

## Take Your Shoes Off Moses

Well, God spoke to Moses at the burning bush  
Burning bush, Lord the burning bush  
God spoke to Moses at the burning bush  
Saying I am the Lord, thy God

Take your shoes off Moses you're on holy ground  
Holy ground, you're on holy ground  
Take your shoes off Moses you're on holy ground  
For I am the Lord, thy God

Go yonder Moses and smite that rock  
Smite that rock, Lord smite that rock  
Go yonder Moses and smite that rock  
For I am the Lord, thy God

Stand still Moses see salvation work  
Salvation work, see salvation work  
Stand still Moses and see salvation work  
For I am the Lord, thy God

## Boulevard United Methodist Church on Broad



While this man was prepared to hop in the boat even as Jesus was pulling away, he was sent back...We cannot generalize about what Jesus asks of his followers. Vocation is unique to the one called. Often it seems that we are called to do that which we do not want to do. How unbelievably difficult it would have been for the demoniac to return to his hometown where he was so well known.

- Sarah Henrich

## June 23, 2019

Second Sunday after Pentecost  
4:00 pm at 1837 W Broad

Greeting Rev. Drew Willson

Call to Worship

It is good.

**It is good.**

To be in a house of the Lord.

**To be in a house of the Lord.**

One more time.

**One more time.**

Song *Take Your Shoes Off Moses*

Time with Children

Prayer

Interlude

Scripture Colossians 3:1-14

Music *Orange Sky*

Scripture Luke 8:26-39

Sermon Rev. Rachel G. May

Hymn *Grace Greater Than Our Sin* 365

Words of Farewell

Offering

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God, all creatures here below:*

*Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Praise God, the source of all our gifts!*

*Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!*

*Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!*

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

The Lord's Supper

Hymn *Cast Out, O Christ vv.1-4*

Dismissal with Blessing

Music

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Holy God...*

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory,**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*In the fullness of time, you sent Jesus...*

And so,

in remembrance of these, your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,

we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving

as a holy and living sacrifice,

in union with Christ's offering for us,

as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*Pour out your Spirit on us, and pour out your Spirit on these gifts...*

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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER

I thank you, the members and friends of Boulevard,  
for the love and support you have shown me  
while I have ministered among you.

I am grateful for the ways my leadership has been accepted.  
I ask forgiveness for the mistakes I have made.  
As I leave, I carry with me all that I have learned here.

**We receive your thankfulness, offer forgiveness,  
and accept that you now leave to minister elsewhere.  
We express our gratitude for your time among us.  
We ask your forgiveness for our mistakes.  
Your influence on our faith and faithfulness  
will not leave with your departure.**

I accept your gratitude and forgiveness, and I forgive you,  
trusting that our time together and our parting  
are pleasing to God.  
I release you from turning to me and depending on me.  
I encourage your continuing ministry here  
and will pray for you and for your new pastor.

#### Luke 8:26-39 (NRSV)

<sup>26</sup>Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me”— <sup>29</sup>for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. <sup>32</sup>Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. <sup>34</sup>When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Colossians 3:1-14 The Message (MSG)

<sup>1-2</sup> So if you're serious about living this new resurrection life with Christ, *act* like it. Pursue the things over which Christ presides. Don't shuffle along, eyes to the ground, absorbed with the things right in front of you. Look up, and be alert to what is going on around Christ—that's where the action is. See things from *his* perspective.

<sup>3-4</sup> Your old life is dead. Your new life, which is your *real* life—even though invisible to spectators—is with Christ in God. *He* is your life. When Christ (your real life, remember) shows up again on this earth, you'll show up, too—the real you, the glorious you. Meanwhile, be content with obscurity, like Christ.

<sup>5-8</sup> And that means killing off everything connected with that way of death: promiscuity, impurity, lust, doing whatever you feel like whenever you feel like it, and grabbing whatever attracts your fancy. That's a life shaped by things and feelings instead of by God. It's because of this kind of thing that God is about to explode in anger. It wasn't long ago that you were doing all that stuff and not knowing any better. But you know better now, so make sure it's all gone for good: bad temper, irritability, meanness, profanity.

<sup>9-11</sup> Don't lie to one another. You're done with that old life. It's like a filthy set of ill-fitting clothes you've stripped off and put in the fire. Now you're dressed in a new wardrobe. Every item of your new way of life is custom-made by the Creator. All the old fashions are now obsolete. Words like Jewish and non-Jewish, religious and irreligious, insider and outsider, uncivilized and uncouth, slave and free, mean nothing. From now on everyone is defined by Christ, everyone is included in Christ.

<sup>12-14</sup> So, chosen by God for this new life of love, dress in the wardrobe God picked out for you: compassion, kindness, humility, quiet strength, discipline. Be even-tempered, content with second place, quick to forgive an offense. Forgive as quickly and completely as the Master forgave you. And regardless of what else you put on, wear love. It's your basic, all-purpose garment. Never be without it.

## NURTURE

*caring for one another and for our growth as disciples*

{Inward}

WE ARE PRAYING for Boulevard UMC, Grayson Foy, those grieving the loss of Chris Gregory, the Anderson family, the United Methodist Church, Nancy Tate, and Bishop Sharma Lewis. Wish to add or restore a name? Say so via the offering plate or the church's e-mail address.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH for infants - 5 years of age begins after the children's moment. They rejoin us for Communion. Our childcare provider is employed by Grace Covenant Child Development Center.

DREW WILLSON in concert at the Tin Pan this Wednesday, June 26: Tickets are available online or at the door. If you are thinking that what he will do is what he does on any given Sunday, this is not the case. Consider experiencing the more there is to Boulevard's new pastor. Treat yourself!