

These are the commandments which you are to obey in the land you will be entering. The purpose of these laws is to cause you, your children, and your grandchildren to reverence the Lord. If you will obey all these instructions as long as you live, you will have long, prosperous years ahead. Therefore, O Israel, listen closely to each command and be careful to obey it, so that all will go well with you. If you obey these commands, you will become a great nation in a glorious land flowing with milk and honey, even as the God of your fathers promised you.

Deuteronomy 6:1-3

This is probably the most often-quoted passage in the Bible. Known as the Shema, (Hebrew: *Hear*). Deuteronomy 6:4 is said several times a day by Orthodox Jews and others.



Teach Your Children Well

Service for the Lord's Day

April 7, 2019

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Gathering Around the Word

Gathering Music

Invocation

Herbert Howells

Striking of the Hour

Welcome

Prelude

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring
Mike Kanan, piano

J. S. Bach

We Rise in Spirit and in Body

Call to Worship

Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord with all your soul, and with all your heart, and with all your might.

The words God has commanded shall be upon our hearts!

And we shall teach them to our children with diligence, and talk of them, when we sit, and stand; when we walk or lie down.

We will do what is good and right in the sight of the Lord, that it may go well for us, in receiving the promises the Lord swore to our ancestors.

(Deuteronomy 6:4-8, 18)

Hymn 645

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

God's commands should not be separated from the promises made to Israel, nor from the coming kingdom of God. God commands a new order and a new reality. God describes this new way though the gift of the Law.

The struggle becomes a victory; sin is forgiven; Lent turns to Easter.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession: (Responsive)

The Commandments of the Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: If you love me, Keep my commandments; (*Jn. 14:15*). Happy are those who hear the word of God and keep it (*Lk. 11:28*). I am the Lord your God; you shall have no other gods but me (*Ex. 20:2, 3*). You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength (*Deut. 6:4,5 ; Mt. 22:37*).

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not make for yourself any idol (*Ex 20:4*). God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and in truth (*Jn. 4:24*).

All: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not dishonor the name of the Lord your God (*Exod. 20:7*). You shall worship Him with awe and reverence (*Heb. 12:28*).

All: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Remember the Lord's day and keep it holy (*Ex. 20:8*). Christ is risen from the dead (*1 Cor. 15:20*): set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth (*Col. 3:2*)

All: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Honor your father and mother (*Ex. 20:12*). Live as servants of God; honor all people; love the brotherhood (*1 Pet. 2:16b, 17a*).

All: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not commit murder (*Ex. 20:13*). Be reconciled to your neighbor (*Rom. 12:10a*), overcome evil with good (*Rom. 12:21*).

All: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not commit adultery (*Ex. 20:14*). Know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit (*1 Cor. 6:19*).

All: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not steal (*Exod. 20:15*). Be honest in all that you do and care for those in need (*Deut. 15:11*).

All: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not be a false witness (*Exod. 20:16*). Let everyone speak the truth, (*Zech. 8:16; Eph. 4:25*).

All: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

You shall not covet anything which belongs to your neighbor (*Exod 20:17*). Remember the words of the Lord Jesus: It is more blessed to give than to receive (*Acts 20:35*). Love your neighbor as yourself (*Lk. 10:27b*), for love is the fulfilling of the law. (*Rom. 13:10b*).

All: Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these Your laws in our hearts, we pray You.

A period of silence is observed for personal confession.

Declaration of Good News

Response Hymn 166 *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*

ST. FLAVIAN

*As Thou with Satan didst contend, And didst the victory win,
O give us strength in Thee to fight, In Thee to conquer sin.
Abide with us, that so, this life Of suffering over past,
An Easter of unending joy We may obtain at last!*

Passing of the Peace

God in Christ has commissioned us with the message of reconciliation.

