

July 20, 2025

W PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BLOOMINGDALE

To lead people to become followers of Jesus Christ
By serving God, our congregation & our community at large

ARISE AND BUILD

Rev. Susan Hill Jill Andrew, Children's Ministry Director Bill Andrew, Music Director

Wherever you are on your faith journey, you are welcomed here.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

O Lord, open our lips and our mouth shall proclaim your praise. May Christ, the true, the only light banish all darkness from our hearts and minds. Visit us with your salvation and sustain us with your gracious Spirit.

HYMN # 702

Christ Be Beside Me

OPENING PRAYER with LORD'S PRAYER

Blessed are you, creator of all, to you be praise and glory for ever.

As your dawn renews the face of the earth bringing light and life to all creation, may we rejoice in this day you have made; as we wake refreshed from the depths of sleep, open our eyes to behold your presence and strengthen our hands to do your will, that the world may rejoice and give you praise. As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever. In Christ's name we pray as he taught us, saying...

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

KIDZ TIME

CALL TO CONFESSION

God calls us here to worship. We carry many worries and are distracted by many things, but here, in this time and place, we are invited to set them aside, to be fully present. Let's pause and take a deep breath, as we offer our silent prayer of confession.

We trust in God's grace, when we fall short of living fully as Christ desires for us. Let us pray together, saying...

Holy God, we are pulled in many different directions. We are distracted by the news, quick to point fingers and pass judgment, but reluctant to examine the

ways we benefit from the injustice in our world. We are distracted by our fears. We fear the loss of health, safety, and financial security. Instead of proclaiming your abundance, we operate from a mindset of scarcity. We are distracted by our tasks, by calendars that shape our priorities, leaving us with less time and energy for what is most important. We confess our distraction, even as we acknowledge that sometimes we embrace it because it's easier than sitting at Jesus's feet, learning what it means to follow him. We confess that distraction is easier than discipleship. Forgive us. Help us discern and choose the better path as we seek to follow Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

This good news will not be taken away: We are seen as God's beloved children, holy and blameless, reconciled to God through Jesus Christ. Let us live into this good news: we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER RESPONSE

HYMN # 450 Be Thou My Vision (vs 1)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; thou my best thought, by day or by night, working or sleeping, thy presence my light.

SCRIPTURE Psalm 15 OT page 388

OFFERING with Doxology

PASSING CHRIST'S PEACE TO ONE ANOTHER

HYMN # 452 Open the Eyes of My Heart

SCRIPTURE Col. 1:15-28 NT page 833

Luke 10:38-42 NT page 735

SERMON Choices, Choices!

HYMN # 634 To God Be the Glory

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(from A Declaration of Faith)

We believe Christ gives us and demands of us personal lives that are centered in God and open to God's reality and rule. Christ teaches us to put obedience to God above the interests of self, family, race or nation; to offer God joyously our money, ability, and time. It is part of our discipline to observe a day of worship and rest, setting aside our own working to enjoy God's work, celebrating with our family in Christ the Lord's goodness. We need constantly to search out

God's way in Scripture, not expecting detailed directions for every decision, but relying on the Word to tell us who God is, to press God's present claim on us, and to assure us of God's grace and comfort.

GLORIA PATRI Words #581; Tune: MEINEKE

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

SENDING Let There Be Peace on Earth

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 as our Father, brothers all are we Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, Let this be the moment now. With ev'ry 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

BENEDICTION



School Supplies

Palm River Elementary



Disinfectant Wipes - Disinfectant Spray Box of tissues - Colored masking tape Dry erase markers - Post-it Notes Reams Colored & White Copy Paper Paper Towels

Needed by Sunday, August 10



PRAYER Request & Praises

If your prayer request is taken off & you would like it to remain longer, please let the office know.

Roberta Lenfer's Family - comfort & peace OG/OS

Linda Moreland - comfort & strength

Diane Hora - healing & strength 02.02

Baby Darcey - healing, strength & hope - Linda Leavitt's os.15

Jill Jofko - strength - PCOB 05.15



