

Armstrong Chapel Worship Resource—July 20, 2025



PRELUDE

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock

- Leader: Children of God, are you listening? Have you noticed? God has planted seeds of hope among us.
- People: **We have heard of this hope!**
- Leader: Are you listening? Have you noticed? God nurtures hope among us, helping us bear the fruit of faithfulness in this world.
- People: **We seek this hope as we learn to live in faith.**
- Leader: Are you listening? Have you noticed? The hope of God's good news forms you to love one another with the love of Christ.
- People: **We cling to this hope as we grow in love of God, self, neighbor, and all creation.**
- Leader: Children of God, come! Let us worship God who graciously offers us the gift of hope.
- People: **Come, let us worship God who empowers us to put our hope into faithful and loving actions!**

*HYMN

Now Thank We All Our God
#102 UMH

Now thank we all our God,
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms
has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us still in grace,
and guide us when perplexed;
and free us from all ills,
in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given;
the Son, and him who reigns
with them in highest heaven;
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Text: Martin Rinkart (1636) Translator: Catherine Winkworth (1858)
Music: Composer: Johann Crüger (1647)
Harmonizer: Felix Mendelssohn (1840)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed #881*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and
the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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SCRIPTURE

Psalm 82:1a, 3-4 (NIV)

- ¹ God presides in the great assembly; ...
³ Defend the weak and the fatherless;
uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed.
⁴ Rescue the weak and the needy;
deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

The Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

SINGING OUR FAVORITE HYMNS—8:20AM

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN—9:40AM

HYMN

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus
#349 UMH

Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus
Look full at his wonderful face.
And the Things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace.
Words & Music Helen H. Lemmel (1922)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Written by Ruth Card Duck

God, we give ourselves to you and rely upon you:
Creator of all things, ruler of this world and all that is
to come. (*pause in silence*)

Jesus, we love you and entrust ourselves to you:
Christ, the Beloved. You are the image of the invisible
God. In you all things in heaven and on earth were
created, things visible and invisible, all powers and
dominions. You are before all things, and in you all
things hold together. You are the head of the body,
the church. In you all the fullness of God was pleased
to dwell, and through you God was pleased to
reconcile everything to God. (*pause in silence*)

Holy Spirit, we live by your power. Through you Christ
is alive in us, and we enter into the life of love and
beauty. In you we give ourselves to lives of justice,
forgiveness and hospitality, for the sake of the healing
of the world.

Hear us as we pray saying:

**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.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Offer the peace of Christ by saying:

The peace of Christ be with you.

Respond: And also with you!

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GIVING

*RESPONSE

#95, UMH

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.

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 1:3-6 (NRSVUE)

³ In our prayers for you we always thank God, the
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴ for we have heard of
your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have
for all the saints, ⁵ because of the hope laid up for you
in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the
word of the truth, the gospel ⁶ that has come to you.
Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole
world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves
from the day you heard it and truly comprehended
the grace of God.

The Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks Be to God.

MESSAGE

The Hope of Grace
Rev. David W. Brown

*HYMN

Amazing Grace
#378 UMH, Vs 1,3,4,6

1. Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

4. The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be,
as long as life endures.

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6. When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

Text: John Newton (1779)
Music Harmonizer: Edwin O. Excell (1900)

BENEDICTION

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock

Children of God, remember: you are not alone!
Go now in the blessing of the Triune God, the Source
and Sustainer of our hope, to share the love of God
wherever you go. Amen.

*POSTLUDE

**Stand in body or in spirit*

Liturgist at 8:20 – Lisa Dayton

Liturgist at 9:40 – Shelley Bamberger

Greeters at 9:40 – Sally Scheer, Shannon and Galen Mills

*Special Music at 9:40 – Megan Schneider, Grace Wynn, and
Grace Callahan*



*Gather for coffee and treats in the Atrium
following the 9:40am service!*

REGISTER YOUR
ATTENDANCE



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GIVING



Learn what to watch for

- Phishing
- Cyberbullying
- Malware
- Identity theft



Learn How to Stay Safe

Join Us
TODAY

Be Smart. Be Safe.

brought to you by
**Armstrong Stephen Ministry
& Indian Hill Rangers**

**11:15 am
IN THE ATRIUM**

When we need help, we can trust Jesus!

