

* Hymn, No. 41 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* WELLESLEY

* Charge and Benediction

* Response *Threefold Amen* Choir

* Extinguishing the Candles, taking forth the Light of Christ

* Postlude *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* arr. by Matt Hyzer

* *Congregation will please stand*

Bold *Congregation will please respond*

BRENTHAVEN CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*A welcoming community of Christian disciples seeking to
love and serve God and neighbor*

April 14, 2024 ✝ 10:45 am



“Have you got anything to eat?” Jesus asks his bewildered disciples, and when they hand him a piece of broiled fish, he eats it in their presence. Such a simple act, but something shifts as a result of it. Something becomes possible that was impossible before. As Jesus eats, the disciples lose enough of their fear to draw close and actually listen to what he’s saying, and their receptivity allows Jesus to “open their minds to understand.” By the end of the encounter, they are no longer frightened men -- they are “witnesses of these things,” emboldened for life and ministry.

-- Debie Thomas

Gathering

* Hymn, No. 210 *I Know That My Redeemer Lives!* DUKE STREET

* Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Prayer Concerns

Call to Worship *He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought* William Bradbury

Time of Quiet Prayer and Prayer of Blessing

Hymn, No. 611 *He Hideth My Soul* (Chorus) KIRKPATRICK

Confession

The psalmist assures us that the Lord is near to all who call on God in truth. So, with that assurance of God’s presence, God’s steadfast love, and God’s overwhelming mercy, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Time for Silent Confession

Before God, with the people of God, I confess to my brokenness: to the ways I wound my life, the lives of others, and the life of the world.

May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.

Amen.

Before God, with the people of God, we confess to our brokenness: to the ways we wound our lives, the lives of others, and the life of the world.

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Amen.

* Response, No. 705

Glory Be to the Father

GREATOREX

Proclaiming

Children’s Time

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Acts 3:12-19 (pg. 993, Pew Bible)

Second Reading

1 John 3:1-7 (pg. 1111, Pew Bible)

Anthem

Oh How He Loves You and Me
with *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

arr. by John Purifoy

Oh, how He loves you and me, oh, how He loves you and me. He gave His life, what more could He give? Oh, how He loves you, oh, how He loves me, Oh, how He loves you and me. Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly. While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high. Jesus to Calv’ry did go, His love for mankind to show. What He did there brought hope from despair. Oh, how He loves you, oh, how He loves me, oh, how He loves you and me. Spring Thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity. Oh, how He loves you, oh, how He loves me, oh, how He loves you and me.

Gospel

Luke 24:36b-48 (pg. 965, Pew Bible)

Sermon

Eating with Ghosts

Rev. Kip J. Rush

Invitation to Discipleship

* Hymn, No. 366

O God Beyond All Praising

THAXTED

* Affirmation of Faith

from Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him.

He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Responding

Silent Prayers and Prayer of Intercession

Offertory Sentence

Offertory

Sing to the Lord!

Lani Smith

* Response, No. 706

Praise God from Whom All Blessings

OLD HUNDREDTH

* Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord’s Prayer (*using “sins” & “those who sin against us”*)

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; lead us, not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sending

APRIL 14, 2024

10:45 am Worship Service

Nursery/Wee Worship Care: Betsy Canupp & Childcare Solutions

We will have an **Open House** immediately following worship today, and we are encouraging you to come and see the improvements that have been made to the manse.

Our next **Women's Ministry meeting** is coming up **Tuesday, April 23** at 10:30 am. We will be visiting **Thistle Farms** for lunch. If you are interested in going, please RSVP by contacting the church office no later than Sunday, April 21.

