



Cross Roads Presbyterian Church
Monroeville, PA

August 21, 2022
Deuteronomy 5:1-22; Matthew 22:34-40

Notes

Today's flowers are given by Ralph and Priscilla Boyd in honor of their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

A warm Christian welcome is extended to all members and visitors. We pray that you will experience the presence and peace of God during this service of worship. Please remember to sign the fellowship pads found at the ends of the pews, pass them down the row and back again, so that we can greet one another by name.

If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to continue worshipping and serving with the Cross Roads Presbyterian Church family. The next new member class will be offered in September. Stay tuned for more information. If you wish to join Cross Roads Presbyterian Church, please mark your desire on the Fellowship Pad.

Today is Youth Sunday. We hope you will join us in celebrating our youth and in sharing worship time with them.

Today we will also have a Minute for Mission to learn more about our lighting campaign. Immediately following the service, we will have a tour through the part of the building where the lighting has been completed, and we'll end the tour in Fellowship Hall, where we invite you to enjoy a delicious Fellowship Hour in celebration of our capital campaign so far.

Please join us next week, when we will kickoff the new season of Christian Education and find out what learning opportunities are available for our children and adults.

The Gathering of God's People

PRELUDE *Here I Am to Worship*

Arr. Tomquist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION Lighting Campaign

EXPRESSION OF FRIENDSHIP

WESTMINSTER CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Today is a day we remember how much Jesus loves children.

Many: Thank you for the way children bring love to our lives.

One: Thank you God for the children of our church and community.

Many: Thank you for the life and hope children bring to our church family.

One: Thank you that children can also teach of your love.

Many: May we be open to their example and teaching.

One: Thank you God that all of us, young and old are your children.

Many: Thank you God for being our loving and caring Parent.

HYMN *King Jesus is All*

King Jesus is all (King Jesus is all)

My all in all (my all in all)

I know he'll answer (I know he'll answer)

Me when I call (me when I call)

Walking by my side (walking by my side)

I'm satisfied (I'm satisfied)

King Jesus is all (King Jesus is all)

My all in all (my all in all)

Well, I went out to seek the Lord (Oh yeah)

I stepped down on His word (Oh yeah)

I prayed my last prayer (Oh Yeah)

You know the Holy Ghost met me there (Oh yeah)

I stepped on the rock (uhh)
The rock was sound. (oo-oo)
Oh the love of God came a streaming down
The reason I know
He saved my soul
I dug down deep and I found pure gold

CALL TO CONFESSION

One: Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives as we ought. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Many: Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: If we confess with our lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead, we will be saved.

Many: Thanks be to God! Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

The Hearing of God's Word

CHILDREN'S TIME

Ben Little

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

5 Moses summoned all Israel and said:

Hear, Israel, the decrees and laws I declare in your hearing today. Learn them and be sure to follow them. ²The Lord our God made a covenant with us at Horeb. ³It was not with our ancestors^[a] that the Lord made this covenant, but with us, with all of us who are alive here today. ⁴The Lord spoke to you face to face out of the fire on the mountain. ⁵(At that time I stood between the Lord and you to declare to you the word of the Lord, because you were afraid of the fire and did not go up the mountain.) And he said:

⁶“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

⁷“You shall have no other gods before^[b] me.

⁸“You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. ⁹You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, ¹⁰but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

¹¹“You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

¹²“Observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy, as the Lord your God has commanded you. ¹³Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁴but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your ox, your donkey or any of your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns, so that your male and female servants may rest, as you do. ¹⁵Remember that you were slaves in Egypt and that the Lord your God brought you out of there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the Lord your God has commanded you to observe the Sabbath day.

¹⁶“Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live long and that it may go well with you in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

¹⁷“You shall not murder.

¹⁸“You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁹ “You shall not steal.

