

#### **PRELUDE**

# **WELCOME**

# \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Psalm 66

Leader: Come and see what God has done:

People: God is awesome in deeds among mortals.

Leader: The Lord turned the sea into dry land;

they passed through the river and were not overwhelmed.

People: Rejoice in God,

sing praise to the name of the Lord.

Leader: Therefore, we rejoiced in God,

who rules by might forever,

whose eyes keep watch on the nations—let the rebellious not exalt themselves.

People: The name of the Lord is worthy of praise!

\*HYMN

I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath #60 UMH

I'll praise my Maker while I've breath; and when my voice is lost in death, praise shall employ my nobler powers. My days of praise shall ne'er be past, while life, and thought, and being last, or immortality endures.

Happy are they whose hopes rely on Israel's God, who made the sky and earth and seas, with all their train; whose truth for ever stands secure, who saves th'oppressed and feeds the poor, for none shall find God's promise vain.

The Lord pours eyesight on the blind; the Lord supports the fainting mind and sends the laboring conscience peace.

God helps the stranger in distress, the widow and the fatherless, and grants the prisoner sweet release.

I'll praise my God who lends me breath; and when my voice is lost in death, praise shall employ my nobler powers. My days of praise shall ne'er be past, while life, and thought, and being last, or immortality endures.

Text: Isaac Watts (1719), alt. by John Wesley (1737) Music: Matthaus Greiter (1525) Harm, © 1964 Abingdon Press

\*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.

#### **SCRIPTURE**

Psalm 66:1-4 (NRSVUE)

- <sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;
- sing the glory of God's name; give to God glorious praise.
- <sup>3</sup> Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.
- <sup>4</sup> All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name.

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** 

Since Jesus Came Into My Heart #2140 FWS, refrain only

Since Jesus came into my heart, since Jesus came into my heart, floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll, since Jesus came into my heart.

Words: R.H. McDaniel & Music Charles H. Gabriel

# **CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

Adapted from The Fig Tree Worship Resource

Our life is rich with your gifts, O God. Gifts that gladden our hearts and with you give us opportunities beyond our understanding. At this time, we call to mind the gifts of the whole of creation for the whole of your people. For those who are lost and alone – we pray the gift of companionship.

(Silence)

For those who are frightened and in pain – we pray the gift of peace that passes understanding. (Silence)

For those who are hungry and homeless – we pray the gift of sustenance and shelter. (Silence)

For those who are angry and in despair – we pray the gift of gentle resolution. (Silence)

For those who are hopeless – we pray the gift of a glimmer of fulfillment. (Silence)

For those who long for justice and reconciliation – we pray the gift of courage and action.

(Silence)

In your presence together Lord, we bring the deepest prayers of our hearts. May we be part of your vision for a world drawn back into your loving embrace.

We pray together as Jesus taught us:

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!

# **HYMN**

Since Jesus Came Into My Heart #2140 FWS, refrain only

Since Jesus came into my heart, since Jesus came into my heart, floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll, since Jesus came into my heart.

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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**

2 Timothy 2:8-15 (ESV)

<sup>8</sup> Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup> for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup> Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

<sup>11</sup> The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him; <sup>12</sup> if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; <sup>13</sup> if we are faithless, he remains faithful—he cannot deny himself.

<sup>14</sup> Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. <sup>15</sup> Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

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

**MESSAGE** 

Wrangling Over Words Rev. David W. Brown

\*HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee #89 UMH

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day!

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began; love divine is reigning o'er us, binding all within its span.

Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife; joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.

Text: Henry Van Dyke (1907, st. 4 alt. 1989) Music: Ludwig von Beethoven (1824) Arranger: Edward Hodges (1964)

# **BENEDICTION**

The Fig Tree Worship Resource

Go out in the world today – rested and refreshed – that you might not let your feet slip or your voice falter, but show in word and deed what the Lord has done for you. In the name of the Creator, the Redeemer and Sustainer – Amen.