Hearing the Word

All may sit

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading (Responsive)

Deuteronomy 6:20-25

Teach Your Children the Law

In the future, your children will ask you, "What is the meaning of the laws, the regulations, and the case laws that the LORD our God commanded you?" **Tell them: We were Pharaoh's slaves in Egypt. But the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand.** Before our own eyes, the LORD performed great and awesome deeds of power against Egypt, Pharaoh, and his entire dynasty. **But the Lord brought us out from there so that he could bring us in, giving us the land that he swore to our ancestors.** Then the LORD commanded us to perform all these regulations, revering the LORD our God, so that things go well for us always and so we continue to live, as we're doing right now. **What's more, we will be considered righteous if we are careful to do all these commandments before the LORD our God, just as he commanded us.**

Anthem

On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

arr. David H. Williams

Epistle Reading

I Peter 2:2-10

An Appeal to the People to be Holy

Like a newborn baby, desire the pure milk of the word. Nourished by it, you will grow into salvation, since you have tasted that the Lord is good. Now you are coming to him as to a living stone. Even though this stone was rejected by humans, from God's perspective it is chosen, valuable. You yourselves are being built like living stones into a spiritual temple. You are being made into a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices that are acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. Thus it is written in scripture, *Look! I am laying a cornerstone in Zion, chosen, valuable. The person who believes in him will never be shamed.* So God honors you who believe. For those who refuse to believe, though, the stone the builders tossed aside has become the capstone. This is a stone that makes people stumble and a rock that makes them fall. Because they refuse to believe in the word, they stumble. Indeed, this is the end to which they were appointed. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people who are God's own possession. You have become this people so that you may speak of the wonderful acts of the one who called you out of darkness into his amazing light. Once you weren't a people, but now you are God's people. Once you hadn't received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Sermon

More than "Milk and Honey"

Matthew Covington

All Stand

Response Hymn 717

For the Life That You Have Given

PLEADING SAVIOR

Responding to the Word

All Sit

Lenten Testimony

Cindy Tanner

Affirmation of Faith

Drawn From Scripture

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things yet to come, nor powers, nor heights, nor depths, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
(Romans 8:1, 28, 38, 39) Psalm 32

Offering

Offertory

Deep River

TRADITIONAL

Wayne Pope, baritone Beth Pope, piano

All Stand

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 Thanksgiving

All Sit

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Buck in a Basket
for April will
benefit our Food
Pantry.

The Lord's Supper
obeys Jesus' command,
"this do in remembrance of
me."

By receiving bread
and wine that has
been consecrated,
we are also seeking
to obey Leviticus
19:2: "You shall be
holy, as the Lord
your God is holy."

.... So with all those in every time and place who have called upon you expectantly, we rejoice in your gracious presence, singing:

Sanctus *Sanctus* Joseph Roff
(congregation and choir)
*Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of power and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.
Ho-san-na in the high-est.
Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est.*

Music at Communion *Chorale Prelude* J. S. Bach
Our Father, Who Art in Heaven

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.

Bearing and Following the Word into the Created World

Closing Hymn 707 *Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord* HALL

Benediction

Postlude *O Christ, Our True and Only Light* Helmut Walcha

WELCOME VISITORS!

We invite you to pick up visitor's information on your way out, either in the narthex or on the table on the Right in the downstairs entrance hall. Ushers will be standing by to help you find them. Always know that a cordial greeting is extended by ministers, officers, and congregation.

If you have a fussy baby or are coughing, etc., the worship service may be viewed from the parlor via television (across the hall from the Sanctuary). Loving childcare is available in our children's center for children 3 and under on Sundays, and children's activity packets are available in the narthex.

Our church Elders: Karol Ahmed, Mark Bigler, Pam Bratcher, David Coverdale, Mary Evans, Rob Hale, Matt Hunt, Mike Kanan, John Kernohan, Stuart Kernohan, Tim Leigh, Nancy Moore, Pamela Napier, David Sears, and David Thomison. **Our church Deacons:** Rider Allen, Sally Calkins, Judy Clark, Rocky Cooper, Shannon Dyche, Ray Elms, Cathey Green, Jean Harris, Linda Leigh, Tom MacMillin, Debbie Morse, David Muffett, Teri Polen, Charlotte Prow, Ken Royse, Susan Thomison, and Debbie Trickey.

Donate Online:

We have recently set up the church website to accept online donations. Just go to the website below and fill out the simple form. Donations can also be made from your smart phone. You can also scan the QR code, right..

