive us we pray. Offer us the peace that passes all understanding that we might be forgiven and begin anew. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

A Silence is observed for Personal Confession



Confessional Hymn

KYRIE

*Lord, have mercy upon us,
Christ, have mercy upon us,
Lord, have mercy upon us*

Declaration of Good News

Passing the Peace of Christ (responsive)

Wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here in this safe and sacred place. So let us greet one another as a sign of God's peace. The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Hearing the Word

All Sit

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading (responsive)

Psalms 48

Great is the LORD, and most worthy of praise,
in the city of our God, his holy mountain.

**Beautiful in its loftiness, the joy of the whole earth,
like the heights of Zaphon is Mount Zion, the city of the Great King.**

God is in her citadels; he has shown himself to be her fortress.

**When the kings joined forces, when they advanced together,
they saw her and were astounded; they fled in terror.**

Trembling seized them there, pain like that of a woman in labor.

You destroyed them like ships of Tarshish shattered by an east wind.

**As we have heard, so we have seen in the city of the LORD Almighty,
in the city of our God:**

God makes her secure forever.

Within your temple, O God, we meditate on your unfailing love.

Like your name, O God, your praise reaches to the ends of the earth;
your right hand is filled with righteousness.

Mount Zion rejoices, the villages of Judah are glad because of your judgments.

Walk about Zion, go around her, count her towers,

consider well her ramparts, view her citadels,

that you may tell of them to the next generation.

For this God is our God for ever and ever;

he will be our guide even to the end.

Anthem

My Jesus I Love Thee

William R. Featherston

All Stand

Gospel Reading

A Prophet Without Honor

Mark 6: 1-13

Jesus left there and went to his hometown, accompanied by his disciples. When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed.

“Where did this man get these things?” they asked. “What’s this wisdom that has been given him? What are these remarkable miracles he is performing? Isn’t this the carpenter? Isn’t this Mary’s son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren’t his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him.



Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home.” He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Jesus Sends Out the Twelve

Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village. Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits.

These were his instructions: “Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them.”

They went out and preached that people should repent. They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

All Sit

Sermon

Shake It Off

Tim Leigh

Responding to the Word

All Stand

Response Hymn 462

I Love to Tell the Story

HANKEY

Affirmation of Faith (unison)

from *Belonging to God: A First Catechism*

We believe when Jesus spoke, he spoke with God’s authority. When Jesus acted, he acted with God’s power. Jesus amazed people with his deeds of power, but he was also gentle and loving. Even now, he cares for us in all our needs, as a shepherd cares for sheep. Jesus also called his disciples to follow him. Jesus fed the hungry, healed the sick, blessed children, befriended outcasts, required people to repent, and forgave their sins. He taught people not to fear, but to always trust in God. He preached the good news of God’s love and gave everyone hope for new life. We live our lives in gratitude for the person and work of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Offering

Offertory

*Caprice Variations for Unaccompanied Violin
#43 Andantino*

George Rochberg

Doxology

DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sealing the Word in the Sacrament

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (responsive)

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your heart.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

.... So, with all those in every time and place who have called upon you expectantly, we rejoice in your gracious presence, singing:

SANCTUS

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*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Music at Communion

My Jesus, I Love Thee

William R. Featherston

Bearing and Following the Word into the Created World

Closing Hymn 649

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

NEW BRITAIN

Benediction

Postlude

*Violin and Piano Sonata in A
Movement 1*

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Announcements

USHERS: Polen and Thomison families

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LAY READER: Rob Hale

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LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAY July 15: 2 Samuel 6:1–5, 12b–19; Psalm 24; Ephesians 1:3–14; Mark 6:14–29

TODAY

DEACONS OF THE WEEK this week will be Catherine Reber. Deacons assist the Pastor in caring for our congregation. You may contact them through the church office: 270-843-4707.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES WILL NOT meet in the month of July and will resume after the ‘Pig Pickin’.

WE WELCOME, husband-and-wife team, CARLOS MARTINEZ AND JULIANNA WALLER-MARTINEZ, who are ministering in music today. Co-owners/founders of Essential Music LLC and Sandpiper Records, they have composed, recorded and produced numerous works for classical violin, piano and orchestra. They share their passion for string/music education and chamber music ensembles with students at Essential Music LLC in Alvaton, Kentucky. Julianna has a broad and distinguished violin performing career having performed and toured with major symphonies and pop artists and is locally well known for her work with the Red River Fiddlers. Carlos is an accomplished pianist who is in demand as a collaborative and solo pianist. He is a skilled hymn composer and has established Sembrare Music Ministry, which proclaims the goodness of the Lord, the salvation He affords, and the hope humanity has only in the good news, the gospel. Many of us will recall their exquisite performance of their composition “Soundscape” last fall. We welcome them back to The Presbyterian Church of Bowling Green.

