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The service is streamed live at 10:45 AM, on Sundays, and is archived online for later viewing as well. Share this with persons you know who are out of town or unable to attend our Worship Service in person. **Visit the Church Website** at www.bridgeportumc.org and click "Watch Online".

REVIVE RECOVERY AT JOHNSON AVENUE WORSHIP AT 6:30 PM

Revive Recovery continues to meet each Wednesday evening at our Johnson Avenue campus. Revive Recovery is a program specifically for dealing with the troubles we face in this challenging culture and time. Revive Recovery is, in fact, for all hurts, habits, or hang-ups. Only 1 in 3 are there for substance issues. Sign up to help by preparing a light supper served at 6 PM. Sign up on bulletin board in the main entry.

JOIN US FOR OUR BIBLE STUDY on the Gospel of John and the book's unique portrait of Jesus. Led by Pastor Matthew, the study meets Thursdays at 7:00 pm in the back of the Sanctuary.

UMCOR United Committee on Relief 100 percent of what you give goes to enable emergency grants and supplies immediately after a disaster. If you would like to donate, please make your check to BUMC and in the memo write UMCOR.

Weekly Devotional Reading

Sunday: Exodus 18:5-27

Monday: John 10:1-10

Tuesday: Psalm 84:1-9

Wednesday: Lamentations 3:19-24

Thursday: Exodus 13:17-22

Friday: Hebrews 11:17-28

Saturday: Romans 8:12-17

Breath Prayer this Week:

Dear Father, thank you for the people who encourage us in our faith. Help us to be a source of encouragement for others. Amen.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Adult Sunday School Classes are:
Bread of Life SS/Library/9:30AM
Faith, Family & Friends SS/Parlor/
9:30AM

AVAILABLE SERVICES—ASK AN USHER FOR ASSISTANCE

8:30 Service Childcare - infants-5 years, Nursery, hallway by back Chapel

10:45 Service Childcare - infants-2 years, Nursery, hallway by back Chapel

10:45 Service Childcare for 2, 3 & 4 yr. olds, Educ. Bldg. - 1st room on right
Children's Bulletin available on table in the back of the Sanctuary

10:45 Children's Church - ages 5-2nd grade, Children's Church Room

Large Print Hymnals at main entrance to the Sanctuary

Prayer Cards to indicate special concerns are located in the pew racks

Membership Directories are available in the Church Office.



SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

October 26, 2024

6:15 PM

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

GATHERING MUSIC

Tom Price

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 13

UMH 746

*HYMN

It Is Well with My Soul

UMH 377

*INVOCATION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

MINISTRY STEWARDSHIP AND OPPORTUNITIES

~ Use the e-giving tab on the website, mail in your donation, or place it in the baskets at the entryways.

~ Please visit our website, bridgeportumc.org for regular updates.

STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS

Walk In Love

WORD IN MUSIC

Tom Price

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

Job 1:1; 2:1-10

MESSAGE

Broken yet Believing

Joe Starkey

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

When Our Confidence Is Shaken
(verses 1, 3, and 4)

UMH 505

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN

When We Are Called to Sing Your Praise

FWS 2216

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING FORTH AND POSTLUDE

FWS-Faith We Sing Hymnal UMH-United Methodist Hymnal WS-Worship and Song Hymnal

Child Care is available for infants – 5 years old in the Nursery in the back hallway by the Chapel

*Indicates standing as able.

SUNDAY WORSHIP @ JOHNSON AVENUE

October 27, 2024

9:45 AM

Gathering to Praise

*Scripture Choruses and Songs

Jim Harris

*Prayer of Invocation and Invitation

Growing in the Word

The Word in Music

*Scripture

Mark 10:46-52

Today's Message

What Do You Want Me to Do for You?

Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh

Glorifying God Through Communion and Response

Holy Communion

(This sacrament or "Holy Covenant" is a way of visibly remembering God's Sacrificial Love given in Christ Jesus and receiving anew His grace.)

Going Forth to Share and Serve

Ministry Stewardship and Opportunities

Stewardship Emphasis

Walk In Love

Brent Kimble

*Closing Song

*Benediction and Sending Forth

*Indicates standing as able.

BRIDGEPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

251 WORTHINGTON DRIVE, BRIDGEPORT, WV

October 27, 2024 † 8:30 AM & 10:45 AM



THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST WORSHIP CELEBRATION

WE ARE COMMITTED TO THE VISION OF "MATTHEW 25"

We are a community of faith focused on being in ministry with and for the least, the last, the lonely, and the left out. Jesus said, "When you do it to the least of these, you do it unto me." (Matthew 25:40) This is our primary work. Please join us as we strengthen ourselves for the task in worship, prayer, and study and then go forth to serve in Matthew 25 Ministries.

PRELUDE *The Lord Will I At All Times Bless* (ABRIDGE) arr. by Philip Moore
I Cried Aloud to God for Help (RESIGNATION) arr. by Gordon King
As we gather, we are mindful of our Maplewood Worship Service.

Today's leader is the Proverbs 31 Women's Circle.

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND THE WORD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Reader: Take heart! For we are gathered in the Father's presence

ALL: to proclaim the wonders of the Lord.

Reader: Get up! For we are beckoned by Jesus of Nazareth

ALL: to respond to grace undeserved.

Reader: God is calling us! For we are united by the Spirit

ALL: to follow Jesus on the way.

Reader: Come, let us worship God!

ALL: Let us praise God for his great gifts to us in Jesus, the Son of David!

*INVOCATION

*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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil,
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

*HYMN OF WORSHIP

Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

UMH 351

MINISTRY STEWARDSHIP AND OPPORTUNITIES

~ Please fill out a prayer card if desired and place it in an offering basket.

~ Use the e-giving tab on the website, mail in your donation, or place it in the baskets at the entryways.

~ Please visit our website, bridgeportumc.org to check for regular updates.

(10:45 Children K-2nd Grade only may leave for Children's Church.

Please meet with your leader in the back of the Sanctuary.

Younger children see back of bulletin for locations of nurseries.)

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT *Walk In Love* Brent Kimble

MUSICAL OFFERING *Help Me to Pray* Carl-Bertil Agnestig

Help me to pray from my heart, Lord. No. Not in evening, but now.

Help me to live by your will, Lord. No not tomorrow, but now.

Help me show love for my neighbor, Not at a distance, but here.

Help me to share with the needy, Teach me to show that I care.

Help me have faith in you, Father, Not just in heaven, but here.

This world is filled with confusion, Help me sing praises right here.

CONSECRATION OF OUR 2025 STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENTS

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

*SCRIPTURE LESSON *Mark 10:46-52*

⁴⁶ They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' ⁴⁸ Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' ⁴⁹ Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' ⁵⁰ So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹ Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' ⁵² Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

WORD IN MUSIC *The Summons* FWS 2130

MESSAGE *What Do You Want Me to Do for You?* Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *Open Our Eyes* FWS 2086

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*We belong to God, eternal and infinite,
Creator of all things and all that is to come.
We follow Christ, who comes to us from God,
and reveals God to us.
He heals people and transforms lives,
and calls us to join in his ministry.
He was crucified, died, and was raised again by God,
and reigns over all Creation;
and he bids us to die and rise with him
in the service of the healing of the world.
We live by the Spirit,
together with the communion of saints,
as members of the Body of Christ, God's holy universal church.
We are confident in the forgiveness of sin,
the power of resurrection and the reality of eternal life.
In all things it is our desire to follow Christ,
by the grace of the Holy Spirit, for God's glory. Amen.*

MOMENTS OF GUIDED PRAYER

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Reader: We give you all thanks and praise, O God, for you are good and your mercy endures forever. Like Jesus leaving Jericho, your word has passed before us today.

ALL: Have mercy on us, Lord!

Reader: Others have told us to be quiet. Many have tried to lure us away; yet we desire you.

ALL: Have mercy on us, Lord!

Reader: Then you spoke to us and called us to yourself.

ALL: Have mercy on us, Lord!

Reader: You ask us what we want, what we need. There are so many things we hold in our heart, but you know our greatest need: Lord, let us see as you see.

ALL: Have mercy on us, Lord!

Reader: Give us the courage to take heart in your grace. Give us the strength to get up. Give us the wisdom to hear your calling.

ALL: Have mercy on us, Lord! Amen.

*HYMN *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* UMH 57
(verses 1, 3, 5, 6, and 7)


*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE *O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come* (DISTRESS) arr. by Robert J. Powell

*Indicates standing as able.

