

# **BEDFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**



*Ko'olau Mountains from Ahuimanu* by Mark T. Howard

**Sunday, June 27, 2021**

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
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**Prelude**

*Rhosymedre*

R. Vaughan Williams

**Announcements**

**Call to Worship from Lamentations 3:22**

Natasha Mast

Leader: The steadfast love of God never ceases.

**People: God's mercies never come to an end.**

Leader: They are new every morning.

**People: Let us worship God!**

**Hymn 394 There Is a Balm in Gilead**

Refrain:

There is a balm in Gilea  
To make the wounded whole.  
There is a balm in Gilead  
To heal the sin-sick soul.

**1** Sometimes I feel discouraged,  
And think my work's in vain,  
But then the Holy Spirit  
Revives my soul again. (Refrain)

**2** Don't ever feel discouraged,  
For Jesus is your friend,  
And if you lack for knowledge  
He'll not refuse to lend. (Refrain)

**3** If you cannot preach like Peter,  
If you cannot pray like Paul,  
You can tell the love of Jesus  
And say "He died for all." (Refrain)

## **Baptism of Hudson Sebastian Alba, son of Sebastian & Kelsi Alba**

Presentation  
Thanksgiving over the water  
Baptism  
Welcome

### **Hymn 492 Baptized in Water**

**3** Baptized in water,  
Sealed by the Spirit,  
Marked with the sign of Christ, our King;  
Born of the Spirit,  
We are God's children,  
Joyfully now God's praises we sing.

### **Hebrew Lesson**

*Samuel 1:1, 17-27*

After the death of Saul, when David had returned from defeating the Amalekites, David remained two days in Ziklag. David intoned this lamentation over Saul and his son Jonathan. (He ordered that The Song of the Bow be taught to the people of Judah; it is written in the Book of Jashar.) He said:

Your glory, O Israel, lies slain upon your high places!  
How the mighty have fallen!  
Tell it not in Gath,  
proclaim it not in the streets of Ashkelon;  
or the daughters of the Philistines will rejoice,  
the daughters of the uncircumcised will exult.  
You mountains of Gilboa,  
let there be no dew or rain upon you,  
nor bounteous fields!  
For there the shield of the mighty was defiled,  
the shield of Saul, anointed with oil no more.

From the blood of the slain,  
from the fat of the mighty,  
the bow of Jonathan did not turn back,  
nor the sword of Saul return empty.  
Saul and Jonathan, beloved and lovely!  
In life and in death they were not divided;  
they were swifter than eagles,  
they were stronger than lions.  
O daughters of Israel, weep over Saul,  
who clothed you with crimson, in luxury,  
who put ornaments of gold on your apparel.  
How the mighty have fallen  
in the midst of the battle!  
Jonathan lies slain upon your high places.  
I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan;  
greatly beloved were you to me;  
your love to me was wonderful,  
passing the love of women.  
How the mighty have fallen,  
and the weapons of war perished!

## **Gospel Lesson**

*Mark 5:21-43*

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched

his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease.

Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?"

And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it.

But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?"

But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha cum*," which means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

**Sermon**

*“Little Girl, Get Up!”* Carol Howard Merritt

**Hymn 285**

*God, You Spin the Whirling Planets*

**1** God You spin the whirling planets  
Fill the seas and spread the plain  
Mold the mountains fashion blossoms  
Call forth sunshine wind and rain  
We created in your image  
Would a true reflection be  
Of Your justice grace and mercy  
And the truth that makes us free

**2** You have called us to be faithful  
In our life and ministry  
We respond in grateful worship  
Joined in one community  
When we blur Your gracious image  
Focus us and make us whole  
Healed and strengthened as Your people  
We move onward toward Your goal

**3** God Your will is still creating  
Calling us to life made new  
Now reveal to us fresh vistas  
Where there's work to dare and do  
Keep us clear of all distortion  
Fashion us with loving care  
Thus new creatures in Your image  
We'll proclaim Christ everywhere

## Call to Offering

## Prayer 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.

(Many people say the Lord's Prayer with "trespasses" or "sins" instead of "debts." Please feel free to pray in any form that makes you feel the most comfortable.)

