

# balmoral presbyterian church

## service of worship



June 15, 2025

**Holy Trinity Sunday** 

11:00am

Chiming of the Hour

Bells of Balmoral

**Welcome & Announcements** 

Rev. Mark Howland

#### **GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

Prelude "When Thou Art Near" J.S. Bach

Linda Warren, pianist

\*Call to Worship Mary Schmitz, Liturgist

Leader: When God's people gather for worship, **People:** Surely the Spirit of God is in this place.

Leader: When every voice is heard and everyone is made welcome,

People: Surely the Spirit of God is in this place.

Leader: When every age and all colors are welcome,

People: Surely the Spirit of God is in this place.

Leader: When we carry God's welcome out into the world **People:** Surely the Spirit of God will be in every place.

Leader: When we tell the story of peace and justice with our lives,

People: Surely the Spirit of God will be in every place.

Leader: When we live in love and harmony with all people,

People: Surely the Spirit of God will be in every place.

\*Gathering Song 1 "Ho

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

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## **Prayer of Confession**

Holy Spirit, Lord, Giver of Life, we remember and celebrate our power this day. But not too much, for we are afraid of your power. You blow where you choose. We cannot control you. We often act as if you do not exist, or fail to see your work among those unlike us. Spirit of God, forgive our fear. Blow through us this day! Give our young new visions and our old new dreams, enlivening your church again.

(Time of silence to lift personal confessions)

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

\*Congregational Response Hymn

"Glory Be to the Father"

**GLORIA PATRI** 

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost!

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever will be,

World without end. Amen. Amen

Share the Peace of Christ

Musical Offering "Come Peace of God" Eugene Butler

HEARING THE WORD

Children's Message

## **Invitation to Centering Silence**

Be still. Prepare yourself to hear the Word of God.

## **Prayer for Illumination**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** Zechariah 13:7-9

Gospel Reading Matthew 3:11-12

**Sermon** Spirit Fire

**Silent Reflection** In the silence, attend to what the Spirit has given you.

#### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\* Song of Response 407 (vss 1, 2, 3) "Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers"

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\*Affirmation of Faith

Brief Statement of Faith 11.4

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit
who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

## **Prayer of God's People**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

## Offering

Please place tithes and offerings in the brass plates. Children will collect quarters to provide funds to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Fund. Place Pennies for Hunger in the glass jar near the sanctuary doors for our Food Pantry. Pass the Friendship Pads along the row, then pass it back down the row and greet those in your row after worship.

Offertory "Lead Me, Lord" Samuel Wesley arr. Fred Bock Linda Warren, pianist

\*Hymn 710 "We Lift Our Voices" OFFERING

We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

Lord use our voices; Lord use our hands; Lord use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you:

we are an offering; we are an offering.

**Prayer to Dedicate the Gifts** 

\*Sending Song 372 (vss 1, 2 & 5) "O for a World" AZMON

**Charge and Blessing** 

\*Benediction Response

"Lord Let Us Leave Now"

OLD ENGLISH TUNE

Lord, let us leave now, filled with You anew, and pledged to Your service in all that we do.

Though we have some questions, our faith in You is sure.

We know You are with us, Your way will endure.

Lord, let us leave now, filled with You anew, and pledged to Your service in all that we do.

Postlude "March" Christoph W. von Gluck
Linda Warren, pianist

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- All responsive readings are shown with normal type for the leader and the bold portions are read in unison by all.
- \* indicates those who are able, please stand

## **OUR MISSION:**

We are an open community who believes God is love and who lives our belief through praise and service.



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## **JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

Jack Orians (15); William Warren (25); Rose Lucas (26)

## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Cathy and Clinton Bailey (16); Fran and Phil Shannon (17); Margaret Mullins and Gary Reese (27); Elizabeth Dick and Ron Serino (27)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- WE THANK OUR WORSHIP LEADERS for enhancing our worship this morning! Thank you to the Balmoral choir, directed by Ben Legett, Linda Warren, pianist, and Mary Schmitz, Liturgist.
- EARTH CARE TIP of the MONTH for JUNE: make a weekly trip to purchase from a local farmer's market
- **CREATION STATION:** BPC loves the children to be a part of our worship service. We invite families to allow children to join at our Creation Station which is located in the back of the sanctuary. We ask that a responsible adult sit in the back row in case a need arises.
- RESCHEDULED!!! THE MID-SOUTH PRIDE PARADE which was cancelled due to weather on June 7 has been rescheduled for Saturday, June 21 at noon. If you signed up to participate on June 7, please plan on meeting no later than 11:30am. If you did not sign up for June 7 because of a scheduling conflict, please text or email Pastor Mark and you will be added to the list and group chat. Let's represent Balmoral PC well and support this portion of our community.
- APPRECIATION RECEPTION: Come to a reception following worship on Sunday, June 29 to
  express our gratitude and appreciation to our retiring Director of Music Ministry, Ben Legett.
  Ben's final day at Balmoral Presbyterian is July 1. Feel free to bring cards and notes of
  appreciation to give Ben as well.
- **COFFEE-TIME SNACKS:** Don't forget to sign up for coffee-time snacks!
- **GIVING OPPORTUNITIES:** We are collecting much needed items for our community; Please don't forget to bring your donations for:
  - The Food Pantry needs staples from our Food Cart!
  - Supplies for the Hospitality bags
  - o Place used toothbrushes & empty toothpaste in the box in the Food Cart for recycling.

- UPCOMING ACTIVITIES ON THE CALENDAR: (see the BPC website for more information!)
  - TUESDAYS with TED meets every Tuesday, 8:00am. at Cracker Barrel on Hacks Cross Rd.
  - CHAIR YOGA meets every Tuesday and Thursday, 12:30pm in Classroom A
  - (SUNDAY STUDIES will not meet until Fall)
  - (CHOIR REHEARSAL will be meeting announced as needed.)
  - o WRITER'S CIRCLE, Monday, June 16, 1:00pm in Classroom A
  - o **SESSION MEETING, Monday, June 16,** 6:30pm in the Upper Room
  - o CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED for JUNETEENTH HOLIDAY, Thursday, June 19 all day
  - o THURSDAY SMALL GROUP, Thursday June 19, 10:15am in Classroom A
  - o BPC SISTERS TEA PARTY, Friday, June 20, 5:00pm at Amerigo's
  - o PRIDE PARADE, Saturday, June 21, 12:00 noon on Beale Street
  - o WORSHIP, Sunday, June 22, 11:00am
  - o SANDWICH MAKING PROJECT, June 22, right after Worship in Classroom A
  - o WORSHIP, Sunday, June 29, 11:00am
  - o **RECEPTION for BEN LEGETT, Sunday, June 29,** after worship
  - o OPERATIONS TEAM, Wednesday, July 2, 4:30pm in Classroom A
  - o THURSDAY SMALL GROUP, Thursday, July 3, 10:15am in Classroom A
  - o CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED for INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY, Friday, July 4, all day
  - o WORSHIP, Sunday, July 6, 11:00am
  - WRITER'S CIRCLE, Monday, July 7, 1:00pm in Classroom A
  - o WORSHIP, Sunday, July 13, 11:00am
  - o LUNCH WITH MARK, Sunday, July 13, 12:30pm in Classroom A