

“UNITED BLESSINGS”

Once we were scattered, far from the door,
Strangers to promise, divided by shore;
But mercy came running, with arms open wide,
And drew us together to stand side by side.
Christ is our peace, and His cross is the key,
Breaking down walls that said “you” and “not me”;
Hatred is silenced, old borders depart,
One nation made whole with one Spirit, one heart.
No longer outsiders, no longer unknown,
We are God’s household, His people, His own;
Built on the prophets, apostles, and grace,
With Jesus the Cornerstone holding our place.
So let our country remember the call:
Justice and kindness are gifts meant for all;
Under one banner, beneath heaven’s dome,
We seek not division, but welcome and home.
Lord, make us living stones, steady and true,
Joined by Your Spirit in all that we do;
United with neighbors, united with You,
A dwelling of peace where Your glory shines through.



Welcome to the North Benton Presbyterian Church

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*“Since 1818, A church where everyone is someone
and Jesus Christ is Lord!”*

This Week

Caring, Sharing, Praying

Sun
7/5 **BirthDay Sunday**
9:30 Worship Service
(Youth Sunday School
after children’s message)
10:45 Searcher’s Class

7/12 9:30 Worship Service
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10:45 Searcher’s Class

Nursing Home:
Dan Rowe
Essex #1, Salem, OH 44460
(Rm.#201)

Continued Prayer for:
Denton Herron,
James Hilles,
Stan & Sandy Jozwiakowski,
Emily Winters,
Maeo Bates,
Carol Schiffler,
Chris & Alicia Gamble
Irene Shields

*Contact the office to add or
remove a name*

CALL TO CONFESSION

Pastor: Friends, Scripture reminds us that we were once far off, separated from God and from one another. But in Christ Jesus, we have been brought near. Christ is our peace; He breaks down the walls of hostility and reconciles us to God through the cross. Trusting in this mercy, let us confess our sin.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Hear the good news: “In Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.” Christ is our peace, and through Him we are **reconciled to God and to one another.**

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, restored, and made members of God’s household. Thanks be to God.

+GLORIA PATRI

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS, TITHES, & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY SCRIPTURE

“Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.” -First Corinthians 4: 2

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAISES

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE and LORD’S PRAYER

+Hymn #692 “Battle Hymn of the Republic”

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| Deacon Greeters ----- | Cindy Ruffier |
| ----- | Jodi Weibush |
| Keyboard ----- | Marilyn Smith |
| Praise Songs ----- | Sylvia Hammond |
| Sound System ----- | Josiah Gaines |
| Acolyte----- | Jude Fielder |

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

All: Holy God, open our hearts to Your Word. Through Christ our peace, bring near all who feel far off, break down every wall of hostility, and build us together as a dwelling place for Your Spirit.

SCRIPTURE

“Ephesians 2: 11-22; Micah 6: 8 and Revelation 7: 9-12”

SERMON

“UNITED”

+HYMN #695 (verses 1-3)

“My Country ‘Tis of Thee”

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #695 (verse 4)

“My Country ‘Tis of Thee”

POSTLUDE

NEXT WEEK’S SERMON:

“The Grand Invitation” based on Isaiah 55: 1-14

+ Indicates congregation is invited to stand

Praise Songs

“Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty”

Father in heaven, how we love You,
we lift Your name in all the earth.

May Your kingdom be established in our praises,
as Your people declare Your mighty works.

Blessed be the Lord God almighty,
who was, and is, and is to come;

Blessed be the Lord God almighty,
who reigns forevermore,

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who was, and is, and is to come;

Blessed be the Lord God almighty,
who reigns forevermore,
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“Thou Art Worthy”

Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy,

Thou art worthy, O Lord,

To receive glory, glory and honor,

Glory and honor and pow’r.

For Thou hast created, hast all things created;

Thou hast created all things.

And for Thy pleasure they are created;

For Thou art worthy, O Lord.