

## Welcome Guests

We welcome all who are worshipping with us today. If you are our guest, we pray that your experience will nurture your faith and that you feel welcome in this community of faith.

**Nursery:** Available from 9:45 – 11:15 am

**Children's Worship:** K-5th Grades

After the Children's Time during the service, volunteers will escort the children from worship to the hospitality tent for special stories and activities geared just for them. Parents may pick them up after worship.

## Flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and...

In memory of

Edward Shafer's birthday

by Martha Shafer



In celebration of

Henry's 10th birthday

by Melvin & Jessica Morgan

## Remember in Prayer

Nancy Gonzalez (Crystal Phillips' mother)

Margo Grout

Bob Hiller

Lea (Merrylin Opendo's daughter)

Hiram Lomanto

Carol Maurer (sister of Cathy Horan/Linda Burkert)

Emily McAllister (Gale Keeley's mother)

Family of Katie Meredith

Kathy (Larry & Glenyce Payne's daughter)

Ray & Pam Paul (Amy Zalusky's parents)

Bill Salisbury (Tammie Wright's father)

Seiler family

Roger & Lori Rice (Judy Schuler's brother & sister

in law)

Mel & Sue Williams

# Joy in Hard Times: Know God

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## Hodges Boulevard Presbyterian Church

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*Connecting people for whole-hearted discipleship in Jesus Christ.*

## Order of Worship

### We Gather

#### \*SONG OF PRAISE

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jonathan Swanson

#### OPENING PRAYER

#### \*OPENING PRAISE

*“Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”*

On Screen

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

Romans 8:34

George Ross

Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**We come, O God of all people everywhere, confessing that our attitudes and actions have separated us from you and from each other. When we hear other accents, we are sometimes amused and sometimes annoyed. When we see people of other shades and colors, we make judgments based on appearances. When we encounter varying expressions and emphases of faith, we are suspicious. Forgive us, God, and renew in us a spirit of compassion and understanding. Give us the gift of humility, and fill us with the vision of unity in Christ...*(moments of silence)***

#### ASSURANCE

Psalm 32:5

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

#### \*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

*“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.

#### \*PASSING THE PEACE

*(Please stand and wave to your neighbor)*

#### \*RESPONSE

*“Family of God”*

### Proclaiming God’s Word

#### CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Debbie Abbott

*(Children through 5th grade may exit)*

*\*All who are able may stand*

## MUSICAL MEDITATION

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Isaiah 55: 10-11

George Ross

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. Amen.

#### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Habakkuk 3:17-18

#### NEW TESTAMENT READING

Philippians 1:3-7, 18b

#### SERMON

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### Responding to the Word

#### RESPONSIVE PRAISE

*“Sometimes a Light Surprises”*

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#### HOLY COMMUNION

Matthew 11:28-29

Jesus said: Come to me, all you who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble of heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.**

### Departing to Live and Love as Christ’s Disciples

#### \*CLOSING PRAISE

#### \*CLOSING PRAYER

1 Timothy 6:21

To Jesus Christ, who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood and made us to be a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

#### \*PARTING MUSIC