



**And whatever you do,
in word or deed,
do everything in the
name of the Lord Jesus.**

Colossians 3:17

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

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Celebrating the Lord's Day
at
Bazetta Christian Church
November 12, 2023
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

The Church Gathers Before God

GREETINGS IN CHRIST

CENTERING MUSIC

"If I Got Jesus" – Ben Fuller

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Larry Swiger, Liturgist

- L: Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of God.
C: **Happy are those who keep God's decrees, who seek God with their whole heart,**
L: who also do no wrong, but walk in God's ways.
C: **You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.**
L: O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!
C: **Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.**
L: I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous ordinances.
C: **I will observe your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.**

Psalm 119:1-8, pg. 759, *Chalice Hymnal*

***OPENING HYMN**

"My Hope Is Built"

#537

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain

On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.
Refrain

His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay.
Refrain

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found!
Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne!
Refrain

***CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

L: Let us join together in prayer.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name 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.

ANTHEM

“*Oceans*” - Houston, Crocker, Lighthelm; arr. Spratt

Chancel Choir

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 3:1-17; The Voice

So it comes down to this: since you have been raised with the Anointed One, *the Liberating King*, set your mind on heaven above. The Anointed is there, seated at God’s right hand. Stay focused on what’s above, not on earthly things, because your *old* life is dead and gone. Your *new* life is now hidden, enmeshed with the Anointed who is in God. On that day when the Anointed One—who is our very life—is revealed, you will be revealed with Him in glory! So kill your earthly impulses: loose sex, impure actions, unbridled sensuality, wicked thoughts, and greed (which is *essentially* idolatry). It’s because of these that God’s wrath is coming [upon the sons and daughters of disobedience], *so avoid them at all costs*. These are the same things you once pursued, and together you spawned a life of evil. But now make sure you shed such things: anger, rage, spite, slander, and abusive language. And don’t go on lying to each other since you have sloughed away your old skin along with its evil practices for a fresh new you, which is continually renewed in knowledge according to the image of the One who created you. In this re-creation there is no distinction between Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian and conqueror, or slave and free because the Anointed is the whole and dwells in us all.

Since you are all set apart by God, made holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with *a holy way of life*: compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Put up with one another. Forgive. Pardon any offenses against one another, as the Lord has pardoned you, because you should act in kind. But above all these, put on love! Love is the perfect tie to bind these together. Let your hearts fall under the rule of the Anointed’s peace (the peace you were called to as one body), and be thankful.

Let the word of the Anointed One richly inhabit your lives. With all wisdom teach, *counsel*, and instruct one another. Sing the psalms, *compose* hymns and songs inspired by the Spirit, and keep on singing—*sing to God* from hearts *full and spilling over* with thankfulness. Surely, no matter what you are doing (speaking, *writing*, or working), do it all in the name of Jesus our Master, sending thanks through Him to God our Father.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*DOXOLOGY

"He Is Lord"

#117

He is Lord, he is Lord! He is risen from the dead and he is Lord!
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

OFFERTORY PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GOSPEL READING

Luke 4:38-44; New Revised Standard Version

After leaving the synagogue he entered Simon's house. Now Simon's mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked him about her. Then he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. Immediately she got up and began to serve them.

As the sun was setting, all those caring for any who were sick with various kinds of diseases brought them to him, and he laid his hands on each of them and cured them. Moreover, demons also came out of many, shouting, "You are the Son of God!" But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Messiah.

At daybreak he departed and went into a deserted place. And the crowds began looking for him, and when they reached him they tried to keep him from leaving them. But he said to them, "I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God to the other cities also, for I was sent for this purpose." So he continued proclaiming the message in the synagogues of Judea.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

"self-control"

SONG OF PRESENTATION

"This is a Day of New Beginnings"

#518

This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on,
time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that's gone.

For by the life and death of Jesus, God's mighty Spirit, now as then,
can make for us a world of difference, as faith and hope are born again.

