

Sunday, November 10th, 2024

25TH DAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of BELLA VISTA

1880 Forest Hills Blvd. Bella Vista, Arkansas 72715

(479) 855-2390 www.pcbv.org E-mail: pcbvoffice@pcbv.org

LEADERS & VOLUNTEERS

MINISTER Rev. Dr. Judi McMillan

> LITURGIST Susan Foster

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, Elaine McGuire, Sharry McGuire, Peggy McMenus, Jean Nichols, Mary Nimis-Tysk, David Riter, Florence Riter, Gary Harris, Edie Harris, Nancy Shriner, Martha Stout, Karen Watson

Bell Choir

Arlene Beibesheimer, Elaine Crane, Gail Cowdin, Jan Grim, Gail Knudsen Florence Riter, Cathie Whittenberger, Sharon Warner, Karen Watson, Fran Zimmerman

> WELCOME DESK Linda Dahlquist

HEAD USHER Karen Schneider, Jerre Lender

USHERS/GREETERS Sharon Judson, Dale Judson, Barb Francis, Barry Owen, Vicki Erickson

> COFFEE HOSTS Shepherd Group 5 Delores Jennings, Dan Dovell

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

" A Song of Thankfulness"

Edward Broughton

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 146)

I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God.

The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

*HYMN #451 "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

CALL TO CONFESSION (Nehemiah 9:17)

God is ready to forgive, gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Let us turn to God in honesty and humility, ready to confess our sins.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, forgive our systemic sins, the way we build and support and collaborate with oppression. Open our eyes to the injustice of wealth inequality. Open our hearts to righting our societal wrongs. Forgive our excuses, our apathy, our votes cast only for our benefit, or that of our nation's. Help us follow Christ in prioritizing the poor and vulnerable. Help us build your beloved community where all belong, and all may flourish. Amen.

(Moment of silence for personal confession)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

"The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned." 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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer. As we approach your Word, may we be ready to receive the message you intend for us today. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 126

²Then our mouth was filled with laughter and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."

³The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

ANTHEM (Bell Choir)

"Hosanna"

Jason Krug

¹ When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

⁴Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses in the Neg'eb.

⁵ May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

⁶Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6: 19-24; 28-34

¹⁹ "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰ but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ²² "The eye is the lamp of the body. So if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, ²³ but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If, then, the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! ²⁴ "No one can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' ³² For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

³⁴ "So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

SERMON

" Treasures and Joy "

Rev. Dr. Judi McMillan

*HYMN # 403

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

- 1. We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.
- 2. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.
- 3. We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

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 (Acts 20:35)

Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, who said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

OFFERTORY

"Thanksgiving Prayer"

Lani Smith

*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 and pledges 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.

WE GO FORTH TO MINISTER

INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN # 438

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

*CHARGE & BLESSING

*GOING FORTH #443

"There is a Redeemer" (v1)

*POSTLUDE

"Come, Let Us Sing"

David Paxton



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, 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
stating your need.

Deacons: November Gail Knudsen Gail Cowdin 11/03/2024 Attendance: Members: 90 Guests: 10

STEWARDSHIP LUNCHEON IN FELLOWSHIP HALL AFTER SERVICE.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO TURN IN YOUR PLEDGE CARDS TODAY!



BIRTHDAYS

Nov. 14 Peggy McMenus

Nov. 14 Karen Schneider

Nov. 16 Edie Harris

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 10
9am Christian Ed Class
10am Worship/Dedication of
Pledges
11am-12pm Stewardship
Luncheon

Monday, November TI 2-3pm Book Study (Parlor)

Tuesday, November 12 8am-12pm PEO Chpt BR (F/H) 5:30pm -6:30pm Men's AA (A)

Wednesday, November 13
9:30-10:30am New Member's
Brunch (Mary's)
10:30-11:30am Staff Meeting (A)
5pm Bell Choir
6pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, November 14
12-2pm—PW Meeting (F/H)
(12:30 Assemble Shoeboxes1:00 Meeting & Bible Study)
2-3pm Book Study (F/H)

Friday, November 15
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
1pm Busy Hands (Lobby)

Saturday, November 16 No EVENTS

Sunday, November 17 9am Christian Ed Class 10am Worship



All women of the Congregation are invited to the Ladies Birthday Lunch Bunch on Friday, November 22, 11:30, at Fish City Grill in Rogers - 2003 S. Bellview Road (off New Hope Road), 479-636-8833. It doesn't have to be your birthday month, just come and enjoy good food, friends and fellowship. Sign up in Connector Hallway so we know how many are going. Thank you.

A Brunch is scheduled for new members and new friends of the church at Mary Nimis-Tysk's house on Nov. 13th.



SHEPHERD GROUP 1 GAME PARTY ALL SHEPHERD GROUPS WELCOME! MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH 4:30PM FELLOWSHIP HALL

HOSTESS: KAY BURROUGHS



BRING A GAME TO PLAY ———

SNACKS TO SHARE

AND SOMETHING FOR YOU TO DRINK

PLEASE RSVP TO KAY BURROUGHS

(479) 640–1198



"Store up for yourselves treasures
in heaven, where moth & rust do
not destroy, & where thieves do not
break in and steal."

Matthew 6:21

For where your treasure is,



there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:21