

balmoral presbyterian church

service of worship

November 11, 2018

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00am

**asterisk invites you to please stand if you are able*

please turn your cell phones to silent

Chiming the Hour

Bells of Balmoral

Prelude

“Pie Jesu, Faure”

arr. David L Sanders

Bells of Balmoral

***Call to Worship**

Renée Mitchell

One: People of God, we come to worship the One who brings light out of darkness.

All: In the presence of our God we recognize our deepest needs.

One: Let us praise the God of all creation who knows our hearts and hears our cries.

All: Let us sing our faith. Let us give our best. Let us trust our God!

***Hymn 665 (verses 1, 3 & 4)**

“As Morning Dawns”

WAREHAM

Confession¹

Rev. Carla Meisterman

All: Merciful God, hear our cries. Come near to us in the midst of our distortions and confusion. Lead us to the good You have prepared for us. We confess we put our own pleasure ahead of Your purposes. We prefer our limited wisdom to Your limitless revelation. We are more ready to fight with one another than to free the oppressed, to feed our own egos than to give bread to the hungry. Forgive us. Teach us faith that we might shine Your light of love.

Keep a generous silence, and listen to your life.

Assurance

Rev. Carla Meisterman

***Share the Peace of Christ**

Rev. Carla Meisterman

***Congregational Chorus²**

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

Jill Jackson & Sy Miller

Let there be peace on earth And let it begin with me;

Let there be peace on earth, The peace that was meant to be.

With God our creator We are family, Let us walk with each other In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, Let this be the moment now;

With every step I take, Let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each moment In peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth And let it begin with me.

¹Confession adapted from Fourth Presbyterian Church (Chicago, IL), “Worship Bulletin, June 26, 2011, 8:00am.” (www.fourthchurch.org/bulletins/2011/062611b800.pdf)

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Announcements		Rev. Carla Meisterman
Musical Offering	“When the Poor Ones” Tom Schneider, guitarist	David M. Cherwien
Prayer for Illumination		Renée Mitchell
Centering Silence...	<i>Be still. Prepare yourself to hear the Word of God.</i>	
Scripture	I Kings 17 (selected verses) & Mark 12:38-44	Renée Mitchell & Rev. Carla Meisterman
Sermon	“Stories of Giving It All”	Rev. Carla Meisterman
Silent Reflection...	<i>In the silence, attend to what the Spirit has given you.</i>	
Hymn 684	<i>(please remain seated)</i> “Faith Begins by Letting Go”	LUX PRIMA
The Prayers of God’s People		Renée Mitchell
Offering		Renée Mitchell
	Please place tithes, offerings, and sign-up sheets in the brass plates. Children will collect quarters to provide funds to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Fund. Place Pennies for Hunger in the glass jar near the sanctuary doors for our Food Pantry.	
Offertory	“Siyahamba, I’m Gonna Sing” Bells of Balmoral	Tammy Waldrop
*Hymn 710	“We Lift Our Voices”	OFFERING
*Prayer to Dedicate the Gifts		Usher
*Hymn (see insert)	“I Am the Light of the World”	Jim Strathdee
*Charge & Blessing		Rev. Carla Meisterman
*Benediction Hymn	“Lord, Let Us Leave Now”	Old English Tune
	<p>Lord, let us leave now, filled with Thee anew, and pledged to Thy service in all that we do. Though we have some questions, our faith in Thee is sure. We know Thou art with us; Thy way will endure. Lord, let us leave now, filled with Thee anew, and pledged to Thy service in all that we do.</p>	



our worship has ended...our service begins...

announcements...

- **HEADSETS** for improved hearing are available in the sound booth at the window side of the sanctuary.
- A **LUNCH and LEARN** hosted by the Congregational Care Ministry will be held immediately after worship today. This session will be on the Medicare re-enrollment process and more info on Medicare. Jean Priest, of Jean Priest Solutions, will be speaking and taking questions. Jean has been with us before and has worked with a number of our members as well. Jean knows of all things Medicare! Tea & lemonade will be provided.
- **IDLEWILD PRESBYTERIAN'S CARILLON CONCERT** series offers "Celebrating U.S. Veterans, a Conductor and the Queen of Soul," this afternoon at 2:30pm. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, and refreshments. Stand up to sing along to the branch of the military in which you or your loved ones are serving or have served. Bells will ring out from the church's bell tower. The 45-minute concert is free and open to the public. (For more information, see this past week's newsletter.)
- **BOOK CLUB** meets Tuesday, November 13, at 1:30pm in the Office Conference Room. The 50th-anniversary edition of the bestselling novel, *The Spy Who Came in from the Cold*, that launched John le Carré's career worldwide is the November Book Club selection.
- **HOLIDAY 102 MINI-RETREAT:** Before you get caught up in holiday preparations, give a gift to yourself! Give yourself a few hours of reflection and meditation with Balmoral friends. Come to Holiday 102 (Holiday 101 is not a prerequisite!) on **Saturday, November 17**, from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm. Anne Hagler will be leading us in a variety of methods for creating inner calm and outer joy. **Sign-up** sheets are in the Friendship pads.
- **THANKSGIVING DINNER at PINECREST** is November 22, 11:30am-1pm. The cost is \$22/adult, \$15/child 4-10, under 4 free. RSVP by November 16 by calling 901-878-1247 or sending an email to pinecrestrc@wildblue.net.
- **SIGN UP for ADVENT DECORATING** the week of November 25. Dates are indicated on the Friendship pad sign-up sheets.
- **FOOD CART** items are still needed! The Food Pantry is serving more people than usual, and our donations are greatly appreciated.
- The **CLOTHING AND SHOE DRIVE** for the Johnson Auxiliary is still in progress. Bring new or gently used (and cleaned) clothing items for the baskets next to the food cart. Contact Beverly Hooker for more information.

prayer concerns...

birthdays...

NOVEMBER: Dave Ellis (11), Brucene Harrison (12), Sharon Blackwelder (14), Mike Singleton (16), Ellie Gurlen (16), Kristen Gurlen (17), Amy Berthouex (19), Amelia Lucas (21), Ray Rowland (30)

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