#### \*POSTLUDE

\*Stand in body or in spirit

Liturgist at 8:20 – Mark Paluta Liturgist at 9:40 – Beth Eberle Greeters at 9:40 – Charlene Pfingstag and Sondra and Jim Hunt



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

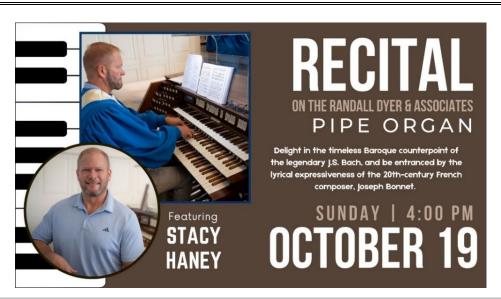




# **OPEN MEET & GREETS WITH BRANDON**

- Thursday, October 30 @ 7:00pm at the home of Jim & Carol Pearce in Madeira/Indian Hill RSVP to Carol at quizp@aol.com, 513-271-9223 (call)
- Thursday, November 6 @ 7:00pm at the home of Chip & Robin Nielsen in Indian Hill RSVP to Robin at ihbookmom@aol.com, 513-403-3669 (call or text)
- Sunday, November 9 @ 11:00am in the Armstrong Room
- Sunday, November 9 @ 3:00pm in the Atrium along with a Hands-On Outreach Project of packing hygiene kits
- Sunday, December 7 @ 11:30am in the Armstrong Room hosted by David Rhodenbaugh
- Thursday, December 11 @7:00pm at the home of Scott & Amy Darrah in Montgomery RSVP to Amy at atdsmd3@aol.com, 513-470-7515 (call or text)

There are still open dates for you to host a Meet & Greet with Brandon in your home – visit <a href="http://bit.ly/3VX7pCE">http://bit.ly/3VX7pCE</a> or connect with Joy in the office. You may choose to invite your church friends, small group members, other families who live in your area, or have your home open to anyone who would like to come.





# **ARMSTRONG CHAPEL VETERANS**

It's been many years since we created/updated a list of Veterans who worship at Armstrong Chapel. With Veterans Day fast approaching, we'd love to honor those who have served our country. If you haven't already filled out the online form, write a note on the back of your attendance card to let us know if you're a Veteran. Please include your branch and note anything else you'd like such as: Vietnam, WWII, Korea, etc.; years served; honors received; etc.

# THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY WITH ARMSTRONG CONNECTIONS

We have a prayer list of those serving in the military with Armstrong connections. If you have a child, grandchild, nephew, etc. that you would like to have placed on the prayer please write a note on the back of your attendance card.

# PACKING SHOEBOXES HELPS CHILDREN IN THE REMOTE CORNERS OF THE WORLD HEAR THE GOOD NEWS OF THE GOSPEL.

Each shoebox helps a local church around the world tell a child about Jesus, God's Greatest Gift. In sending the Gospel to the ends of the earth,

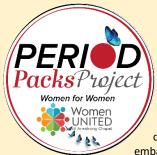


we are also sharing God's Word with dozens of unreached people groups and going to hard-to reach places to make His Name known.

Pre-printed boxes and brochures are available in the Atrium. Visit

SamaritansPurse.org for more information.

BOXES ARE DUE 11/16.



# 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Period Packs Project

Women and girls of limited means often lack the funds for sanitary products. Still, they want to experience a period that is comfortable and free of embarrassment. When they lack the

needed products, they frequently miss school or work. Last year, Armstrong Chapel served 200 women and girls.

To donate products (see the online sign-up for the complete list and volunteer opportunities on Fri 10/31 and Sat 11/1), please go to <a href="https://bit.ly/4pJqh5V">https://bit.ly/4pJqh5V</a> and let us know what items you'll bring in. We are requesting these specific products (and more listed online) to better accommodate the needs of our mission partners:

- Regular Size Sanitary Pads 22 or 28 count
- Regular Size Tampons 16 or 18 count
- Flushable Wipes
- Hand Sanitizer 2oz

If you can't find these items – or don't have time to shop for them – then we welcome your cash donation. Each PACK costs ~\$30. armstrongchapel.org/giving

Drop off products at the church office **through October 19 between 9am to 2pm on M/T/Th**, or in the **designated bins in the Atrium** on Sundays. (FYI: Incontinence products are NOT included in this effort.)

We will gift ALL Packs to our mission partners: John P. Parker School, Heritage Hill Elementary School, and Madisonville Education Assistance Center (MEAC).

To assist with collections or to ask a question, contact Shelley Bamberger <a href="mailto:shelleypresents@gmail.com">shelleypresents@gmail.com</a> or Jan Rogers <a href="mailto:jan@timetimer.com">jan@timetimer.com</a>.



Volunteers & Food Needed: http://bit.ly/4nL8cCD

