



balmoral presbyterian church

service of worship



October 12, 2025

18th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00am

Chiming of the Hour

Bells of Balmoral

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Mark Howland

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

"As the Deer"

Martin Nystrom

Linda Warren, pianist

Setting by Douglas E. Wagner

***Call to Worship**

Janice Hill, Liturgist

Leader: Listen for the still, small voice that is calling you.

People: The still, small voice has called us here this morning.

Leader: Come as you are and know that the Lord welcomes you without hesitation.

People: We enter here dirtied by life and awaiting the cleaning of our souls by the Spirit.

Leader: You have been invited into this place to worship the Lord who calls you by name.

People: Hearing our name called, we come and worship the One who shows only love.

***Gathering Song 41**

"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"

LYONS

Prayer of Confession

O God, you heal our brokenness, and pour your gifts of love upon us. Yet we do not extend your healing love to others. You have called us to be one in Christ, yet we withhold our love from those we disagree with. There is only one Lord, Jesus Christ, but we want to serve him our own way. There is only one faith, but we want to write its theology. There is only one God and Father of us all, yet we want to choose who will be our siblings. Forgive us for participating in the brokenness of the body of Christ, when You call us to participate in its healing. Restore us and make us whole in Christ.

(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

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit” African American Spiritual
arr. Joseph T. Jones, 20th Century, Adapted by Melva Wilson Costen, 1990

HEARING THE WORD

Children’s Message

Invitation to Centering Silence

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

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Epistle Reading

Luke 17:11-19

Sermon

Becoming Clean

Silent Reflection

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

***Song of Response 490** “Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters ”

BEACH SPRING

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Affirmation of Faith *(First 3 Questions from the Westminster Confession Shorter Catechism)*

Question 1: What is the chief end of humanity?

Answer: Humanity’s chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy God forever.

Question 2: What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy God?

Answer: The Word of God which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy God.

Question 3: What do the Scriptures principally teach?

**Answer: The Scriptures principally teach what humanity is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of humanity.
This is what we believe.**

Prayers of Intercession

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.

Outreach Moment For Mission

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

"Andante"

Gluck

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 539

"We will Go Out with Joy "

WE WILL GO OUT WITH JOY

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

"Shout On"

John Hatton

Linda Warren, pianist

arr. Anna Laura Page

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- * indicates those who are able, please stand

REMEMBER to WEAR YOUR NAMETAGS!

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Leiza Collins (16); Cathy Bailey (17); James Lucas (22); Heather Baldick (23);
Eleanor Thomas (29); Fran Addicott (31); Bill Thomas (31)

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Lori and Mitchell Lucas (23)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **WE THANK OUR WORSHIP LEADERS** for enhancing our worship this morning! Thank you to the Balmoral Choir, Linda Warren, pianist, and Janice Hill, Liturgist.
- **EARTH CARE TIPS for OCTOBER:** use some recycled paper products (those that say unbleached or post-consumer)
- **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.
- **THANK YOU** to everyone that helped make the World Communion Sunday potluck a success. From setting up, bringing food, cleaning up, and tearing down everyone's efforts are greatly appreciated.
- **REPAIR FUND:** Remember to prayerfully consider what gift you might be able to give to our HVAC & Roof Repair Fund Replenishment. Make your donation today online or with a check marked "Repair Fund."
- **NEED A REFRESHER on BEING a PRESBYTERIAN?** Pastor Mark is teaching a class on "What we believe as Presbyterian," "History of Presbyterians," "How we live out our faith as Presbyterians," "The Sacraments," "The Liturgical Calendar," and more! Continuing on Monday, October 20, at 6:00pm, we are meeting every two weeks in Classroom A
- **COFFEE SNACKS:** Don't forget to check the list of Coffee-time snacks – can you help fill in one of the open spots?
- **TIME WITH BEES:** As part of our community garden initiative and earth care pledge, we are exploring the possibility of adding beehives on our property. To do this, we will need a beekeeper to volunteer 5 to 10 hours per month. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Jan Kaplan at 901-277-4267.
- **GIVING OPPORTUNITIES:** We are collecting much needed items for our community; Please don't forget to bring your donations for:
 - The Covenant Presbyterian Church of Germantown's Food Pantry. needs staples from our Food Cart!
 - Supplies for the Hospitality bags
 - Place used toothbrushes & empty toothpaste in the box in the Food Cart for recycling.

