

THE LORD'S DAY, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

"I love you, O LORD, my strength.." – Psalm 18:1

Welcome and Announcements *Reverend Dr. Jeff Jones*

Introit John Elmer

Call to Worship *Reverend Dr. Jeff Jones*

Leader: Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

**People: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.**

*Hymn (377) Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Prayer of Adoration and Confession

O Lord our God, your love is perfect and eternal. It is all powerful. It is greater than death. We love and praise you. We confess that our love is wounded by sin. It is selfish. It is weak, and we are afraid of death. Forgive us, O Lord. Forgive us and grant us your Spirit to cast out our fear. Enable us to love like Christ, for we pray in His name. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon (544) The Bond of Love (vs. 1)

**We are one in the bond of love,
We are one in the bond of love;
We have joined our spirit with the Spirit of God,
We are one in the bond of love.**

Scripture 1 John 4:7-21

Sermon God Is Love *Reverend Dr. Jeff Jones*

Special Music Praise Him! Praise Him! John Elmer

Recognition of 1st Responders

Responsive Reading

Leader: I asked God for Strength, that I might achieve;

People: I was made weak, that I might learn humbly to obey.

Leader: I asked for health, that I might do greater things;

People: I was given infirmity, that I might do better things.

Leader: I asked for riches, that I might be happy;

People: I was given poverty, that I might be wise.

Leader: I asked for power, that I might have the praise of men;

People: I was given weakness, that I might feel the need of God.

Leader: I asked for all things, that I might enjoy life;

People: I was given life, that I might enjoy all things.

Leader: I got nothing that I asked for-
but everything I had hoped for.

People: Almost despite myself, my unspoken prayers were answered. I am, among all men, most richly blessed.

The Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn (226) Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

*Benediction *Reverend Dr. Jeff Jones*

*Benediction Response (677) They'll Know We Are Christians by
Our Love (vs.4)

**All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

*Postlude

*Please stand

The Week of September 12, 2021

Sunday	10:30 am	Mission Offering!
	6:00 pm	Bible Study
Monday	10:00 am	Quilting Circle
Wednesday	6:00 am	Men's Prayer Time
	3:30 pm	Mission Trip to Idora
Saturday	9:00 am	Book club

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Next Lord's Day, September 12, 2021

9:30 am – Session Prayer Time; **10:00 am** – Sunday School

11:00 am – Worship: **Prelude:** Jackie & Carolyn

Worship Assistant: Open

Elevator Assistant: Colt Sloan; **Greeters:** Dane & Carol Sloan

Prayer for renewed health, strength, and healing:

Undergoing tests, treatments, or recovery for cancer: Jay Sloan, Sally Havrilla, Rev. Bill Woodman;

Missionaries: Gary & Cindy Koerth in Youngstown.

Servicemen and Women, First Responders.

Pray for those semi homebound / in assisted living / nursing

homes: Kathy Barnes, Jan Burnett; Vonda Lumley (Don); Pauline Pearson; Merle Reeseman; Deb Thompson.

We would like to welcome and say “**Thank You**” to our **1st Responders**. Your love and service are **seen and appreciated**. We are a stronger community because of you.

The Mission Committee is planning a **visit to the Idora neighborhood** in Youngstown on **Wednesday September 15**. We will participate in the meal in the park ministry of Gary & Cindy Koerth and be updated on the progress of their mission work. We will depart from Harmony at 3:30 pm to be at Glennwood Park at 5:00. At 7:00 pm we will have a tour of the new community center which will soon be open for worship and outreach. We will return to Harrisville around 9:00 pm.

Harmony Church is hosting **Harrisville Story Time on Wednesdays, 10-11 am**, for children ages two to prekindergarten with Linda Mertz, retired teacher, in the Big Fireplace Room. Adults are invited to attend with their children as Miss Linda reads a variety of classic, intriguing and fun stories especially for children. Program is sponsored by SR Community Library and has already started.

Office Hours This Week: Pastor Jeff will be in the office Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 9:30 am – 12:30 pm, and on Thursday 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Hayden will be in the office Wednesday evening and Thursday 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm Hours may vary due to work, vacations or unforeseen circumstances.



Harmony Church exists to boldly lead others to become followers of Jesus Christ.



Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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,
Well spring 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 happy chorus Which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us, Brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward In the triumph song of life.

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

Jesus loves me! this I know, For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong, They are weak but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! He who died Heaven's gate to open wide;
He will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus, take this heart of mine, Make it pure and wholly Thine;
On the cross You died for me, I will try to live for Thee.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Community Soup Night

Friday, September 24th

4:30pm-6:30pm



If you are willing to help, *please complete the insert and place it in the offering plate.* For questions, you may contact Gene McCandless or Cody Sloan. Thank you!

I will provide:

- Desserts
- Italian bread (loaf-sliced)
- Saltine crackers

I would like to:

- work in the kitchen
- serve or greet guests
- help with clean-up

Name _____ Phone _____

Your contributions are essential to keep this ministry ongoing.