GATHERING MUSIC Mark Mathias

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Ruth E. Clendenin

*Attendance Cards, upcoming meetings this week: Prayer Group Tuesday at 6pm; Session Tuesday at 6:30pm, Ice Cream Social*

PRELUDE Sonata No. 1: Adagio – F. Mendelssohn

Right away at beginning of Prelude

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST Acolyte

Carter Cisneros

Camera on Lectern

CALL TO WORSHIP Beth Bedwell

O Consuming Fire, you spark awe and joy with the work

of your hands and the power of your deeds.  
**You give us an unshakable kin-dom****in this ever-shaking world.**So we give thanks and worship you with reverence and awe.  
**Let us worship God!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY Beth Bedwell

**God our rock and fortress, the task is daunting: remove the yoke, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil from among us. So, we proclaim: You are my rock and my fortress! The work is hard: offer food to the hungry, satisfy the needs of the afflicted. So, we sing out: You are my rock and my fortress! You crown us with steadfast love and mercy and work justice for all who are oppressed. You show us that we don’t have excuses because you have given us the right words, the right actions. So, we remember: You are my rock and my fortress! Give us refuge and guide us. Satisfy our needs and send us out to spread your message and do your will, that we may be like a watered garden, repairers of the breach, restorers of streets. Amen.**

Camera on Choir

\*OPENING HYMN #69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Camera on Lectern

READ BY Beth Bedwell: Beth Bedwell

*In the Reformed Tradition, when we worship, we confess not only our own sin,*

*but that of the world, in the confidence that God’s grace will abound.*

Camera on Lectern

\*CALL TO CONFESSION Beth Bedwell

In faith and in hope, turning to the rock of our salvation, let us confess our sin together.

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Beth Bedwell

**O God of mercy, we confess that we live self-centered lives. We tolerate injustice and cruelty, complacent in our corner of the world. We neglect the needs of others. In your righteousness, deliver us and rescue us. Turn us to your way and lead us in your light, that we might serve you and care for all of creation.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Rev. Ruth E. Clendenin

The Lord is our hope and our trust, our light and salvation. Believe the good news!  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #582  Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines On Me

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE Rev. Ruth E. Clendenin

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also, with you.**

**CAMP TESTIMONIES**

**Eden & Russell Juhasz, Kate, Erin & Carter Cisneros**

Camera on Lectern

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Beth Bedwell

Faithful God, how blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness. Sanctify us by your Word and Spirit so that we may glorify you in the company of the faithful; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 58:9b-14 (OT 675) Beth Bedwell

If you remove the yoke from among you,  
    the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,  
**10**if you offer your food to the hungry  
    and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
    and your gloom be like the noonday.  
**11**The Lord will guide you continually  
    and satisfy your needs in parched places  
    and make your bones strong,  
and you shall be like a watered garden,  
    like a spring of water  
    whose waters never fail.  
**12**Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
    you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
    the restorer of streets to live in.

**13**If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath,  
    from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;  
if you call the Sabbath a delight  
    and the holy day of the Lord honorable;  
if you honor it, not going your own ways,  
    serving your own interests or pursuing your own affairs;  
**14**then you shall take delight in the Lord,  
    and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;  
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,  
    for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN  Jen Juhasz

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 103:1-8 (OT 542) Beth Bedwell

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.  
**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—**who forgives all your iniquity,  
**who heals all your diseases,**who redeems your life from the Pit,  
**who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.

**The Lord works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.**  
He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.  
**The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

SOLO I Choose Love – M. Miller

Erin Cisneros

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 13:10-17 (NT 74) Rev. Ruth E. Clendenin

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. **11**And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. **12**When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” **13**When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. **14**But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day.” **15**But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? **16**And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?” **17**When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON “Set Free” Rev. Ruth E. Clendenin

\*HYMN #435 There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles’ Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO PRAYER Christ Be with Me – R. Cunningham

*The congregation will sing each phrase after the cantor*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught his disciples to pray with the boldness of children saying: **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 DISCIPLESHIP Rev. Ruth E. Clendenin

*[please show the QR code for about 30 seconds at the time of offering and then resume showing organist or wide angle of congregation]*

*In grateful response to God’s grace and mercy, we make our offerings of time, talent, and treasure to the Lord. Your gifts will be used in the mission and ministry of this congregation and according to God’s will and call. You may place your gift in the offering plate as it is passed or contribute through the church’s QR code.*

OFFERTORY Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #709 God, We Honor You

