

balmoral presbyterian church

service of worship



August 3, 2025

8th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00am

Chiming of the Hour

Bells of Balmoral

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Mark Howland

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude "Introductory Voluntary"

By Linley

Frank Carney, organist

*Call to Worship

Robin Van Nortwick, Liturgist

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord. God is good and God's love is eternal.

People: We will repeat these words in praise to the Lord.

Leader: Some wandered in the trackless desert. They were hungry and thirsty, and

had given up all hope.

People: Then in their trouble they called to the Lord, and God saved them from

their distress.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord with thanks for God's constant love!

*Gathering Song 664

"Morning Has Broken"

BUNESSAN

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we look at our lives, the way we have misused your blessings, our greed and selfishness, and we are ashamed. Free us from the shackles of these sins, and enable us to turn to you for direction. Through your Holy Spirit make it possible for us to live for others that we may find our true selves, and the joy and happiness that come from serving you.

(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

Special Music "Hey Everybody" Tom Schneider

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 Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23

Gospel Reading Luke 12:13-21

Sermon Storing Right Items

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

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Affirmation of Faith (Brief Statement of Faith (11.1, 11.5, & 11.6)

In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. 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 "Adagio" By Pepusch Frank Carney, organist

*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

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you. Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give our thanks and praise. Leader: Great and wonderful are your works... who forever sing to the glory of your name:

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Leader: We praise you, most holy God,... Christ is the bread of life:

People: When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

Leader: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us... almighty God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

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.

Communion of God's People

We participate in Holy Communion by intinction. At the usher's invitation, please come forward down the center aisle, form a semi-circle in front of the pastor and ruling elder. The ruling elder will offer you the bread, take a piece and hold it. Pastor will then come to you with the chalice of grape juice, dip the bread in the chalice and eat the bread. When all in your group have received the elements, join hands and remain at the table together for silent prayer. Return to your seats via the outer aisles when the prayer has ended.

Prayer following Communion

*Sending Song 175

"Seek Ye First"

LAFFERTY

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 "Trumpet Air" By Brenner
Frank Carney, organist

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- * indicates those who are able, please stand

REMEMBER to WEAR YOUR NAMETAGS!

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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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

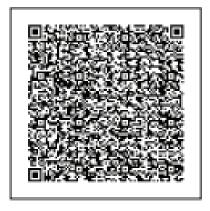
Jan Kaplan (4); Margaret Mullins (9); Lori Lucas (14); Beverly Hooker (19); Barry Dotson (26)

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

William & Linda Warren (12); Frank & Janice Carney (19); Ted & Janie Pearson (21); Rick & Connie Pride (21);

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- WE THANK OUR WORSHIP LEADERS for enhancing our worship this morning! Thank you to Frank Carney, pianist & organist, Robin Van Nortwick, Liturgist, Special Music by Jane & Tom Schneider, and Mary Schmitz & Robin Van Nortwick who prepared this morning's communion.
- EARTH CARE TIP of the MONTH for AUGUST: use garbage paper (ie: backs of envelopes, backs of paper no longer needed) as scratchpads for notes, lists, etc.
- **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.
- WRITERS' CIRCLE will NOT MEET on Monday, August 4.
- COFFEE-TIME SNACKS: Don't forget to sign up for coffee-time snacks!
- TEXAS HILL COUNTRY FLOODING: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is coordinating a response with the Synod of the Sun Partnership for Disaster Recovery and Mission Presbytery following flash flooding in the Texas Hill Country that resulted in more than 100 lives lost. The response includes support for Mission Presbytery staff and volunteers, material aid such as flood buckets and more. Recovery work is ongoing, and assessment of the long-term needs is just beginning. GIVE: Scan the QR code to give online, or go online to https://pcusa.org/donate/dr000191-disaster-relief-us-flooding, or call 1-800-728-7228 ext.5885 or mail a check.



- **GIVING OPPORTUNITIES:** We are collecting much needed items for our community; Please don't forget to bring your donations for:
 - o 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.
 - o CHAIR YOGA meets every Tuesday and Thursday, 12:30pm in Classroom A
 - BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL meets every Sunday mornings at 9:30am in the sanctuary from now until the end of August
 - (SUNDAY STUDIES will not meet until Fall)
 - WORSHIP TEAM MEETING, Sunday, August 3, 12:15pm in Classroom A
 - o OPERATIONS TEAM MEETING, Wednesday, August 6, 4:00pm in Classroom A
 - o THURSDAY SMALL GROUP, Thursday, August 7, 10:15am in Classroom A
 - o WORSHIP, Sunday, August 10, 11:00am
 - o LUNCH WITH MARK, August 10, 12:30pm in Classroom A
 - o **BOOK CLUB, August 12,** 1:30pm in Classroom A (meeting will begin right after the Chair Yoga class)
 - o BPC SISTERS' TEA PARTY, Friday, August 15, 5:00pm, Amerigo Italian Restaurant
 - o WORSHIP, Sunday, August 17, 11:00am
 - o WRITER'S CIRCLE, Monday, August 18, 1:00pm in Classroom A
 - o THURSDAY SMALL GROUP, Thursday, August 21, 10:15am in Classroom A
 - SESSION SPIRITUAL RETREAT, Fri 8/22/2025, 4:00 PM to Sat 8/23/2025, 4:00 PM,
 St. Columba Episcopal Camp & Retreat Center; @ Sanders Lodge
 - PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN BIBLE STUDY, Saturday, August 23, 9:00am, Pinecrest Camp Retreat Center