²⁰ “You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

²¹ “You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife. You shall not set your desire on your neighbor’s house or land, his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

²² These are the commandments the Lord proclaimed in a loud voice to your whole assembly there on the mountain from out of the fire, the cloud and the deep darkness; and he added nothing more. Then he wrote them on two stone tablets and gave them to me.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Reckless Love

Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me

You have been so, so good to me

Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me

You have been so so kind to me

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God

Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the 99

And I couldn't earn it

I don't deserve it, still You give yourself away

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God

When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me

You have been so, so good to me

When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me

You have been so, so kind to me

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending reckless love of God

Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the 99

And I couldn't earn it

I don't deserve it, still You give yourself away

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending reckless love of God

There's no shadow You won't light up

Mountain You won't climb up

Coming after me

There's no wall You won't kick down
Lie You won't tear down
Coming after me (x3)

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending reckless love of God
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the 99
I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it, still You give yourself away
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending reckless love of God

SECOND READING

Matthew 22:34-40

³⁴ Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. ³⁵ One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: ³⁶ “Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?”

³⁷ Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’^[d] ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹ And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’^[d] ⁴⁰ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”

SERMON *How I spent my Summer Vacation* Young People of Cross Roads

Calling of the Holy Spirit

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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

DOXOLOGY

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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN *They Will Know We are Christians by Our Love*

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

We Will work with each other, we will work side by side;
We will work with each other, we will work side by side;
And we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride.

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come;
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one.

CHARGE/BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Hosanna* Arr. Tomquist

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Lindsay White, Pastor; Ben Little, Director of Christian Education;
Youth of Cross Roads; Debbie Broker; Director of Music/Organist;
Dick Haessler, Head Usher; Dave Falvo, Technology Operator

SESSION MEMBERS

Class of 2022

Dick Haessler
Sharon Kehlert
Dean Sommer

Class of 2023

Lucille Jenkins
Patty Kyslinger
Carl Schwartz

Class of 2024

Rennie Rhodes
Martha Wintersgill
Caroline Zappa

DEACON BOARD

Class of 2022

Kathy Fagan
Jane Fraelich
Betsy Hughes

Class of 2023

Denise Graham
Sue Lomeo
Judy Shipley

Class of 2024

Nick Hughes
Ciara Rhea
Vacant

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Class of 2022

Jon Junker
Zane Rhea
Warren Junker

Class of 2023

Dave Falvo
Rick Kline

Class of 2024

Jay Race
Elizabeth Sommer
Steve Schultz

DJ Zappa

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lights...cameras...ACTION!!!

It's finally time! The lighting refresh project is well on its way. If you have an event scheduled for the next few weeks, please contact Chrissy ASAP to determine if your group may need to move rooms or postpone a meeting. We are going to work around the schedule as much as possible, but some things will need to be rearranged. We look forward to the bright lights, and we are grateful to all who have contributed to making this possible! Please contact Pastor Lindsay if you have any questions.

Capital Campaign Pledge Cards Today!

We will have a Minute for Mission about the capital campaign, and your pledge cards may be placed in the offering plate. Immediately following the service, we will have a tour through the part of the building where the lighting has been completed, and we'll end the tour in Fellowship Hall, where we invite you to

enjoy a delicious Fellowship Hour in celebration of our capital campaign so far. If you would feel more comfortable, when you fill out your pledge card, you can include only your envelope number rather than your name to maintain privacy. Only Pastor Lindsay and Chrissy (our Finance and Communications Assistant) will be viewing the pledge cards themselves. Thank you for your many and wonderful contributions to this project!

Cross Roads Preschool and Kids Day Out is starting its 51st year!

Did you know:

- Preschool starts September 6th!
- More than 100 children attend the preschool and another 50+ children attend the Kids Day Out Program.
- There are four different classes a day running from three-year-old to two Enrichment Classes (five-year-olds) with Kids Day running daily.
- Kids Day Out serves from six weeks old to five years old.
- There are more than 20 preschool/KDO staff.
- The preschool makes a Covenant payment 10 months a year to the church.
- We love volunteers and staff! If you are interested, love children and teaching, nurturing, and are energetic, please give us a call at 412.372.6836.

Something You May Not Know:

You very likely know that the Cross Roads Preschool has been running for more than fifty years here. Thousands of children from our congregation and surrounding communities have come through our doors to experience the Preschool and Kids Day Out (KDO) programs. They have learned, grown, stretched, excelled and been loved throughout it all. What an incredible mission of love!