- **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!** BPC will be hosting its 14th biennial Storytelling and Music Festival, November 7 - 8, 2025, featuring Donald Davis, Friday and Saturday nights at 7:00pm. Tom and Jane Schneider will be joining Donald providing music on Friday night only. All events are free and open to the public, so bring your friends.
- **WANTED: Halloween Treats for Trunk or Treat at Covenant Presbyterian**, Friday, October 31, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m at Covenant Presbyterian, Friday, October 31, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m at Covenant Presbyterian. Can you donate a bag of candy to be passed out to Trick or Treaters? Bring your donations to the BPC office and we'll deliver them to Covenant, or take them directly to the office at Covenant, 2385 Riverdale Rd, Germantown. If you'd like to volunteer to participate, see this week's BPC Newsletter.
- **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES ON THE CALENDAR:** (NOTE: ****** indicates Presbytery event; **##** indicates a community event; **@@** indicates Private event)
 - **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 B
 - **## AL-ANON** meets every Wednesday, 7:00pm in Classroom A
 - **BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL** meets every Wednesday at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary
 - **** BUILDING BELOVED COMMUNITY**, every Monday thru Nov. 3, 10:00am in Classroom B
 - **SUNDAY STUDIES**, Sunday, October 12, 9:30am in Classroom A
 - **CHOIR REHEARSAL**, Sunday, October 12, 10:30am in the choir room
 - **PASTOR APPRECIATION SUNDAY**, October 12, 10:30am in the Narthex
 - **WORSHIP**, Sunday, October 12, 11:00am
 - **LUNCH with MARK**: Sunday, October 12, 12:30pm in Classroom A
 - **OUTREACH TEAM MEETING**, Monday, October 13, 5:00pm in Classroom A
 - **BOOK CLUB**, Tuesday, October 14, 1:30pm at the home of Jane Schneider
 - **CHOIR REHEARSAL**, Wednesday, October 15, 7:00pm in the choir room
 - **THURSDAY SMALL GROUP**, Thursday, October 16, 10:15am in Classroom A
 - **BLACKWELDER BABY SHOWER**, Saturday, October 18, 2:00pm in Fellowship area
 - **SUNDAY STUDIES**, Sunday, October 19, 9:30am in Classroom A
 - **WORSHIP**, Sunday, October 19, 11:00am
 - **VOLUNTEERS at the SOUP KITCHEN**, Sunday, October 19, 12:00 will carpool from the church parking lot right after worship to go to First Presbyterian Church
 - **SESSION MEETING**, Sunday, October 19, 12:30pm in Classroom A
 - **WRITER'S CIRCLE**, Monday, October 20, 1:00pm in Classroom A
 - **PASTOR CLASS**, Monday, October 20, 6:00pm in Classroom A
 - **SUNDAY STUDIES**, Sunday, October 26, 9:30am in Classroom A
 - **WORSHIP**, Sunday, October 26, 11:00am
 - **SANDWICH-MAKING PROJECT**, Sunday, October 26, 12:00pm in Classroom A
 - **TOWN HALL MEETING**, Sunday, October 26, 12:30pm in the Fellowship area
 - **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS**, Saturday night, November 1. Turn clocks BACK one hour.
 - **SUNDAY STUDIES**, Sunday, November 2, 9:30am in Classroom A
 - **WORSHIP**, Sunday, November 2, 11:00am

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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