*God, we honor you. God, we trust in you.*

*God, we worship and adore you.*

*Take what we bring, offered to you.*

*Teach us to show your abundant blessings.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION Rev. Ruth E. Clendenin

**BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING**

\*CLOSING HYMN #374 O Holy City Seen of John

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION Rev. Ruth E. Clendenin

\*SENDING SONG #747 Lead Me, Guide Me

*Lead me, guide me, along the way,*

*for if you lead me, I cannot stray.*

*Lord, let me walk each day with thee.*

*Lead me, O Lord, lead me.*

\*CARRYING OUT THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO THE WORLD Acolyte

Carter Cisneros

\*POSTLUDE    Toccata on "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" – J. W. Kerr

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**PRAYER CONCERNS & REQUESTS**

**CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**HOMEBOUND:**

Mary Ignat, Jama Roman, Peg Locker, Harry Tubbs

**ON GOING CONCERNS:**

Betsy Gouvernayre, Judd Collins, Bill Drake, Jack Rogers, Dee Tilley, Dave McClellan, Richard Stambaugh, Christine Vischer, Harry Tubbs, Sherry Gilbert, Barbara & Richard Brownlee, Don & Sandy Townsend, Margie Olson, Kathy Batdorf, George & Linda Bell, Stephanie & Jenny Bell, Jim & Sanda Findley, Jean Oldham, Bruce Wharram, Katie Wharram

**DEATHS:**

Andrew Meade, nephew of Carolyn Collins, passed away 8/13.

**RELATIVES & FRIENDS:**

Ann Saudmore (Hattie Kate Howell)

Judy Clendenin (mother of Rev. Ruth E. Clendenin)

Ryan Blocher (son of Carolyn Collins)

Louise Pikor (friend of Rick Stambaugh)

Debbie Proffitt (friend of CPC)

Harel Carrier (friend of Bill Drake)

Terry Drake (brother of Bill Drake)

Perry Bates (friend of Tyson Fankhauser)

Robert Wagner (brother of Jim Wagner)

Christina Hobbs (friend of CPC)

Pam Rogers (daughter in law of Jack Rogers)

Terri Jo Schempf (niece of Bruce Poling)

Jean & Angie Crisp (Howard Wharram)

Aaron Grizaniuk (son of Pat & Tony Grizaniuk)

Peggy Strock (friend of Janice Chu)

Mike Powers (friend of CPC)

Caroline & her family (guest & friend of CPC)

Betty Felton (friend of Chris Vischer)

Lois Ballanger (sister in law of Hattie Kate Howell)

Helen & Ken Kinderman (cousin & cousin in-law of Hattie Kate Howell)

Blake Underwood (friend of Tyson Fankhauser)

**If you would like to be a part of the Prayer Team or need**

**information, contact Dave Hendrix.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Our Chancel, Handbell, and Youth Choirs** will resume in September.  Rehearsals are on Thursdays (6:15 - Handbell Choir, 7:15 - Chancel Choir) and Sundays (11:10 - Youth Choir). Consider trying out one or more of them!  For more information contact Mark Mathias (markcpctoledo@gmail.com).

**The Community Committee** is hosting an ice cream social TODAY after the 10:00 service.

**Deborah Circle** will meet on Wednesday, September 10th at Noon for a salad lunch & discussion. Contact Beth Bedwell esbedwell@gmail.com or Carol Gildemeister cgildemeister@buckeye-express.com to register. The cost of the book is $14

**Sign-up for chancel flowers:** bouquets cost $25.00, or you can purchase your own bouquet. The sign-up sheet is located on the table in the Narthex. If you have any further questions, please contact Carolyn Collins at 419-205-6400 or email fritzecjc58@gmail.com.

**Exciting News!** Our church leadership has determined it is time for our new pictorial church directory. Our dates for photography will be: Thursday, October 16th from PM - 8:30PM - Friday, October 17th from 3PM - 8PM and Saturday, October 18th from 10AM - 4PM. We need volunteers to help with the sign-up process for our families. Please contact Beth Bedwell at Esbedwell@gmail.com or (317) 374-4776 this week to volunteer to be a part of this project.

**Confirmation Class** will begin on Sunday Sept. 14th for 8 weeks and will include a mid-session missional retreat Oct. 10th & 11th. If you have a youth that would like to participate in this class email Jencpctoledo@gmail.com.

**Griefshare** will resume meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 3rd. Contact Howard Wharram for more details.

**Coming Up this week:**

**Prayer Group - Tuesday at 6pm**

**Session - Tuesday at 6:30pm**