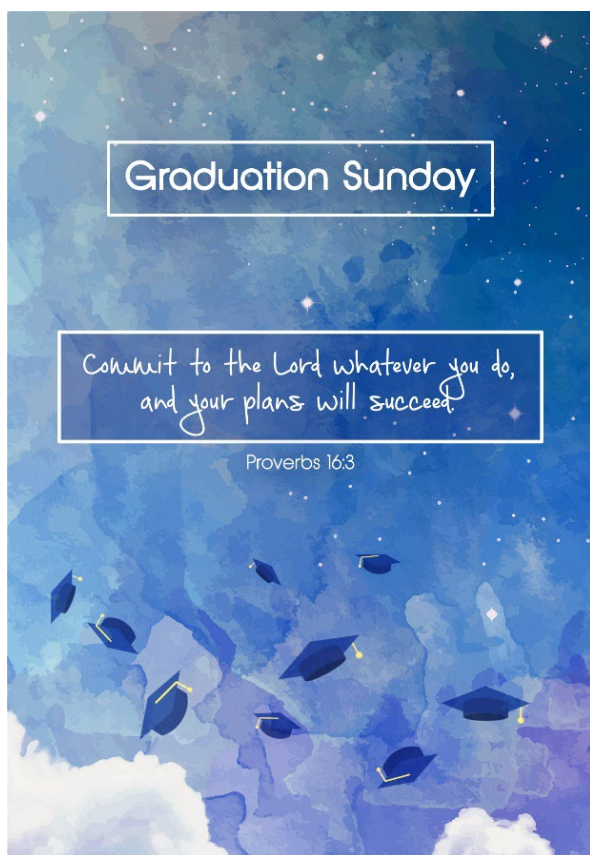


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CALL TO WORSHIP

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LEADER: We gather to celebrate and joyfully sing to God! Together, let us share praises and thankfulness. Come, let us enter into this sacred moment with praise.

PEOPLE: **You, O God, are the Holy God always and forever! You are the Eternal One from whom all things come. Come, let us enter into this sacred moment with thanks.**

LEADER: O God, we are your children, created by and with your love. Come, let us enter into this sacred moment with joy and delight. Amen.

HYMN

Here I am, Lord
#593

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Chorus: *Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them,
Whom shall I send? [Chorus]

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? [Chorus]

Text & Music: Dan Schutte, 1981

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WELCOME

9:40 OPENING HYMN *Now the Green Blade Riseth* #311

Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain,
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid Him, Love who had been slain,
Thinking that He never would awake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain,
Jesus who for three days in the grave had lain;
Quick from the dead the risen One is seen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Jesus' touch can call us back to life again,
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

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SCRIPTURE

Proverbs 16:3 (NRSV)

Commit your work to the Lord,
and your plans will be established.

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From Romans 8:35,37-39 #887

PASTOR: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

PEOPLE: **No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

HYMN

Spirit of the Living God
#393

Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God,
Fall afresh on me.

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RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

PASTORAL PRAYER

posted on Busted Halo

God of joy and hope, we thank you for this time of graduation. Your spirit of wisdom has empowered hard work and discipline in such a way that our hunger for learning has been nourished with knowledge, discovery, creativity, and determination.

As we prepare to receive diplomas or certificates, let us walk in prayerful gratitude for the many blessings that have made this moment real and filled with great potential.

In gratitude, we pray for our families and the many who have sacrificed and worked to see these graduates to this hopeful moment.

In gratitude, we pray for the teacher, professors and administrators who have challenged, cared, and crafted our journey in academics and training.

In gratitude, we pray for fellow students who have taught us more about friendship, collaboration, and sharing.

God, even as we have faced challenges and accomplished much, we understand that our lives move into a new chapter where there will be more challenges to face and more will be demanded of us in order to accomplish good things and your will. May your grace cover our anxieties and fears so that we may stay encouraged about the future.

Give us patience and hope to energize our search for work that is just and makes proper use of our gifts.

Give us courage to face the challenges of carving out a place in society where we might live in peace, service, and gratitude.

