



Judith McMillan

22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
*of* **BELLA VISTA**

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### MINISTER

Rev. Dr. Judi McMillan

### LITURGIST

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### MUSIC DIRECTOR

Bud Clark

### ORGANIST/PIANIST

Gail Knudsen

### Chancel Choir

Sandy Bachelder, Betty Bennett, Arlene Biebesheimer, Jerry Biebesheimer, Marcia Beard,  
Bud Clark, Christy Clark, Lon Cross, Dick Francis, Gail Knudsen, Sharry McGuire,  
Peggy McMenus, Jean Nichols, Mary Nimis-Tysk, David Riter, Florence Riter, Gary Harris,  
Edie Harris, Nancy Shriner, Martha Stout, Karen Watson

### WELCOME DESK

Vicki Erickson

### HEAD USHER

Karen Schneider, Jerre Lender

### USHERS/GREETERS

Mack Bean, Jan Grim, Barry Owen, Pat Slatton

### COFFEE HOSTS

No Coffee this week

### AUDIO/VISUAL

Carolyn Cross, Tom Hackleman,  
Steve Little, Jim Watson

# A SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

*An asterisk (\*) indicates that those who are able may stand;  
Bold type — please respond in unison.*

## WE GATHER AND PREPARE OUR HEARTS

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

### WELCOME

PRELUDE            *“Nearer My God, to Thee”*            Robert Hughes

CALL TO WORSHIP    (based on Mark 10:35-45)

The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve.  
Let us follow Christ, not seeking glory, but ways to serve.  
**Called to worship, we bow humbly before our God**

\*HYMN #825            *“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Our God is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Let us embrace this time of confession with honesty and humility.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, your truth is oftentimes hard to hear. We confess our avoidance, our purposeful distractions, our prideful arrogance that keeps us from hearing and responding to your Word. Although you send us messages and messengers, we dismiss and disregard those who tell us we are wrong. Have mercy upon us, Holy God. Open us to hearing the truth no matter how it is conveyed. Amen.

*(Moment of silence for personal confession)*

## DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (Book of Common Worship)

Hear the Good News!

Who is in a position to condemn?  
Only Christ, and Christ died for us,  
Christ rose for us,  
Christ reigns in power for us,  
Christ prays for us.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.  
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.  
Amen.

## THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.  
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

*(Please take this opportunity to “pass the peace” to those around you.)*

**\*GLORIA PATRI #581**

**WE ENCOUNTER THE WORD**

**RESPONSIVE READING**

*Psalm 104:1-9 and 24*

<sup>1</sup> Bless the Lord, O my Soul. O Lord my God, you are very great.

<sup>2</sup> **You are clothed with honor and majesty,  
wrapped in light as with a garment.**

<sup>3</sup> You stretched out the heavens like a tent;  
You set the beams of your chambers on the waters;  
you make the clouds your chariot,  
you ride on the wings of the wind.

<sup>4</sup> **you make the winds your messengers,  
fire and flame ministers.**

<sup>5</sup> You set the earth on its foundations, so that it shall never be shaken.

<sup>6</sup> **You cover it with the deep as with a garment;  
the waters stood above the mountains.**

<sup>7</sup> At your rebuke they flee;  
at the sound of your thunder they take to flight.

<sup>8</sup> **They rose up to the mountains, ran down the valleys,  
to the place that you appointed for them.**

<sup>9</sup> You set a boundary that they may not pass,  
so that they might not again cover the earth.

<sup>24</sup> **O Lord, how manifold are your works!  
In wisdom you have made them all;  
the earth is full of your creations.**

**ANTHEM**

*“Near To the Heart”*

Joseph Martin

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

God of Wisdom and Grace, you speak through your Word read and proclaimed. Prepare us now to listen well. Open our ears to your truth. Humble us in your presence so nothing will stand in the way of what you say to us today. Amen.

## SCRIPTURE READING

*Mark 10:35-45*

<sup>35</sup> James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” <sup>36</sup> And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” <sup>37</sup> And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” <sup>38</sup> But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” <sup>39</sup> They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized you will be baptized, <sup>40</sup> but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to appoint, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

<sup>41</sup> When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup> So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup> But it is not so among you; instead, but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup> and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup> For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life a ransom for many.”

SERMON

*“ Forest for the Trees ”*

Rev. Dr. Judi McMillan

## WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

\*HYMN # 32      *“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH      (Book of Common Worship; Philippians 2: 5-11)

Christ Jesus,  
though he was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
as something to be exploited,  
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.  
And being found in human form  
he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—  
even death on a cross.  
Therefore, God also highly exalted him  
and gave him the name that is above every name,  
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue should confess to the glory of God:  
Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please fill out a prayer card or speak directly into the microphone.*

## 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.

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Let us give and live generously in response to all that God has done for us. Let us present our tithes and offerings to the Lord.

