



Bazetta Christian Church  
(Disciples of Christ)  
Rev. Timothy McCollum, Pastor

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**Celebrating the Lord's Day**  
January 14, 2024

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
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*The Church Gathers Before God*

**GREETINGS IN CHRIST**

**PRELUDE**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Megen Stocker, Liturgist

L: O God, you have searched me and known me.  
C: **You know when I sit down and when I rise up;  
you discern my thoughts from far away.**  
L: You search out my path and my lying down,  
and are acquainted with all my ways.  
C: **Even before a word is on my tongue,  
you know it completely.**  
L: You hem me in, behind and before,  
and lay your hand upon me.  
C: **Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
it is so high that I cannot attain it.**

Psalm 139:1-6 # 765

**\*OPENING HYMN**

“Open My Eyes that I May See”

#586

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;  
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.  
Silently now I wait for thee; ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;  
And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.  
Silently now I wait for thee; ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere;  
Open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.  
Silently now I wait for thee; ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

## CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

L: Let us join together in prayer.

**Holy and Awesome God, in the midst of a noisy world and spiritually noisy lives, help us hear Your voice. We know You still move in the world and still speak into hearts. May the words of grace fall upon us. Then may the lives we lead speak Your love into a world so desperate to hear Your voice again. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, amen.**

### \*THE PEACE

*The people exchange with one another, by words and careful gesture,  
signs of peace and reconciliation.*

### FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

1 Samuel 3:1-20

New Living Translation

Meanwhile, the boy Samuel served the Lord by assisting Eli. Now in those days messages from the Lord were very rare, and visions were quite uncommon.

One night Eli, who was almost blind by now, had gone to bed. The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was sleeping in the Tabernacle near the Ark of God. Suddenly the Lord called out, "Samuel!"

"Yes?" Samuel replied. "What is it?" He got up and ran to Eli. "Here I am. Did you call me?"

"I didn't call you," Eli replied. "Go back to bed." So he did.

Then the Lord called out again, "Samuel!"

Again Samuel got up and went to Eli. "Here I am. Did you call me?"

"I didn't call you, my son," Eli said. "Go back to bed."

Samuel did not yet know the Lord because he had never had a message from the Lord before. So the Lord called a third time, and once more Samuel got up and went to Eli.

"Here I am. Did you call me?"

Then Eli realized it was the Lord who was calling the boy. So he said to Samuel, "Go and lie down again, and if someone calls again, say, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went back to bed.

And the Lord came and called as before, "Samuel! Samuel!"

And Samuel replied, "Speak, your servant is listening."

Then the Lord said to Samuel, "I am about to do a shocking thing in Israel. I am going to carry out all my threats against Eli and his family, from beginning to end. I have warned him that judgment is coming upon his family forever, because his sons are blaspheming God and he hasn't disciplined them. So I have vowed that the sins of Eli and his sons will never be forgiven by sacrifices or offerings."

Samuel stayed in bed until morning, then got up and opened the doors of the Tabernacle as usual. He was afraid to tell Eli what the Lord had said to him. But Eli called out to him,

"Samuel, my son."

"Here I am," Samuel replied.

“What did the Lord say to you? Tell me everything. And may God strike you and even kill you if you hide anything from me!” So Samuel told Eli everything; he didn’t hold anything back. “It is the Lord’s will,” Eli replied. “Let him do what he thinks best.”

As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him, and everything Samuel said proved to be reliable. And all Israel, from Dan in the north to Beersheba in the south, knew that Samuel was confirmed as a prophet of the Lord.

### **\*DOXOLOGY**

*“ Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

#46

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.

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

### **GOSPEL READING**

John 1:43-51 Holman Christian Standard Bible

The next day He decided to leave for Galilee. Jesus found Philip and told him, “Follow Me!”

Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the hometown of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and told him, “We have found the One Moses wrote about in the Law (and so did the prophets): Jesus the son of Joseph, from Nazareth!”

“Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Nathanael asked him.

“Come and see,” Philip answered.

Then Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him and said about him, “Here is a true Israelite; no deceit is in him.”

“How do you know me?” Nathanael asked.

“Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you,” Jesus answered.

“Rabbi,” Nathanael replied, “You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!”

Jesus responded to him, “Do you believe only because I told you I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this.” Then He said, “I assure you: You will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **MESSAGE**

“Speak Lord”

## SONG OF PRESENTATION

*“I am Thine, O Lord”*

#601

I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice, and it told thy love to me;  
but I long to rise in the arms of faith, and be closer drawn to thee.