Give us strength to resist temptations as we strive to do and be our best.

May your Spirit guide us as we unfold the next chapters. Help us to enliven hope in the world and bring good things to Your Kingdom. And, may this celebration be a reflection of the blessings that we find in knowing and loving you. For this is the day that the Lord has made. We are glad and rejoice in it!

Breathe on us with your Spirit, through the risen Christ, who 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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HYMN

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee
#430

O Master, let me walk with thee
in lowly paths of service free;
tell me thy secret; help me bear
the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move
by some clear, winning word of love;
teach me the wayward feet to stay,
and guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee
in closer, dearer company,
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
in trust that triumphs over wrong;

In hope that sends a shining ray
far down the future's broadening way,
in peace that only thou canst give,
with thee, O Master, let me live.

Text: Washington Gladden (1879)
Music: H. Percy Smith (1874)

OFFERING

#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.

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 1:9-11 (NRSV)

⁹ And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight ¹⁰ to help you to determine what really matters, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, ¹¹ having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

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

MESSAGE

Goals of Graduation
Rev. David Brown

*God's hope for us is that with time,
a constant love will enable
us to learn more,
and discover what is truly needed
within our lives to make us happy.*

BENEDICTION

written by Lisa O. Englehardt

May you have wisdom in heart and mind;
success in every challenge you find;
courage to seek life's purpose for you;
belief in yourself and strength to do your best
and the guiding light of faith to ensure
that wherever you go, whatever you do,
God's love will always see you through.

In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Liturgist at 8:20 – Scott Darrah
Liturgist at 9:40 – Gary Kilday

Armstrong Chapel Handbell Choir @ 9:40
Directed by Chester Imhausen

Prelude *Now the Green Blade Riseth* -arr McChesney
Offertory *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* -arr Dobrinski

**REGISTER YOUR
ATTENDANCE**



**ONLINE
GIVING**



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

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High School & College



Abigail Adams, daughter of Tom and Carol Adams, graduates from Turpin High School. She will attend the University of Iowa to study creative writing.



Sarah Grace Brown, daughter of Kelly and Tim Brown, graduates from Indian Hill High School. She will attend Cornell University to study mechanical engineering with a dance minor.



Celia Caesar, daughter of Ann and Mark Caesar, graduates from the Ohio State University.



McKenna Johnson, daughter of Lynn Johnson, graduates from the University of Cincinnati. She will be working for Bank of America.



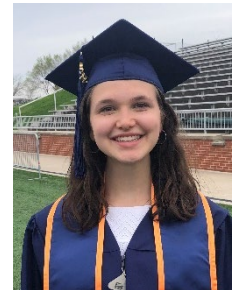
Cameron Metz, son of Sally and Bill Metz, graduates from Miami University (Oxford, OH) with a BA in Philosophy, a BA in Political Science, and minor in statistics. He will work for Goldman Sachs.



Benny Mitchell, son of Bill and Niki Mitchell, graduates from Mariemont High School. He will attend Denison University to study theatre and data analytics. His dream job is to create the next Netflix!



Wesley Pollard, son of Angie Hopkins and Tony Pollard, graduates from LaSalle High School. He will attend UC Blue Ash to study music theater and music production.

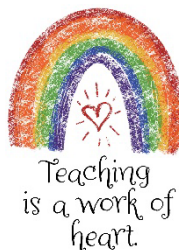


Erin Ramey, daughter of Linda and Clark Ramey, graduates from Hope College with a BS in Chemistry. She is headed to The Ohio State University for their chemistry PhD program.

*Information submitted by students or their families.
We wish all graduating this spring congratulations, too!*

Armstrong Preschool is HIRING!

We are looking for lead teachers for the 2022-2023 school year. Education degree preferred. If you or you know of someone who might be interested, please email Amy Voss, Director, at avoss@armstrongchapel.org.