**OFFERTORY**            *“Healing Hand of God”*            Franklin Ritter

**\*DOXOLOGY #606**            *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

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

Holy God, these offerings are only a portion of all that you have given us. We gratefully present these gifts and entrust them to your work in this world. May our gifts share the Good News of the gospel to those who are in need. May these gifts help unburden those with the heaviest of loads. Amen.







# Weekly Vista

## WELCOME!

*We hope you will find your time of worship with us to be very meaningful. We are an open faith community.*

Please visit [www.pcbv.org](http://www.pcbv.org), or call the Church Office at 855-2390 if you would like to learn more about us and inquire about membership.

## OFFICE HOURS

MON– THURS  
9 am to 3 pm  
FRIDAY: CLOSED

For pastoral emergencies, please call or text Pastor Judi at 479-403-9082. Pastor's day off is Friday, she will return calls later. To schedule an in-person appointment, please email her at [jmcmillan@pcbv.org](mailto:jmcmillan@pcbv.org) stating your need.

Deacons: October  
Sharon Judson  
Gail Knudsen

**10/13/2024 Attendance:**  
**Members: 92 Guests: 18 Online: 22**

Thank you all for the donations and work down on the sale. It was a success. No Fellowship time today, but it will return next week, Oct. 27th.

## ALL SAINTS' REMEMBRANCE DAY

Please call the church office to submit the name of a loved one whom you wish to be remembered on All Saints' Remembrance Day on Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## LITURGISTS ENCOURAGED

Church members desiring to become a liturgist may submit your name to Pastor Judi or any active Elder. A short training session is required and will be Oct. 27th after worship service.

## BIRTHDAYS

**Oct. 25 Sharyn Hughes**

**Oct. 26 Sharry McGuire**

## CALENDAR

### Sunday, October 20

9am Christian Ed Class  
10am Worship

### Monday, October 21

11am-3pm—PEO Meeting  
Chapter CD (F/H)

### Tuesday, October 22

9:30-10:30am Spiritual Life  
5:30pm–6:30pm Men's AA (A)

### Wednesday, October 23

5:00pm Bell Choir  
6:00pm Chancel Choir

### Thursday, October 24

NO EVENTS

### Friday, October 25

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED  
1:00pm Busy Hands (Lobby)

### Saturday, October 26

NO EVENTS

### Sunday, October 27

9am Christian Ed Class  
10am Worship

All women of the Congregation are invited to the Ladies Birthday Lunch Bunch on Friday, October 25, 11:30, at Panera Bread in Bentonville - 1320 SE Walton Blvd. 479-271-8009. Sign up in Connector Hallway so we know how many are going. Thank you.

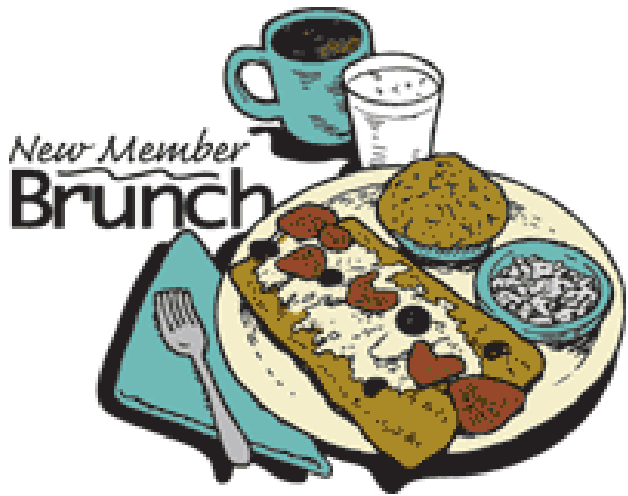


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The Stewardship luncheon will be held immediately following worship on November 10th. Please sign up in Connector Hallway. Deadline to sign up for this catered lunch is November 3rd.

Vicki Erickson is handing out letters today, please see her if you haven't received yours yet.

***Two Brunches are scheduled for new members and new friends of the church at Mary Nimis-Tysk house on Nov. 5th and Nov. 13th.***



A poster for an event titled "ADULT QUAKE '24". The background is a stylized landscape with mountains, trees, and a tent. A red seal in the top right corner reads "@ FERNCLIFF CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER". The text "NOVEMBER 7 — 10 2024" is visible. The main title "ADULT QUAKE '24" is in large white letters. Below it, the cost is listed: "COST: FOR NOV. 8, FRIDAY - NOV. 10, SUNDAY \$275 (DOUBLE) // \$380 (SINGLE)" and "W/ OPTIONAL ADD-ON -- NOV. 7, THURSDAY (\$125, DOUBLE // \$175 SINGLE)". At the bottom, it says "NEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE? COUPON CODES ARE AVAILABLE! EMAIL SARAH@SARAHLEER.COM".

Questions? Email Sarah: [sarah@sarahleer.com](mailto:sarah@sarahleer.com)  
Register by November 1st for a link to the registration page, please email Ann Davidson at [adavidson@pcbv.org](mailto:adavidson@pcbv.org) or Sarah at the link above.