



The Painesville United Methodist Church

On the Square...Steeped in Prayer

Sunday, October 24, 2021
Keeping Company with the Psalms—Week 2
“Providence—God Is Our Strength”



An Invitation to Keep Company with the Psalms

Dear Friends,

Pastor Jim
Winkler

Through the generations, people of faith have learned to pray by praying the Psalms. The Psalms give us the language of prayer, **and** the Psalms give us permission to be expressive of the whole range of human emotions. We need not try to “impress” God. We do not need to “hide” from God as they did in the Garden. We can and should be honest and transparent and open with God.

To get my point, think about the typical Church Pictorial Directories. We dress up, smile, and put our “game face” on. But as a parent, I know what it was like to get the kids and ourselves ready for the photo shoot. There was always a lot of fussing and tears and protests getting ready for the photo and there was plenty of fussing and complaining afterwards as well. It was a stressful experience – but you would never know it from the smiles and charm of the Pictorial Directories.

Authentic prayer is not like our church pictorial directory photos, nice as they are. God does not want just our Sunday morning, nice, smiling, dressed up kind of prayers. If we take the Psalms as our model, we will soon find out that the language is not “polite” or “nice” or “everything’s FINE!” or “polished and poetic” like some of the Psalms in the King James Version.

Eugene Peterson puts it this way. “Untutored, we tend to think that prayer is what good people do when they are doing their best. It is not. Inexperienced, we suppose that there must be an ‘insider’ language that must be acquired before God takes us seriously in our prayer. There is not.”

Certainly the Psalms are not like that. The Hebrew language is not smooth and harmonious and polished like King James English. The Hebrew language is raw, guttural, earthy, rough, unscreened, uncensored, emotional. Prayer modeled on the Psalms gives voice to the entire experience of being human. It demonstrates the values of honesty, transparency, thoroughness. *Everything* comes before God. God does not want us to hold back; God does not want us to hide ourselves from God.

Based on the Psalms, we come before God with our gratitude, our joy, our delight, our thanksgiving, our praise. And, based on the Psalms, we come before God with our ragged complaints, our laments, our despair, our fears, our anxieties, our anger, our resentment, our prejudices, our suffering.

As we come before God with honesty and transparency, God goes to work on the whole of our lives – “the good, the bad, and the ugly” – and transformation begins to happen.

“I look up to the mountains; does my strength come from mountains? No, my strength comes from God, who made heaven, and earth, and mountains.”

With you on the Journey of Faith,
Pastor Jim

PUMC Radio Broadcast: 10:00 am - WKKY, 104.7 FM; PUMC Livestream: 10:00 am and archived.

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Welcome & Announcements

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Prelude Choral and Fugue on "A Mighty Fortress" arr. Denton

Children's Time Reception of New Members

Invitation to This Journey from *Prayers from the Heart* by Richard Foster
(See the Hymn Sheet)

Hymn of Praise "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" UMH #110

Passing the Peace of Christ

Call to Prayer "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" FWS 2193

**"Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace."**

Ministry Message "Message from the Subaru" Nick Connavino

Prayer Requests Pastoral Prayer 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 for ever. Amen"**

Special Music (8:15) "Like a River In My Soul" Osiek
(Fritz Streiff, soloist)

Anthem (10:00) "Like a River In My Soul" Osiek
(Chancel Choir)

Scripture Lessons Psalm 121; Matthew 6:31-34

Message "Providence—God Is Our Strength" Rev. Jim Winkler

Offertory "Morning Hymn" Young

The New Doxology FWS #2251, Verse 3

**Glory be to God the Father, glory be to Christ the Son, glory to the Holy Spirit,
ever three and ever one; as it was in the beginning, glory now resounds again
in a song that has no ending. Amen.**

Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving "How Firm a Foundation" UMH #529

Benediction 2 Corinthians 13:14
**The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the
fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all now and always.**

Postlude "How Firm a Foundation" Bish

Youth Group

Thank you to the Strickland's for hosting the youth and families for s'mores last week.

Yesterday, October 23rd., the youth volunteered at the Lake Farm Park Haunted Drive-thru.

Today: 10 am worship, 11:30 am-1:30 pm Fall Harvest Party in Parsons Hall

Nov 21: 10 am-1 pm, worship, Walking Tacos for lunch and YG

Nov 28: 6 - 8pm, Youth Mission Meeting

Dec 5: 10 am-1pm, worship, lunch, and YG

Dec 5: St. Nick's Eve,
Put a shoe out on your doorstep

No Youth Mission Meeting in December

Dec 18:
Wreaths Across America at Evergreen Cemetery.