What you may not know is that the Preschool and Cross Roads Presbyterian Church now have a written covenant between them. A task force was formed last year, and a covenant was created between the preschool and the church that puts into writing the relationship, responsibilities and expectations between the preschool and the church. Basically, it is a written document outlining how the preschool and the church work together.

The covenant contains information such as how much the preschool gives Cross Roads Presbyterian Church each month and how the preschool utilizes the church premises and what areas they may use. It also contains promises on behalf of the congregation to keep the building safe and functional and for our congregation to pray for the preschool ministry. Each year, the covenant will be reviewed and updated as need be to keep information and costs current.

* Fact-The preschool paid \$2,750 to the church every month this past school year (ten months).

The preschool board and staff would like to thank each and every one of you for your prayers, support and love throughout these many years. We look forward to the continuation of the wonderful relationship between the Cross Roads Preschool and the congregation of Cross Roads Presbyterian Church.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Traveling Joy

Traveling Joy is a group of people who visit our homebound members and sing a few hymns on their lawn. This has been well-received and is a wonderful way to let them know that we are thinking of them. It has also been uplifting for the persons singing. Today is the next visit, starting at 12:30 p.m. We'll meet at church and carpool to the homes. If you are interested in visiting the homebound (singing is optional), please join us or contact Patty Kyslinger at pkshamrock@comcast.net or 412.952.0155.

Collection for Gateway Middle School

The Women's Association of Cross Roads is partnering with the Guidance Department of Gateway School District to provide feminine

products to students in need. Donations will be collected today and on August 28 in order to have these products available for the start of the school year. Another donation drive will be held before the start of the second semester. We thank you in advance for your generosity! Items can be placed outside of the church office.

CE Recognition Sunday

Please join us next Sunday, August 28, at worship, where the Christian Education Committee will be recognizing those volunteers who helped in all areas of Christian Education this past year. Also, plan to join the CE Committee for a special Fellowship Hour following worship.

Bocce Finals

The bocce finals are on August 31. Semi-finals will begin at 6 p.m., followed by the finals around 7 p.m. Prior to the games, we will have a potluck picnic, which will begin at 5 p.m. Please bring a side or dessert if you are able, an entree will be provided. Please see the Epistle for instructions on how to R.S.V.P.

Women's Lydia Circle Bible Study

The Women's Association and the Mission and Outreach Committee are calling the ladies of the church and your friends! We are pleased to announce that Pastor Lindsay will be leading our monthly Bible study beginning on September 12 at 10 a.m. and continuing the second Monday of each month. We will meet in the Parlor as we begin the study series *Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight*. Study books are available in the church office for \$10. If you cannot attend in person, consider buying the study guide for your self-study of the Bible. We can Zoom with you if you prefer. We are looking forward to getting back into the study of the Bible with each other! If you have any questions, contact Lucille Jenkins at 412.646.2868 or LJenkins@jeepday.us or Ilona Beatty at 412.818.1075 or ibeatty051@gmail.com.

Annual Baby Shower

Since the late 1980s or early 1990s, the Women's Association of Cross Roads has hosted a Baby Shower for mothers in need at the East Liberty Family Health Care Center. Our congregation has donated generously for more than three decades! That opportunity is here again when the Women's Association and Mission and Outreach Committee host the annual Baby Shower on Sunday, September 25.

There are various ways to donate:

- Bring your gift to Fellowship Hall on Sept. 25 and then stay to enjoy Fellowship Hour
- Drive by the church circle where volunteers will accept your gifts from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Drop off your gift at the church office at any time
- Make a monetary donation online or in person

Items greatly appreciated by the Nurse Practitioners at the Pediatric Department at ELFHCC:

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| • digital thermometers | • blankets |
| • board books for babies | • NEWBORN (or preemie) booties |
| • onesies in various sizes | • NEWBORN disposable diapers |
| • hats for winter + summer | • baby nail clippers |
| various sizes | • nasal aspirators |

**** Please do *not* purchase any soaps, shampoos, creams, ointments etc.**

ONGOING HAPPENINGS

Sewing on Summer Break

Thank you to all the ladies who came to sew baby quilts last season and for all the work you did at home, too. The group will start meeting again the first Tuesday in September (September 6).