Twin Lakes Meet & Greet

in the chapel at Twin Lakes Friday May 20 @ 1:30pm
Come meet some of the newest staff of Armstrong Chapel at a gathering with Pastors David and Elizabeth Brown. We are excited to introduce Intern Associate, Pastor Brandon Long, and Director of Digital Programming and Communications, Shanon Rice. *Invite a friend and spend moments in fellowship.*



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY INVITES
YOU TO THIS
MENTAL HEALTH
AWARENESS
EVENT**

Together for Mental Health: Navigating A Crisis in Our Community

Monday, May 16 from 7:00-8:00pm @ Milford 1st UMC (free)
In-person or online (church's website or Facebook page)

Millions of people in the United States are affected by mental illness each year. Leaders from Milford Schools, NAMI, Child Focus and other organizations will share strategies for destigmatizing this critical issue. You'll also learn how faith plays a role in one's mental health and how community organizations like churches can support those struggling with conditions that often impact one's mental health, including stress, depression, anxiety, isolation, and hopelessness.

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The Cincinnati Choral Society invites you to their performance of Michael John Trotta's, *Light Shines in the Darkness*, **THIS AFTERNOON at 3:00pm IN OUR SANCTUARY**. The chorus will be accompanied by organ and the Hawthorne String Quartet, which will also perform Mozart's Divertimento No. 1 in D major, K. 136 (K. 125a), "Salzburg Symphony No. 1" (1772). The concert is presented free of charge.

Hands-On Missions is Returning!

Our mission partner, Found House/Interfaith Housing Network (formerly Interfaith Hospitality Network – aka: IHN), is returning to housing families in partner churches beginning in June. (They've been in hotels in COVID.) Three churches in Hyde Park (Church of the Redeemer, Knox Presbyterian, and Hyde Park Community UMC) have coordinated to offer space to IHN families throughout the upcoming summer months.



Although we will not house them at here Armstrong, our next scheduled host week is Sunday, June 5 - Saturday, June 11. **Volunteers are needed to provide and serve (host) dinner** at Knox Presbyterian in Hyde Park each night. Food (for usually around 15 people) will need to be delivered to Knox (main door) between 5:00-5:30pm. The dinner hosting time is 5:30-6:30pm. Sign up today! <https://bit.ly/3MNI1w> Questions? Contact Shannon Mills at 513-368-5836.

Special Service

Sunday, May 22

10am in the Sanctuary

(note service time change from 9:40am)

Rev. Dr. Jerry Dickey

Guest Preacher

Associate Pastor here in the early 1970s to early 80s, Jerry will be celebrating 50 years since his arrival to minister at Armstrong Chapel.



Register for VBS!
July 11-14

Get on a roll with God as a parade of Food Trucks rolls into our neighborhood for the summer's biggest party! This VBS invites children to pray as Jesus teaches us in Matthew 6:11: "Give us this day our daily bread." These words serve as a reminder that everything we have comes from God — and that it's by turning to God in prayer that all of our daily needs are met.

Monday-Thursday from 9:30-12
\$50 per child (age 4 to entering grade 5)

ArmstrongChapel.org/children

3rd ANNUAL ARMSTRONG GOLF SCRAMBLE

Hosted by Armstrong Men's Ministry

Friday, July 8

Hamilton Elks Golf Club

Male, female, and coed foursomes welcome!

9:00am Shotgun Start

\$100 per player – includes green fees, cart, lunch, range balls, mulligan and string for putting

Registration: bit.ly/3uBIRUa

Sponsorship Opportunities: bit.ly/3O6y8aB



144th Memorial Day Observance

Monday, May 30

@ 10:30am

Old Armstrong Chapel (outside)



Sunday, May 29 – 9:40am worship

No Sunday School. There will be childcare for nursery through age 3.



Our next work date is Saturday, June 4 at 1665 Jonathan Avenue in Evanston. There are a wide variety of jobs/roles, so we are seeking volunteers of any skill level: construction work (experienced & not) and non-strenuous tasks. To offer your services or to get more info, contact Geoff Smith at geoff.smith@fuse.net or 513-240-1468.