Jan 26-31: Margie out of town

Feb 13: 10 am-5 pm, worship, pack a lunch, Jesus Christ Superstar at Connor Palace at Playhouse Square

Feb 19: 10 am-2 pm, Soup Kitchen at St. James

Harvest Fall Party
Today, 11:30 am—1:30 pm
Fun, Food, Fellowship
Parsons Hall

Painesville United Methodist Church
presents...
Concert Series
2021-2022

Kelias Duo
presents
"Musical Reflections
of America."

Sunday, October 24, 2021
4:00 p.m.

Judith Elias, flute, and Sanni Tenkku Kearns, piano,
assisted by Jerald Marshall, organ,
perform music by American composers
Copland, Ewazen, and Linthicum-Blackhorse.

Jim Winkler, Pastor
Fritz Streiff, Director of Music Ministry

Those Needing Prayer: Linda Adkins, Ann, Pat Ball, Dottie Bentley, Becky Bieder, Jeannie Bishop, Shawn Bowers, The Family of Kelley Lynne Carter, Carolyn Carter, Rick Carothers, Mike Chongris, Donna Cole, Christy Crouch, Dan & MaryBeth Davison, Dave, The Elly Family, Jim Fischer, Bob & Jennifer Forsyth, Dale Frechette, Jerry and Pat Gee, Janice Gochneaur, Lois Griffin, Guy, The Haehn Family, Judy Hempel, Sylvia Hill, Susan Horn, Glen Huffman, Lorne Kinsella, Laura, Deborah Lewis, Linda, Christine Trushel-Mann, The Maruschek and Marshall Families, Tim Mathis, Sue Mixer, Richard Mozek, Dave Pierce, Erin Potter, Jeanette Quesenberry, Sharon Regal, The Family of Judy Reider, Dana, Richard Riczinger, Rose Rodgers, Bill Rosati, Rudy, John & MaryAnn Sanders, Sarah, Peter Sarosy, Margaret Scullion, Wyatt Smith, Marge Thomas, Gary Welch, Joy Wootton, David Zautner, all persons in the military and first responders, those suffering from the virus, and their care-givers, and prayers for our country and world. *Those needing prayers will remain on the list for 4 weeks. If you would like someone to remain on list for an additional four weeks, please re-submit their name.*

COMMUNICATION WITH THE CHURCH: MY NAME: _____

PHONE # _____ BEST TIME TO CALL: DAYTIME () EVENING () WEEKENDS ()

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

I WOULD LIKE A CALL FROM THE PASTOR () I WOULD LIKE A VISIT FROM MEMBER CARE ()

PLEASE ADD ME TO THE PRAYER LIST ()

PLEASE ADD THIS PERSON TO THE PRAYER LIST: _____

I WOULD LIKE A PRAYER SHAWL FOR: _____

GENERAL COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS: _____

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October Livestreaming sponsored by:

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Today's Radio Broadcast sponsored by:

P.S. Wilcoxon

Thank you!!

Pick your special Sunday & let us know!!

This Week at PUMC

Thursday, October 28, 9 am—Noon	FOOD PANTRY	Atrium & home delivery
Sunday, October 31: 8:15 & 10 am	In-person Worship	Sanctuary. 10 am on Radio & Livestream

Attendance & Offerings

Worship at 8:15: 30

Worship at 10:00: 73

Watching Livestream: 74

Total Offerings, including on-line giving:

Total:	\$ 7445
Operating Fund:	\$ 4172
Building Fund:	\$ 1230
Food Pantry	\$ 25
Radio/Livestream	\$ 37
Concert Series	\$ 1800

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~ Happy Fall PUMC! ~



October 26: Lee Behnke

October 26: Kathy Bushanan

October 26: Irlene Jurgelis

October 26: Stacey Rodgers

October 28: Karen Hersman

October 29: Dean Williams

October 30: Larry Rossman



Friend of the Week

Jeannie Bishop
 Grand River
 Health & Rehab Center

Our Kitchen is in need of dish towels and dish rags/cloths!

Two dozen of each would be great!

So far, we have received 10 dish towels!

Contact Jean Brush to donate or just bring them to the church office. *Thank You*



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