Those participating in the Service - Brett Miller - organist, pianist; Chancel Choir; Seraphim Singers, Dan & Katherin Hughes - directors, Tom Price - accompanist
Youth Liturgists for Sunday morning service - Zach Hickman, Olivia Corder, Audrey Corder, Daniel Yearego, Kaitlyn Kimble, Reagan Fitzpatrick

 **STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS 2025**
"Walk in Love" is the theme for our 2025 Stewardship emphasis. Ephesians 5:1-2 calls us to "be imitators of God" and to "walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God." As we prepare for 2025, we invite you to prayerfully consider your commitment to the life and work of Bridgeport UMC. As a Matthew 25 Church, we have devoted ourselves to walking in love as we make an impact on lives here in Bridgeport and around the world. We invite you to invest in this exciting work! As an act of worship, we will consecrate our 2025 commitments to the Lord today. Commitment Cards are available in the pew racks or in the narthex. Thank you for your faithful giving to Bridgeport UMC!

BRIDGEPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh, Senior Pastor † Rev. Ben Randolph, Associate Minister
Rev. George Bramble, Rev. Jim Lang, Pastoral Care † Sarah Carr Parsons, Director of Chancel Choir † Joe Starkey, Coordinator of Discipleship and Youth Ministries
Brett Miller, Organist † Jim Harris, Tom Price, Accompanists † Russ Francis, Treasurer
Kim Kapp, Jennifer Walker, Administrative Staff † Polly Steele, Director of Preschool
Becky Thornton, Director of Joyful Noise Afterschool Program
Dan & Katherine Hughes, Seraphim Directors Katherine Hughes, Jubilate Director
Jennifer Lawson, Cherub Choir Director
Dorothy Prunty, Denny Owens, Cathy Hamilton, Michael Moran, Facilities

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK (October 27– November3)

SUNDAY

8:30 AM Worship Service Sanctuary
9:30 AM Bread of Life Sunday School Library
9:30 AM Faith Family Friends SS Parlor
9:30 AM Young Explorers SS (Pre K3-5th) Primary Chapel
9:30 AM Youth Sunday School Education Building
9:45 AM Worship @ Johnson Ave. Johnson Ave. Campus
9:45 AM Maplewood Worship Service Maplewood
10:45 AM Worship Service Sanctuary
5:00-5:30 PM Cherub Choir Rehearsal Primary Chapel
5:00-5:30 PM Jubilate Choir Rehearsal Children's Church Room
5:00-5:30 PM Youth Handbells Balcony
5:30-6:00 PM Elementary Handbells Children's Church Room
5:30-6:00 PM Seraphim Singers Fellowship Hall
6:00-7:00 PM Adult Handbell Rehearsal Balcony
6:00-7:00 PM Youth Group Meeting Education Building

MONDAY

7:00 AM AA Morning Meditation Johnson Ave. Campus
9:00 AM Preventicare Nursery

TUESDAY

10:00 AM Staff Meeting Fowler Heritage Room

WEDNESDAY

6:30 PM Revive Recovery Johnson Ave. Campus
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY

7:00 AM Men's Prayer and Coffee Johnson Ave. Campus
9:00 AM PreventiCare Nursery
10:00 AM Lectionary Class Library
6:00 PM Sweet Hour of Prayer Meeting Johnson Ave. Campus
7:00 PM Bible Study Back of Sanctuary

FRIDAY

7:00 AM AA Morning Meditation Johnson Ave. Campus
8:30 AM Sister's Bible Study Fowler Heritage Room

SATURDAY

6:15 PM Saturday Evening Service Sanctuary

SUNDAY, November 3

8:30 AM Worship Service Sanctuary
9:30 AM Sunday School
9:45 AM Worship @ Johnson Ave. Johnson Ave. Campus
9:45 AM Maplewood Worship Service Maplewood
10:45 AM Worship Service Sanctuary
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Children ages 3 through Fifth Grade

Young Explorers: Bible Study

Discovering God's Love through Relationship, Experience, and Wonder

This fall we invite children ages 3 through fifth grade to join us at 9:30 AM in the Primary Chapel. Each week, your children will explore a key Bible verse and learn through play, interactive lessons, and practical application. Together, with our team of volunteers they will discover the different aspects of God's love. We will dismiss at 10:30 AM in the Primary Chapel.