## Charge and Blessing

Postlude

*Caprice*

L. N. Clerambault

## Announcements

To sign up for our weekly E-NEWS that has live links to all of our announcements, please go to the BPC website at **[bedfordpreschurh.org](http://bedfordpreschurh.org)** and select either '**Contact**' at the top *or* **E-NEWS** just below it.

## Memorial Courtyard

The new benches for the Memorial Courtyard have arrived. Stop by after worship services to see them in all their beauty.



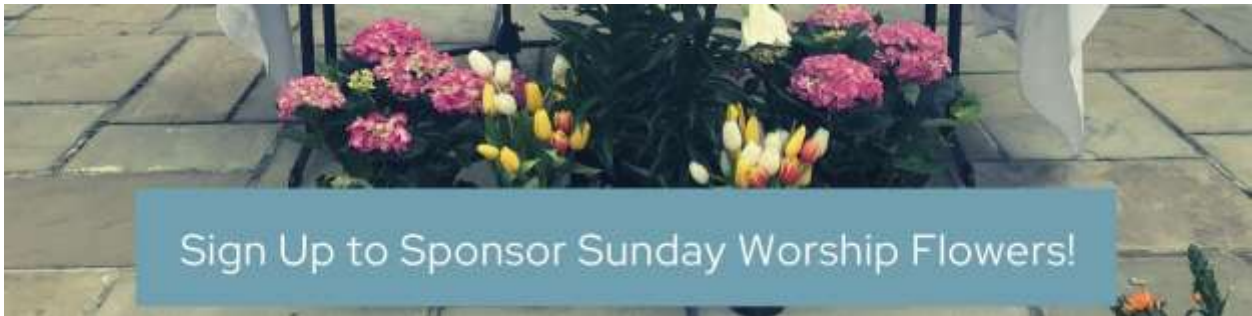




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*In loving memory of Brian's  
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Donating flowers couldn't be easier! Simply contribute \$50.00 to the church flower fund and create your own dedication line to run in the Sunday bulletin. Then, after worship, you or the person you're celebrating can take the flowers home!

If you are interested, please use the SignUpGenius link below to Sign up, Submit your dedication and use the dedicated link to make your secure online donation.

Please sign up no later than one week prior to the Sunday you want to sponsor flowers to ensure that your dedication gets placed in the bulletin.



On the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month, join Reverend Carol for a socially distanced lunch under the tent. Just bring your lunch and a chair. Start time is 12:30 pm and there is no sign up needed. Tell your friends! **The next lunch is July 13th.**



Our next Communion will be Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>

## **Upcoming Events at a Glance**

- **Friday, June 25th** - View Sunday's Order of Worship. It will be available on our website by 3 pm.
- **Sunday, June 27th** - Worship with us either in person or virtually by accessing the Sunday worship link on our website.
- **Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup>** – Congregational Meeting after worship
- **Monday & Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>** – Office Closed
- **Tuesday, July 13th** - Lunch with Friends
- **Monday, July 19th** - Book Club

## **Bedford Presbyterian Church Staff**

The Reverend Carol Howard Merritt, Pastor  
John Lettieri, Director of Music  
Elyssa Michaels, Director of High School & Middle School  
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Sunday Worship Service in person and virtual at 10:00 am

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We will be hearing the Report from the Nominating Committee, and voting on our new Elder and Deacons.

**The meeting will be in person, in the sanctuary.**

#### **AGENDA**

- I. Declare a Quorum and Opening Prayer
- II. Elect secretary *pro tem*
- III. Nominating Committee Report
  - a. Nominations from the Floor
  - b. Vote on candidates
- IV. Question and Answer
- V. Motion to Adjourn
- VI. Closing Prayer