

Armstrong Chapel Worship Resource—October 2, 2022



CHOIR *Siyahamba* -South African Folk Song

CALL TO WORSHIP Hanlin Bavelly, liturgist
based on Psalm 138

Leader: Today we gather around God's table.

People: We are the children of God!

Leader: Though we differ in language, custom, and tradition,

People: we are co-heirs in Christ!

Leader: For there is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism

People: we are One in God's Spirit!

Leader: We are one and together we remember our Lord Jesus

People: for we are the people of amazing love!

Leader: He gave himself up for us, so we could be reconciled to God.

People: Come, let us worship the God of Salvation!

HYMN *One Bread, One Body*
UMH #620

Refrain: *One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
One cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many throughout the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.*

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
Woman or man, no more ... (Refrain)

Many the gifts, many the works,
One in the Lord of all ... (Refrain)

Text: John B. Foley (1978)
Music: © 1978 John B. Foley, SJ, Published by OCP Publications

SCRIPTURE 2 Timothy 1:11-12 (NIV)

¹¹ And of this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. ¹² That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet this is no cause for shame, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until that day.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

UNITED METHODIST SOCIAL AFFIRMATION

**We believe in God,
creator of the world and of all people,
and in Jesus Christ,
incarnate among us, who died and rose again,
and in the Holy Spirit,
present with us to guide, strengthen and comfort.
We believe, God help our unbelief.
We rejoice in every sign of God's Kingdom:
in the upholding of human dignity and community;
in every expression of love,
justice and reconciliation;
in each act of self-giving on behalf of others;
in the abundance of God's gifts entrusted to us
that all may have enough;
in all responsible use of earth's resources.
Glory be to God on high and on earth,
peace.**

HYMN *On Eagle's Wings*
UMH #143

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of God's hand.

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

by Robin Knowles Wallace

**God of mercy,
we confess that we have not loved you with all our
being. We have done things which we ought not to
have done, and we have left undone things which
we ought to have done. We have ignored the cries of
those in need. Forgive us and set us free, that we
may live into the hope of your calling...**

Silent Prayers may be offered

Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Thanks be to God: Jesus died for our sins.

We are forgiven!

We are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

So now as a people restored to one another and God, let us boldly pray what Christ taught us to 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.

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SCRIPTURE

Romans 8:15-28 (NIV)

For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave to fear but you received the Spirit of Sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father."¹⁶ The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.¹⁷ Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

¹⁸ I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.¹⁹ The creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed.²⁰ For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope²¹ that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the glorious freedom of the children of God.

²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time.²³ Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the first-fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption as children, the redemption of our bodies.²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have?²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

²⁶ In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express.²⁷ And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.

²⁸ And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

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

GIVING

CHOIR *Isle of Hope, Isle of Tears* -arr. J. Leavitt
***RESPONSE** #95

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.

MESSAGE

The Big Picture of Faith
Laurie Polich Short



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

by Robin Knowles Wallace

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God of all nations, you created every person in your image and called us by your Holy Spirit to become one in Christ Jesus, through Baptism and through faith. In Jesus Christ, you showed us the way to live with unique gifts and particularities, yet in harmony with you and with each other. You, O God, are indeed above all and through all and in all. So, today we join with voices throughout the earth and in heaven, saying:

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**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!**

Holy are you and blessed is your child, Jesus Christ. Jesus lived among us to show us your love: caring enough to feed hungry persons, stopping to touch persons in need of healing, reaching out to those not like himself:

a Samaritan woman at a well,
lepers from another country,
those tortured by demons,
a father pleading for his daughter,
a tax collector,
a rich young ruler, and so many others.

When people gathered to hear his teachings, Jesus took bread, blessed it and broke it, and gave it to them to eat, so that they might be fed. When Jesus ate with his disciples for his final meal on earth, they remembered his blessing on the multitude, and listened as he told them: “Take, eat, this is my body given for you.” They watched as Jesus took the cup, blessed it and said, “Take, drink, this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for the whole world for the forgiveness of sins.”