Prayer Warriors

If you could use additional prayers or would like to lift others up in prayer, please send an email to Patty Kyslinger at pkshamrock@comcast.net. The Prayer Warriors meet at 6 p.m. Thursdays on Zoom.

Pastoral Emergency

If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Pastor Lindsay at 412.215.8810. However, she will be on vacation from August 26 through August 31. If you have a pastoral emergency during that time, please contact Chrissy Newmyer or Betsy Hughes.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Sympathy

- The family and friends of Laurene Rymer. Her son, Jay entered the church triumphant on August 7.
- The friends and family of Alex and Lindsay White. Alex's grandmother entered the church triumphant on July 23.

Congregational Concerns

Carl Schwartz – recovering at home	Dean Sommer – recovering
Jeanne Smith – recovering at home	Rennie Rhodes – recovering
Jeff Schirm – recovering	Laurene Rymer – recovering
Chuck Hughes – more testing needed and treatment to start	

Friends of our Congregation

Alyssa (sister of Ben Little)
Sylvia Brown (friend of Margaret)
Gary and Jenny (EJ Sitler's children)
Jerry (brother-in-law of Carolyn Benson)
Linda (friend of Karen Teaman)
Carla (sister of Denise Graham)
Karen (friend of Jen Junker)
Elderly folks of the North Braddock Fire

Eric and Janice Mayhue (son & daughter-in-law of Larry Mayhue)
Laura and Baby Jaden (friends of Pastor Lindsay and Ben Little)
Paul (relative of Russ and Nancy Thompson)
Kathy and Tim (friends of Jane Fraelich)
Matt's Aunt (friend of DJ Zappa)
Marylou (friend of Carolyn Benson)
Miss Suzanne (friend of the Zappa's)
Stepson of Judy Marshall
Hope (Caroline Benson's daughter-in-law)
Ashley (Mark Guyton's daughter)
Russ (brother-in-law of Alice Leighton)
Maria and Baby (friend of Karen Teaman)
Linda (friend of Karen Teaman)

On-going Prayer Concerns

Tyler (nephew of Kim and Dan Shafer)
Tom (father of Alex White)
Emilia Grace (friend of Judy Shipley)
Keegan Cunningham's dad
Robert (father of Betsy Hughes)
Tommy (nephew of Jane Fraelich)
Ashley (Mark Guyton's daughter)
Sandy (sister of Alice Leighton)
Kevin and Kaylee (friends of Ben and Christina Little)
Patrick (nephew of Maureen McGowan's & Carl Swartz)
Our Preschool students, staff, and board members

Our Nation and World

Our President and our elected officials
Those affected by the shootings in our country
The situation in Ukraine
Our partnership with the Thundu Church in Malawi
For all our military personnel serving our country

COVID -19, Delta, Omicron and Deltacron Variances

For our congregational members with COVID, in contact w/COVID and being tested for COVID.

For those we love so very much

At Home: Barb Adams, Gilli Loginow, Kathy McLay, Denise Patterson, Jeanne Smith, Vera Spear, Carl Talackine and Barbara Wilt.

In Care Facilities: Madeline Brandon, Cathy Brown, Betty Kuzenski, Rita Marrow, Dee Petrocelli and Bobbi Schmidt.

Independent Living: Patsy Boyer and Barbara Carr

THIS WEEK AT CROSS ROADS

Sunday, August 21	10 a.m. Worship YOUTH SUNDAY 2 p.m. Girl Scouts
Monday, August 22	6 p.m. Bocce, Outside 7 p.m. Yoga. FH
Tuesday, August 23	6 p.m. Bocce, Outside 7 p.m. Deacons Zoom
Wednesday, August 24	Noon AA, 1 st Fl. Conf. Rm. 6 p.m. Bocce, Outside
Thursday, August 25	6 p.m. Prayer Warriors, Zoom 7 p.m. ACOA, 1 st Floor Conf. Rm. 6 p.m. Boy Scouts Welcome Picnic 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts, outdoors 7 p.m., Boy Scouts, FH 7 p.m. Session Zoom
Friday, August 26	10 a.m. Art Group, 1 st Fl. Conf. Rm. 11 a.m. Connections mailing
Sunday, August 28	Worship with Ben Little Fall Christian Education Kickoff