Carlos and Julianna invite you to their upcoming studio concert on August 4th, 2024, at The Capitol. The concert will feature Vivaldi’s The Seasons. Tickets are \$10 and available at <https://capitolbg.org/get-tickets/> They also invite you to participate in a silent auction to support Essential Music’s diverse programs and scholarships. For more information visit <https://essentialmusic.org/events/>. You may also purchase tickets at the Essential Music website.

COMING UP:

SAVE THIS DATE: This year’s **Pig Pickin’** church picnic will take place on Sunday August 18. Plan to join us for outdoor worship and fellowship, with good food and fun!

AUGUST 24th 6:30-8:30pm – *Sunset Jazz* featuring **Jazz West**. The Peggy and Larry Pack concert series is partnering with Traveler’s Cellar Winery of Fuqua Road in Rockfield. This is a new place and partnership, and we are excited to offer another great night of jazz, food, and refreshments at this beautiful venue. Bring lawn chairs and a lot of friends as we reach out to our community.

OTHER NEWS

LAY READERS NEEDED FOR JULY A signup page is online for upcoming lay readers in the coming weeks. If you are willing to serve on one Sunday, please visit this link and sign up for a date. Lay reader information will be emailed on the Friday prior to the date. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e49acac23a7ff2-layreader> Thank you!

OUR PRESCHOOL LEARNING CENTER has now finished classes for this term. Registration is currently open for next year’s classes for 2, 3, and 4-year-olds. Spaces remain in all classes, so if you or someone you know are interested in a quality preschool for a child, please visit our website or contact Kimberly Watkins at plcdirector@bgpres.org .

AN INVITATION - DAVID CLARKE will be heading back home at the end of the summer to begin a new job in Northern Ireland. **Save the date of August 10th** at 5:00pm for his send-off celebration, to be held at Sandy Franklin's home. More details coming soon!

SATURDAY MEALS – The next Presbyterian Church hosting of Saturday Meals will be August 10, 2024. Mark your calendars. If anyone would like to sign up for inside helpers or drivers, please contact Lovelyn at lovelynab@yahoo.com; or ceceliamemorial1234@outlook.com or leave a message at 270-935-5110. **ALSO – THE ALL CHURCH WEEKEND** is July 6th. We need several drivers, inside workers in the kitchen and set-up. I will be away until Saturday afternoon/ evening. Can I please get a couple of folks to check in before the end of next week? I will be leaving on July 27th. Again, we need several drivers and inside workers. Thanks in advance for your help –Lovelyn

THE AFTER CHURCH EATING OUT GROUP will not meet during June, July, and August. We will resume our lunch gatherings in September.

WELCOME VISITORS!

We invite you to pick up visitor's information on your way out, either in the narthex or on the table on the Right in the downstairs entrance hall. Ushers will be standing by to help you find them. Always know that a cordial greeting is extended by ministers, officers, and congregation.

Clerk of Session: Debbie Trickey **Treasurer:** Steve Moore

Elders: Class of 2024-Frederica Kernohan, Tim Leigh, Bobby Rabold, Debbie Trickey, Larry Warden; Class of 2025-Karol Kirby Ahmed, Buzz English, Pamela Napier, Julia Roberts, Julie Wedge; Class of 2026-Pam Bratcher, Rachel Crocker, J.B. Hines, Susan Howard, Mike Kanan **Deacons:** Class of 2024 Trudy Burkeen, Evan Goad, Linda Leigh, Catherine Reber, Susan Thomison; Class of 2025-Barbara Brindle, Craig Long, Teri Polen, Ernie Small, Dan Stelling, Fred Trickey; Class of 2026- Phil Burkeen, Kim Ferguson, Kathy Higgins, Brianna Trickey

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Calendar

Sunday, July 7

8:30 a.m. Fellowship
10:30 a.m. Worship

Monday, July 8

9:00 a.m. GOD/DOG is Love

Tuesday, July 9

9:30 a.m. Chair Yoga
11:00 a.m. Special Care
7:00 p.m. Sunny 16 Camera Club

Wednesday, July 10

7:00 a.m. Breakfast Group

Friday, July 12

7:30 a.m. Mens' Breakfast

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