After his death and resurrection, by the power of the Holy Spirit, the disciples told others through this meal, that Jesus was the Christ, sent by God, for all humankind. Remembering now, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Savior of the world.
Pour out your Holy Spirit on the table
spread this day around this globe,
and here spread with breads from around the world.
May all who partake, wherever they live,
know the reconciling love of Jesus Christ.
May your church go forth from Communion with you
to be one in Christ and one in witness to the world.
In your Holy Name we pray. Amen.**

HYMN

Become to Us the Living Bread
UMH #630

Become to us the living bread
by which the Christian life is fed,
renewed, and greatly comforted.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Become the never-failing wine,
the spring of joy that shall incline
our hearts to bear the covenant sign.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

May Christians all with one accord
unite around the sacred board
to praise your holy name, O Lord.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: Miriam Drury
Music: Schones Geistliches Gesangbuch;
harm. from The Pilgrim

BENEDICTION

Adapted from The Africana Worship Book, Year B

On this World Communion Sunday, give us eyes to recognize your reflection in the eyes of Christians everywhere. Give us a mind to accept and celebrate our differences. Give us a heart big enough to love your children everywhere. We thank you for setting a table with space enough for us all!

In the unity of the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer,
may we go in peace. AMEN.

**Stand as you are able*



FELLOWSHIP

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

*A special THANK YOU to Lynne Miller for coordinating today's
special Fellowship Time which will include breads from
around the world to celebrate World Communion Sunday.*

REGISTER YOUR
ATTENDANCE



ONLINE
GIVING



SHARING THE GIFTS OF BREAD AND CUP

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Church-wide fun for all ages! Sunday, October 30 from 11:15am–1:30pm

Enjoy lunch, games, a bouncy house, and pumpkin carving.
Bring a pot of chili to share and compete for the “Golden Spoon” Award!
Costumes welcome!

It's fun for the entire family. Invite your friends and neighbors.
We will be collecting canned goods for IPM.

Thanksgiving with our neighbors at State Avenue UMC in Lower Price Hill

The meal isn't until November 20 ... but now is the time to plan our annual Thanksgiving meal with the families of State Avenue UMC in Lower Price Hill. We will serve a meal to approximately 100 people in the community. What's needed? Donations, food preparations, transporting, serving and more.



Outreach

Thanksgiving

Dinner

VOLUNTEER & DONATE FOOD

- **FOOD NEEDED**—Prepared turkey, green beans, pie, cornbread, mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, drinks, fresh fruit (apples, bananas, etc.), cupcakes, and more.
- **FIRST SHIFT**—meet at Armstrong, drop off food, and prep food between 11:30am-1:30pm.
- **SECOND SHIFT**—load food, transport to State Ave, and set up for meal 1:30-3:30pm.
- **THIRD SHIFT**—Serve meal at State Ave and clean up. 3:30-5:30pm.

SIGN UP TODAY for this hands-on outreach! <https://bit.ly/3DtsFli>
Contact Dianna Sheely with questions at 513-561-4220.



Sundays, October 9, 16, and 23
from 11:00am-1:00pm
Armstrong Room

Lunch will be provided. If you will need childcare, please let us know. Come learn what it means to be a member of the United Methodist Church and Armstrong Chapel.

Sign up by checking Box #4 on your Connect Card or go to <https://bit.ly/3xuP3gr> to sign up online.



FALL CONCERT

Featuring Ashley Hall-Tighe, Cornet Soloist
Sunday, October 16 at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary
A Free-Will Offering will be taken for the Band.



ANNUAL PERIOD PACKS DRIVE: 222 in '22

Women and girls of limited means often lack the funds for sanitary products. Like you and me, 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.

Our goal for 2022 is to create 222 PERIOD PACKS. And you can help! We are requesting these specific products to better accommodate the needs of our mission partners:

Regular Size Sanitary Pads – 22 or 28 count
Feminine Hygiene wipes – 32 or 48 count
Hand Sanitizer – 2oz

Regular Size Tampons – 16 or 18 count
Bottles of Ibuprofen – 100 count
(Incontinence products are NOT included in this effort)

To donate products online: <https://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/2S3VRPXFJGTB3/guest-view>.
If you can't find these items – or don't have time to shop for them – then we welcome your cash donation in the Sunday offering or online at armstrongchapel.org/giving. Each PACK costs ~ \$20.
Dropoff in the designated bins in the Atrium on Sunday or at the church office through November 1 between 9am-2pm on M/T/Th.

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 shelleypresents@gmail.com or Jan Rogers jan@timetimer.com.

STEPHEN MINISTRY INVITES YOU TO: Restoring Hope and Supporting Healing with Crime Victims and Survivors

Presented by Jami Nathan
All In Community Training & Ministry
Coordinator for the West Ohio Conference
Saturday, October 8, 10-12:30
in the Armstrong Room

We will explore where and how people are experiencing harm, the levels of victim impact and what our immediate responses should include when harm has occurred. Ways to equip victim/survivor allies to support long-term social, emotional, and spiritual healing will be shared and discussed.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED:
westohioumc.org/conference/equipping-events