We had an amazing week of VBS with 158 children registered! We would not be able to have VBS without all of these amazing folks. We give a **HUMONGOUS** thank you to each and every volunteer! We appreciate all you did for the children at VBS this week.



- **Directors:** Jennifer Hock, Amy Voss
- **Drama/Bibleland:** Shelley Bamberger, Martha Rassi, Emeline Goode, Jenna Robinson, Elizabeth Brown, David Brown, Candace Rhoill, Bill Mitchell
- **Music:** Makenna Peterson, Kyle Peterson, Jane Florer
- **Crafts:** Sue Porter, Sandy Ader, Becky Menyhert, Kinsley Matthews
- **Games:** Galen Mills, Joe Heller, Grayson Rippe, Jack Setzekorn
- **Snacks:** Pam Westrup, Dottie Wakefield, Maria Milano, Jennifer Seppala, Kathy Scovanner, Elizabeth Harrison, Jack Bunting
- **Group Leaders/Assistants:** Bill Camm, Victor Rodriguez, Maggie Cordell, Niki Mitchell, Heidi Christie, Trey Johnson, Aiden Ayers, Ellen Camm, Charlotte Wiley, Chase Peterson, Colleen Tepe, Audrey Miller, Susan Moehring, Adelyn Spisak, Eli Camp, Theresa Spisak, Pat Smith, Will Cordell, Adam Peterson, Dena King, Adie Florer, Caroline Spisak, Barbara Bell, Rhys Johnson, Cece Westrup, Addy Rippe, Alice Lytle, Anne Adams, Kelly Hock, Elizabeth Brown, Jeanne Phillips, Sara Grendel, Ivy Johnson, Ann Caesar, Kris Pearson, Wynnie Hall
- **Decorating:** Karen Hollyday, Kaleigh Hollyday, Addy Rippe, Amy Rippe, Olivia Gibson, Audrey Gibson, Barbara Bell, Victor Rodriguez, Kent and Maureen Smith, Joe Rhodenbaugh, Audrey Miller, Kathy Scovanner, Niki Mitchell, Mark and Ann Caesar, Becky Menyhert, Dena King, Bob Webster, Theresa, Caroline and Adelyn Spisak, Bill Camm, Dottie Wakefield, Jennifer and Keith Hock, Lisa Dayton, Sue Maggard, Susan Moehring, Holli Hanson, John Westrup, John Scholtz, Doug Earhart, Julia and Sara Grendel, Colleen Tepe, Annie, Cora and CC Ethier, Erika McShay, Thomas Jamison, Pat Smith, Shawn Gibson, Bob Pearson, Jake Pearson
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for IPM Food Pantry Due Sunday, July 27

Our mission partner, Inter Parish Ministry, is collecting essential supplies to fill 500 backpacks for local students from pre-K through high school. Your continued support makes a real difference in the lives of the children and families served by IPM. This year, we are specifically to provide:

- **Folders**
- **Composition Notebooks**
- **Highlighters**

[any school supplies are welcome]



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Summer Sunday School is **IN FULL SWING**
and our amazing volunteers are in **ACTION!**

- Preschool (ages 2-5 years old)
- Elementary (K-3rd Graders)
- FaithClimbers (4th-6th Graders)

However - we would love to have your help!
Summer is a great time to explore new places AND new opportunities. If you have ever wondered what it might be like to help with Sunday School or are willing to volunteer this summer to assist our regular volunteer leaders, please take a look at our online signup at <https://bit.ly/44MQuXh> and plug in where you are able. *All you have to do is show up and our amazing leaders will show you the ropes!*



TUTORING OPPORTUNITIES

WE HAVE A NEW VOLUNTEER TUTORING RELATIONSHIP AVAILABLE WITH **MILFORD FIRST UMC.**

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2025-2026
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READING COACHES NEEDED


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or Wednesdays 3:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Make a difference in a child's life

TRAINING COMING THIS JULY AND AUGUST



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