Then let us, with the Spirit's daring, step from the past and leave behind
our disappointment, guilt, and grieving, seeking new paths, and sure to find.

In faith we gather round the table to taste and share what love can do.
This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new.

***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

"Be Thou My Vision" – Kaleb Brasee

Christ Has Died

Christ Is Risen

Christ Will Come Again

***CLOSING HYMN**

"Take Time to be Holy"

#572

Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord;

abide in him always, and feed on his word.

Make friends of God's children; help those who are weak;

forgetting in nothing God's blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;

spend much time in secret with Jesus alone.

By looking to Jesus, like him thou shalt be;

thy friends in thy conduct his likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, let him be thy guide,

and run not before him, whatever betide;

in joy or in sorrow, still follow thy Lord.

And, looking to Jesus, still trust in his word.

Take time to be holy, be calm in thy soul;

each thought and each motive beneath his control;

thus led by his spirit to fountains of love,

thou soon shalt be fitted for service above.

***BENEDICTION**

SONG FOR SENDING

"Less Like Me" – Zach Williams

Darlene Ball, Choir Director

*All who are able may stand.

THIS WEEK AT BAZETTA CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Tuesday:	6:30 p.m.	Administrative Board Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Scouts
Wednesday:	10:00 a.m.	Childcare Center – Grandparents’ Day Celebration
	3:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Thursday:	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir rehearsal
Next Sunday:	10:00 a.m.	Worship & 175 th Anniversary Celebration

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.

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.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to worship! Here let us seek to see God more clearly, love God more completely, and serve God more certainly. Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!

If you have questions concerning membership with this 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, Megan Stocker, Larry Swiger).

Red Poinsettias can be purchased to beautify our chancel area for Christmas Eve. The plants will be in a 6” pot. The cost is \$9.75. You can dedicate it in memory of or in honor of someone. Sign up by the absolute deadline of next Sunday, November 19.



**Bazetta Christian Church
175th Service and Celebration**

**Sunday, November 19, 2023
Worship at 10:00 a.m.
Followed by food and fellowship**

Hanging of the Greens, Sunday, November 26, following worship, lunch will be provided following the decorating; PLEASE sign up on the easel by the office door so that plans can be made for how much help we will have and how much food to prepare.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Loose Change Mission Jar: We are collecting loose change in the Gathering Space for missions. From October through December, the funds will go to Youngstown Blue Coats. Thank you!

Operation Christmas Child boxes are due to be returned by TODAY.

Angel Tree Ministry

It's almost the time of year to participate in "The Angel Tree".

We all at Bazetta Christian Church have faithfully heard God's call to care for the children in need within our community.

Please find below an updated to do list compiled thru the questions and suggestions extended by you. They are much appreciated.

- ♥ You can select your Angel.
- ♥ Sign your name and phone number next to the Angel # on the clipboard located next to the tree.
- ♥ The gifts listed are all suggestions.

Our goal is to help the families provide each child with an outfit and a toy. A good price range is \$50-\$75 per child. We encourage budding up with another to share in the cost while enjoying giving to the Angels.

- ♥ Want to help, but don't want to shop? No Problem. We have volunteers who love to shop. You may purchase gift cards thru the church (see or call Patti Peterson, 330-647-4591, or mark your offering envelope "Angel Tree Ministry").
- ♥ You may wrap your gifts, but it's not necessary.
- ♥ Return all gifts to the church on or before Sunday morning, December 10, 2023.

Your generosity of giving from what you have is so appreciated by the families who receive.

Thank you for sharing of God's Love and being the vessel from whom the Holy Spirit works in and thru within the Angel Tree Ministry.

Any questions or concerns, please see or call Patti Peterson, 330-647-4591, or Sue Cross, 330-717-6224.



Reflecting on our most recent sermon series contemplating how Jesus shows us the Fruits of the Spirit, consider these questions:

- 1) During the sermon series, where did you feel comforted?
- 2) During the sermon series, where were you challenged?
- 3) Where do you feel God is trying to grow new fruit in you?
- 4) How are you going to respond to God's work in your life?