

BEULAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
September 29, 2024 ~ Homecoming Sunday
19th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

“Amazing Grace”

Mark Hayes

GREETING, WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

This is the day the Lord has made. **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Peace and Global Witness

***CALL TO WORSHIP and OPENING PRAYER**

O give thanks to the Lord!

The Lord hears the cries of the people.

Give thanks to the Lord.

The works of the Lord are great.

Remember what God has done.

Give thanks to the Lord.

God has done miracles, and the Lord always remembers God's covenant.

Give thanks to the Lord. Glory and praise is due to the Lord!

Let us pray: **Generous God, you come to us again and again, no matter how late it is in the day or in our lives. Calling to us, gathering us in, you give us your good work to do, daily bread, and boundless grace. Increase in us a generous spirit so that we may do your work with joy alongside others whom you also love. We thank you for this opportunity to celebrate Beulah's mission in our community and world, 156 years of faith and service! We celebrate your salvation not only in our lives, but also in the lives of other people, even those we had not imagined would be included in the kingdom you are bringing. Align us with your ways and help us receive your gift of justice and mercy as good news. In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

***Hymn**

“When in Our Music God Is Glorified”

#641 vs 1, 2 & 5

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Hymn

“Just as I Am, without One Plea”

#442 vs 3

(Silence is observed.)

Gracious God, forgive us when we grumble and complain against your goodness. We judge and weigh your gifts according to our standards. We often question your fairness instead of receiving your grace with thanksgiving and joy. Help us to see your world through your eyes and with your spirit of generosity and grace, that we may welcome the chance to serve in your kingdom and all who join with us. Forgive us, Lord, in your grace and mercy through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation! The old life has passed away and a new life has begun. Know that we are forgiven and be at peace.
Thanks be to God! 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. **And also with you.**

Hymn

“I’ve Got Peace like a River”

#623

ANTHEM

“I’ll Fly Away”

Albert Brumley

(Pastor Bill Owens, Harmonica, Bill Kyle, Tenor)

ENCOUNTERING AND RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children are invited to participate in activities at the Prayground area in front of the pulpit for the remainder of the service.)

HOMILY

“The Good Shepherd”

Pastor Bill Owens

HYMN SING

#418 vs 1, 2 & 3 “Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”
#450 vs 2 & 3 “Be Thou My Vision”
#69 vs 1 & 3 “Here I Am, Lord”
#840 vs 1 & 4 “It Is Well with My Soul”
#315 vs 1, 2 & 3 “In the Midst of New Dimensions”
#625 vs 2 & 4 “How Great Thou Art”
#821 vs 1 & 2 “My Life Flows On”
#306 vs 3, 4 & 5 “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and 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.

OFFERING

Call for the Offering

Offertory

***Celebrating God's Generosity**

Hymn #606

*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 Thanksgiving and Dedication**

**Gracious God, we thank you for the measure of faith you have given to each of us.
Increase in us generosity, compassion, and prophetic courage so we may continue to
be your body in and for the world. With thanksgiving, we pray in the name of Christ.
Amen.**

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn**

"Dwelling in Beulah Land"

(See Insert)

***GRACE FOR SHARED MEAL and BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

John Carter

Go in Peace

*A special word of thanks to all those who helped make this worship service possible.
It is good to be together!*

Sympathy to the family of Donna Stout upon her death on September 24, 2024.

*Visitation will take place on Monday, September 30,
at Fern Creek Funeral Home from 3:00-7:00 p.m.*

The Funeral will take place at the funeral home on Tuesday, October 1, at 10:00 a.m.

Remember in Prayer

*Melinda Oberst, Bill Rush, Judy Noe, Evelyn Vaughn, Mary Hockenberry,
Chuck Clark, Suzi Criscoe, Bill Anderson, Verna Williams, Jake Mohn, Jeffrey Schmidt,
and all Service Personnel and their families.*

All those who are Care Givers, and all those affected by tragic world events.

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Welcome! We warmly greet all who have come to worship God.

We are so glad that you are here. We hope that joining us for worship today will nurture your heart and transform your mind. Here at Beulah our mission is transforming lives through the love of Jesus Christ – that simple and that challenging. We realize we need each other and commit to pray for each other. We reach out in love and compassion to a world in need, and we know we are a work in progress. If you are new to Beulah, we hope you will join us again and consider attending any of our mission, fellowship, and education opportunities. God's peace to you today.

Membership ~ If you are interested in becoming a member or you have any questions about membership, see Pastor Bill or one of the greeters, call the church office at 502-239-3231 or email carol@beulahpres.org.

Learn more by visiting us on our website at www.beulahpres.org, and on our Facebook page at Beulah Presbyterian Church.

Assisting in worship ~ Pastor Bill Owens; Music Director/Accompanist Kim Karchenes; Special Music Pastor Bill Owens and Bill Kyle; Liturgist Lori Witherspoon; Sound Crew, Brent Dellacoletta and Jim Harris.

Virtual Ministry ~ Please follow us on our Website www.beulahpres.org, Facebook, Instagram@beulah_pres, and YouTube to stay up to date on upcoming events, view previous worship services, live stream services, and see what's happening in the life and ministry of Beulah!

Listening Devices ~ The Sanctuary is equipped with Listening Devices for persons with hearing difficulty. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Electronic Devices ~ In the hustle and bustle of getting ourselves ready for church it is easy to forget to turn off our cell phones. We offer this gentle reminder to please power off cell phones and other electronic devices so that the worship service is not disrupted by them.

Large Print Worship Bulletin ~ If you or someone you know needs a large print bulletin of today's service, please ask one of the ushers and they will assist you.



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