The **Ladies "Growing Together" Brunch** is **Saturday, May 11** from 10:30 am–12:30 pm. Invitations have been sent and responses can be made by dropping your card in the offering or calling the church office by April 20. We are blessed with some talented gardeners who will present a short program about our beautiful entry garden, share some plants that have worked for them, and show us how to put together a beautiful garden pot. We look forward to seeing you, and we hope you will bring a friend.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUN., APR. 14	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Worship Service
	12:00 PM	Open House for Manse
	12:00 PM	Step-UP (Montgomery Bell State Park)
	5:00 PM	Youth ROCKS
MON., APR. 15	10:00 AM	Young @ Heart (<i>Adult Library</i>)
	6:00 PM	VBS Planning Meeting (<i>Adult Library</i>)
WED., APR. 17	6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal (<i>Choir Room</i>)
THURS., APR. 18	9:30 AM	BookEnd Book Club (<i>Adult Library</i>)
	11:00 AM	Creative Crafts (<i>Adult Library</i>)
	12–4 PM	Blood Drive (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)
FRI., APR. 19	1:00 PM	Mah Jongg (<i>Youth Room</i>)
SUN., APR. 21	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Worship Service
	12:00 PM	Missions Ministry Meeting (<i>Adult Library</i>)
	5:00 PM	Youth ROCKS

PRAYER CONCERNS

Recent Additions

Judy Baggett (*friend of Bob Dozier*)
Sierra Broome (*friend of Lorri Jean Pulley*)
Scott Mennen (*son-in-law of Barbara Dial*)

Members

Gladys & Charles Belew, Joan Bledsoe, Bill Blewett, Phyllis Burkhalter, Ben Davis, Billy Dial, Jane Dowden, Marilyn Ewen, Ollie Faircloth, Fred Ford, Sr., Barbara Gentry, Paul Gonzales, Madge Graves, Tommy Hennessy, Linda Lipe, Barbara Loyall, Dawn & Walter McBee, Cheryl Morris, Jack Phillips, Jodi Rush, Guy Sneed, Cheryl Tabor, Don Tabor, Julie Travis

Family and Friends

Pat Allen (*mother of Greg T. Allen*), Abby Bailey and Family (*friend of Jane Dowden*), Merritt Brakebill (*brother-in-law of Joe Malloy*), Becky Brown (*friend of Becky Jones*), Michelle Burke (*daughter of Joyce Burch*), Mary Ruth Campbell (*step-mother of Barry & Darryl Campbell*), Betty Canupp (*mother of Betsy Canupp*), John Copeland (*nephew of Martha Stewart*), Steve Crawford (*friend of Carol Perryman*), Mac Crome (*cousin of Miab Faircloth*), Johnny Cunningham (*friend of Ford family*), Kevin Floyd (*son of Treva Floyd*), Seth Genes (*friend of the McCulleys*), Ann Ghianni (*sister-in-law of Tim Ghianni*), Helen James (*friend of Julie Travis*), Doug Johnson (*friend of Shali & Frank Scott*), Rex Lineberry (*brother of Pat Chesnut*), Walter McBee, Jr. (*son of Walter McBee, Sr.*), Sue McClelland (*mother of Rachel Campbell*), Martha Malloy (*mother of Joe Malloy*), Jackie Nash (*friend of Julie Travis*), Sherry Norton (*friend of Deborah Deaton*), Ayden Orr (*friend of Ollie, Baird and Miab Faircloth*), Heather Perillo (*daughter of Dawn & Walter McBee*), Melissa Pyne (*granddaughter of Doris Cantagallo*), Yvonne Reid (*aunt of Liz Strickland*), Raymond Roman (*friend of Amity Marsh*), Rev. Teresa Shauf (*CP Minister*), Brittany Spradling, Judy Smith (*friend of Janiece Redmon*), Jim Summitt (*uncle of Blair Summitt*), Forrest Sutton (*brother-in-law of Ean Taylor*), James Talley, Garry Todd (*friend of Barbara Dial and others*), Bill Turner (*brother-in-law of Cheryl Tabor*), Wilma Wade (*sister of Kaye Holland*), Philip & Isabel Ward (*parents of Heather McDonald*), Hayden White (*friend of Becky Jones*), Iza Wojcik family and father John Kavouklis (*friends of Liz Strickland*), those serving our country

Deaths

Family of Rev. Charles Bowker (*father of Scott Bowker*)
Family of James Tony Patterson (*brother-in-law of Gina Wattenbarger*)