<https://bgpresdonate.cloverdonations.com/online-donations/>



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Announcements

USHERS: The Simmons, Humphrey, and Moore families

LAY READER: Susan Thomison

MEDIA PERSONNEL: Barbara Solberg-Hale and Matt Hunt

COMMUNION SERVERS: Mark Bigler, Pam Bratcher, Buzz English, Mary Evans, John Fitts, Matt Hunt, John Kernohan, Pamela Napier, David Sears

NURSERY ATTENDANTS: Alisia Mosley and Kimberly Watkins

LIBRARIAN: Arnie Petrus, arfranke@msn.com

CHILDREN'S MUSIC: Ellie Osborne

LECTIONARY FOR NEXT SUNDAY, April 14: Liturgy of the Palms-

Luke 19:28-40; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29. Liturgy of the Passion- Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 22:14-23:56 or Luke 23:1-49.

DEACONS OF THE WEEK this week will be Rocky Cooper and Linda Leigh. Deacons assist the Pastor in caring for our congregation. You may contact them through the church office: 270-843-4707.

THE ROSE AT THE COMMUNION TABLE honors the birth of Garvin Echo Moore, who is the son of Devon and Katherine Moore of Asheville, North Carolina. Grandparents are Nancy and Russell Moore and Kathy Garvin Hunt.

BUCK IN A BASKET for April will help our Food Pantry. We have seen a steadily high demand for help with food and your gifts will help us continue to meet that demand. We appreciate both your financial support and your gifts of non-perishables that we need.

A ROUND TABLE PULPIT continues on Monday evenings, 5:00pm. Come read and study the scriptures for the next Sunday - enhance your biblical knowledge and possibly help shape the sermon. The Rev. Dr. Matthew Covington leads.

TODAY:

WHAT ARE OUR CHILDREN LEARNING? Our preschool group heard about Peter in Matthew 26:69-75. Our early elementary experienced Jesus' Triumphal Entry from Matthew 21. Older elementary read and responded to Luke 15:1-2; 11-24, a continuation of last week. Please read the stories at home with your children and talk about what God wants them (and you) to learn. **NOTE:** regular classes next Sunday, OFF on Easter Sunday.

HELP US BE GOOD STEWARDS! We enjoy good food and fellowship during our Wednesday meals in Lent (and Advent). We ask for your RSVP so enough food is prepared. If a reservation is made but the individual(s) do not come or are not able to attend, the church has to pay for the food that was prepared. Please let us know if you can't come. Paying for a missed meal will also help us keep our costs within budget. Thank you for helping us.

THE BANNERS now hung in the sanctuary are in celebration of The Presbyterian Church of Bowling Green's 200th Anniversary. Artists Peg Truman and Myra Dwyer have fashioned two blank canvases into a historical timeline of our church from 1819 to 2019. The banner on the left side of the sanctuary depicts the buildings of our church throughout time, and the banner on the right has vignettes that depict the life and mission of our church.

Calendar

Sunday, April 7

8:30 a.m.	Fellowship
9:00 a.m.	Children's Music
9:45 a.m.	Sunday Morn. Circle
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
10:30 a.m.	Worship
5:30 p.m.	Youth Group

Monday, April 8

11:30 a.m.	Circle 9
5:00 p.m.	Round Table Pulpit

Tuesday, April 9

9:00 a.m.	POPS
11:00 a.m.	Special Care
2:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting
7:00 p.m.	Sunny 16 Camera Club
7:00 p.m.	Evening Circle

Wednesday, April 10

9:00 a.m.	POPS
9:15 a.m.	Wed. Morning Circle
5:30 p.m.	Lenten Dinner
6:05 p.m.	Lenten Worship
7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir

Saturday, April 13

10:30 a.m.	Easter Egg Hunt
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COMING UP:

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING SEASON is upon us. One of four special offerings of the PC(U.S.A.), OGHs is celebrating 70 years of making a difference in the world. Our gifts fund three important ministries: The Presbyterian Hunger Program, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and Self-Development of People. Especially with the recent disasters in Africa with the cyclone, the floods in the Mid-west and ongoing recovery in Puerto Rico, Florida and other hurricane-impacted areas, the funds from Presbyterian Disaster Assistance are especially needed. There will be an envelope in the bulletin on Easter Sunday or you may put 'OGHS' in the memo line of your check. Thank you for your generosity!