*Refrain:*

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to the cross where thou hast died;  
draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to thy precious, bleeding side.

Consecrate me now to thy service, Lord, by the pow’r of grace divine;  
let my soul look up with a steadfast hope, and my will be lost in thine.

*Refrain*

O the pure delight of a single hour that before thy throne I spend,  
when I kneel in prayer, and with thee, my God, I commune as friend with friend!

*Refrain*

There are depths of love that I cannot know till I cross the narrow sea;  
there are heights of joy that I may not reach till I rest in peace with thee.

*Refrain*

## **\*DISCIPLES OF CHRIST IDENTITY STATEMENT**

**We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ we welcome all to the Lord’s Table as God has welcomed us.**

## **COMMUNION PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Words of Institution

Communion Music

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

**Christ Has Died**

**Christ Is Risen**

**Christ Will Come Again**

## **\*CLOSING HYMN**

*“Be Thou my Vision”*

#595

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, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my redeemer, my love thou hast won, thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
thou and thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## **\*BENEDICTION**

## **POSTLUDE**

Anthony Ruggieri, Organist  
\*All who are able may stand.

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### **Open Communion and Offering Information**

We celebrate the Communion of the Lord's Supper every week. It is open to ALL Christians. Everyone who is able is invited to come to the front by rows. A piece of bread and cup of grape juice will be given to you to partake. Gluten-free wafers are also available. Return to your seat by the side aisles.

Kneelers are available on each side for those who wish to stop and pray. If you are not able to come forward for any reason, a plate and cup will be offered to you. If you prefer not to partake, just indicate that when offered the elements.

The offering that we share in worship is part of our shared commitment to doing ministry together. In our offering, we reflect that we are called to share in the blessings we have that others may be blessed. Offering bowls are provided in the center and right-hand aisles.

If you have questions regarding membership with our congregation, speak with Pastor Tim or any of the BCC Elders: (Dan Davis, Paula Davis, Jim Dolgae, Heather Faler, Myra May, Christy McCollum, Valarie Rizzo, Michelle Stineman, Megen Stocker, Larry Swiger).

### **In case of emergencies**

**Fire Alarm:** Calmly and quickly evacuate the building. Reassemble at the pavilion next to the garage. No longer at flagpole. Do not block the fire lanes. All doors in the sanctuary lead to outside exits.

**Tornado Warning:** Calmly and quickly exit through the rear doors and assemble in the hallway of the Educational Wing/Child Care area. Stay away from all doors and windows.

**Gunshots or Threats:** Duck down between the pews to shield yourself and allow the Security Team to handle the situation.

## **THIS WEEK AT BAZETTA CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Book Study
	6:30 p.m.	Administrative Board Mtg.
	7:00 p.m.	Scouts
Wednesday	3:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### **GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Get Vaccinated:** Trumbull County Combined Health District will be at BCC on January 17 from 4:00- 6:00 pm. The clinic is FREE for uninsured, underinsured and Medicaid eligible. NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED. Walk ins welcomed!

**Reminder:** Our newsletter delivery system is changing. Starting in February you can get the newsletter online or via email. If you are willing to do this, just make sure we have your correct email address in the office and we will include you in that email. You will still be able to pick up a printed newsletter if you regularly walk through our doors.

A regular mailing will be done for those who still want to receive a newsletter but are unable to view them electronically or unable to visit us in person. If this includes you and you still want to get a newsletter mailed to you, let us know by contacting the office at 330-637-6312.

**Book Study** Began on January 9th at 10 a.m., we are inviting anyone and everyone into a deeper dive in prayer. We are going to take a season and walk through the book *Prayer: Finding the Heart's True Home*, by Richard Foster. The book is \$12.00 if you want to get them through the church. If there is interest, we will also look at doing the study online in the evenings.

**2024 Offering Envelopes** are available on the table by the office door. Please sign your name on the paper by the number of the box of envelopes you chose. There are weekly and monthly envelopes. **2023 Giving Statements** are available on the table with the 2024 offering envelopes.

### **OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES**

**Loose Change Mission Jar:** For the months of January, February, and March, the funds collected in the jar will go to Bella Women's Center, an organization that provides confidential and medical services for women facing unplanned pregnancy. They offer pregnancy testing, ultrasound, STD testing with limited on-site treatments and options consultation, all free of charge.