



Brookline Community Church
Worship Service at Lake Potanipo
Reverend Catherine Merrill, Minister

August 14, 2016

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

***INTROIT: #568 "Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated"** (attached)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

All: Let us also lay aside every weight,

Leader: And the sin that clings so closely,

All: And let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

Leader: Mindful of the gifts we receive and confident of the sustenance the Lord provides,

All: Let us worship God.

***HYMN: #11 "Glory Be to God the Father"** (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: Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Leader: By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.

All: Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection.

Leader: Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented — of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

All: Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Leader: Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

***HYMN: #721 “Shine, Jesus, Shine”** (attached)

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 12:49-56

SERMON: “Look at the Racer, not the Race”

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

> Take-home meals available, on sale 3/\$20! Chicken Cacciatore, Chicken Divan, Chili-mac

> SHARE is collecting canned ham, side dishes (seasoned pasta mix, hamburger helper, etc.), Ravioli & Beefaroni

BCC Financial Summary	Actual Income	Planned Income	Actual Expenses	Income vs Plan	Income vs Spending
Monthly	\$8,621.38	\$7,829.30	\$4,995.34	✓ \$792.08	✓ \$3,626.04
Year to Date	\$63,449.43	\$63,975.50	\$54,162.71	🚩 -\$526.07	✓ \$9,286.72

Last week's attendance (8/7): 24 Adults, 3 Children

CALENDAR

Sunday, Aug. 21	9:00 am	Worship Service
	10:00 am	Coffee Hour
Sunday, Aug. 28	9:00 am	Worship Service
	10:00 am	Coffee Hour
Sunday, Sept. 4	9:00 am	Worship Service
	10:00 am	Coffee Hour
Sunday, Sept. 11	9:00 am	Worship Service
	10:00 am	Coffee Hour
	10:30 am	Cabinet Meeting



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, George Farwell, Gene Murphy, Hilde Bretschneider and Michael Martinos
- Those living with addictions & 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
- Those figuring out who God is calling them to be
- Friends & Family of Cathy Weeks Laneader, Ray's mother, who passed away at the age of 87
- Donna B's mother June Hoff, just diagnosed with breast cancer

Daily Household Prayer: Morning

Lord of Life, we greet this new day sustained by the great cloud of witnesses who praise your name. Help us to lay aside any burden or distraction that might prevent us from fully serving you this day. Give us perseverance and joy so that we may come to the end of the day confident in your presence and aware of your blessings. Amen.

Daily Household Prayer: Evening

God of Hope, confirm for us at the close of this day the fulfillment of your promise of provision. Release our concerns for things done and left undone. Give us your peace so that we rise refreshed to serve you with openness and love. Amen.