WEDNESDAY LENTEN DINNER April 10. Dinner is served at 5:30pm, with our devotional time beginning at 6:05pm. RSVPs required for dinner by Tuesday noon each week. This week's menu: BLT Club Sandwich, Potato Salad, Homemade Pecan Pie with ice cream/whipped topping. \$8 adults, \$5 child/youth, \$20 family maximum.

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT is Saturday April 13, 10:30am, 1740 Greenview Lane (if rain, come to church). Bring your children, grandchildren, invite your neighbors! Fun activities and more.

COLLEGIATE ENSEMBLE MEMBERS perform in WKU Opera with music direction by Dr. Wayne Pope: Two comic one-act operas at WKU: Haydn's *La Canterina* and Gilbert and Sullivan's *Trial by Jury*; April 7 at 3:00 p.m. CST, Russell Miller Theatre. Tickets \$20.00 (Tax included), Student/Senior (62+) \$16.00 (Tax included) For tickets visit wku.showare.com or call WKU Fine Arts Box Office M-F, noon to 4, at (270) 745-3121.

EASTER BREAKFAST: Join us for fellowship over breakfast on Easter Sunday, April 21. Breakfast will be served beginning at 8:30 (immediately following the Sunrise Service) and conclude at 10:00am. **SUNDAY SCHOOL IS ON BREAK.** Breakfast is \$6 per person, \$20 family (with children/youth) maximum. Sausage casserole, fruit, biscuits/gravy, French Toast Casserole.

CIRCLES CIRCLE 9 will meet on Monday, April 8th at 11:30am. The **TUESDAY EVENING CIRCLE** will meet on Tuesday, April 9th at 7:00pm. The **WEDNESDAY MORNING CIRCLE** will meet on Wednesday, April 10th at 9:15am in the youth room.

BLOOM WHERE YOU ARE PLANTED Presbyterian Women of Western Kentucky Presbytery Spring Gathering: **Save the Date** - Thursday, April 11, 2019; **Place:** The Presbyterian Church of Henderson, 100 South Main Street, Henderson, Kentucky; **Time:** 9:30 Registration; 10:00 Opening Activities; **Lunch:** \$5.00.

MAY 5TH IS OUR TACO BAR youth Fundraiser - Please come along for some food and fellowship; this event will help fund-raise for our youth summer trips. If you would like to donate food, sign up here or speak to David Clarke: <https://perfectpotluck.com/meals.php?t=VAQX7765&v=6ecc47c647>

OTHER NEWS:

CUPCAKES, BROWNIES, & COOKIES NEEDED for our Egg Hunt. Please bring items to the office by NOON on Friday, April 12. Thank you!

THERE IS SUCH A THING AS A FREE MEAL. Help needed with set up and clean up each week for our Lenten Meals. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094aa9ab2ca7f49-lenten> is the place to go to sign up - and if you help, YOU EAT FREE! Questions? See Leslee Kirkconnell.

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CELEBRATING KINDNESS We are so close to 200 acts of kindness! Don't forget to update the poster with a sticker to represent your acts of kindness. Do this weekly and let's see how many we can collect by April 14! You can also submit your act of kindness in writing and place it in one of the three red baskets (10th street entrance, narthex, or at the elevator by the fireplace).

THE FOOD PANTRY needs dry beans, white rice, peanut butter, soup, canned fruit/vegetables (easy open cans as possible). Donations may be left in the drawers under the stairs marked 'Food Pantry.'

A REQUEST FROM HOTEL, INC. HOTEL, INC. has noted an increasing need for soap (family size hand and laundry) and hygiene products. There are many requests but few supplies available. If any in the congregation can help with that need, please bring items to the church and leave with the office staff. Many items are available from the Dollar Tree! Thank you!