



Brookline Community Church
Communion Service at Lake Potanipo

Reverend Catherine Merrill, Minister

July 3, 2016

WELCOME & RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP (*Extend a greeting to those nearby*)

* **INTROIT: #417 “My Country ‘Tis of Thee”** (attached)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: This is the day which God has made.

All: Let us rejoice and be glad as fireworks!

Leader: Any day is holy; all time is given by God and precious.

All: But a summer day is a time of beauty, and a holiday is a time to remember.

Leader: All around us are parades and picnics.

People: And we bring a trombone-full of prayer and our open baskets of Communion.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

All: Holy God, when we pollute the spacious skies and the shining sea, or do not share the amber waves of grain – forgive us. When we forget the principles of the past – freedom, tolerance, and welcome to all, or the sacrifices of the past – courage in battle and wisdom in law – forgive us. When we do not care for our country or care for our country more than for you, forgive us. Let your forgiveness become a powerful agent to change us and heal this land that we love.

Leader: Brothers and sisters, we are greatly blessed by God’s forgiveness and allow it to set us on the path of righteousness. Amen.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION:

Leader: God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

Leader: Let us give thanks to God most high.

All: It is right to give thanks & praise.

***HYMN: #416 “Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory”** (attached)

JOYS AND CONCERNS: Pastoral prayer

THE 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 10:1-11,16-20 (responsively)

Leader: After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go.

All: He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.'

Leader: Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road.

All: Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you.

Leader: Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house.

All: Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."

Leader: But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, "Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near."

All: 'Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.'

Leader: The seventy returned with joy, saying, 'Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!' He said to them,

All: I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.'

***HYMN: "This Little Light of Mine"** (attached)

SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Kings 5:1-14

SERMON: "Writing Love Letters"

MINISTRY OF SHARING: (offering of tithes and gifts)

***DOXOLOGY: # 809 "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."**

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * **CLOSING HYMN: #418 “America the Beautiful”** (attached)
- * **BENEDICTION**
- * **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: # 839 “God Be With You Till We Meet Again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.”** Here ends our worship, now let our service begin.
- * **Please stand if you are able**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- > **A Love Letter to My Family is available at the church’s website, www.bccnh.org.**
- > **Take-home meals available, on sale 3/\$20!** Chicken Cacciatore, Chicken Divan, Chili-mac
- > **SHARE** is collecting canned fruit, flour, sugar, boxed mixes & baking supplies, coffee & tea
- > **Summer Worship time: 9:00am**
- > **Worship service at Lake Potanipo:** 9:00am on the first two Sundays in July & August. BYOC (bring your own chair!)

<i>BCC Financial Summary</i>	Actual Income	Planned Income	Actual Expenses	Income vs Plan	Income vs Spending
Monthly	\$7,681.79	\$7,829.30	\$4,056.65	🚩 -\$147.51	✅ \$3,625.14
Year to Date	\$50,373.68	\$48,316.90	\$43,380.73	✅ \$2,056.78	✅ \$6,992.95

Last week’s attendance (6/26): 29 Adults, 1 Child

CALENDAR

Sunday, July 3	midnight	Bell Ringing
Saturday, July 9	noon - 6:00pm	Grand Opening Celebration! The Andres Art Center at Big Bear Lodge: Church will have a table
Sunday, July 10	9:00 am	Lake Service
	10:00 am	Coffee Hour
Saturday, July 16	11:00am-7:00pm	Brookline Fire/Rescue BBQ: Church will have a table
Sunday, July 17	9:00 am	Worship Service
	10:00 am	Coffee Hour
Sunday, July 24	9:00 am	Worship Service
	10:00 am	Coffee Hour
Sunday, July 31	9:00 am	Worship Service
	10:00 am	Coffee Hour



PRAYER LIST

If you know those on this list, call on them & tell them we are praying for them. If you know others who should be added to this list please give their names to the Minister or a deacon.

- Rev. Tom Atherton, Parkinson's disease
- Friends & family of Ellie Loskamp, Cheryl Loskamp Karpey, Shirley Runyan, Madeline Copeland, Peggie Bradshaw, Dolly & Bob Stewart, Patricia Baker, Elinor Brayton, George Farwell, Esta Brayton, Gene Murphy, Hilde Bretschneider and Michael Martinos
- Those living with addictions and the people who love them
- Those who are struggling with mental illness
- Amy's nephew Luca who's undergoing medical tests
- Claire's nephews Aaron & Patrick as they struggle with health issues
- Those who are weary, may they have rest
- Individuals serving in our military & their families
- Sandi Larkin, recovering from stents being put in
- Fae, Ethel's aunt, recovering from a fall
- Anne, Claire's friend, recovering from surgery and facing a cancer diagnosis
- family and friends of Kathy Paul Hardy, friend of Barbara, who fought so hard to see her son graduate and did, but lost her battle with cancer last Sunday
- Those affected by the attack on Istanbul's Attaturk Airport

Daily Household Prayer: Morning

Each morning when we wake up we are reminded of your presence. The light of the sun, the sounds of the birds, . . . your creation serves as witness of your love and your imagination. Let us take it all in and transform our awe into praises that those around us can hear each day and know that you are God. Amen.

Daily Household Prayer: Evening

We have heard your voice, O God. Through smiles, through words, through music, through tears, . . . we have heard your voice! Give us the comfort of your presence as we begin to live out the end of our day, and allow us to have rest and the same peace that your disciples declared when they entered somebody's home and said, "Peace to this house." Amen.

"This Little Light of Mine"

This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine
Oh, this little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine
This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Out in the dark, I'm going to let it shine
Oh, out in the dark, I'm going to let it shine
Out in the dark, I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Ev'ry where I go, I'm going to let it shine
Oh, ev'ry where I go, I'm going to let it shine
Ev'ry where I go, I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

