

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from a writing by Gord Waldie

Leader: The Spirit is among us, within us,

around us, between us.

People: The Spirit strengthens us

bringing courage, bringing conviction.

Leader: The Spirit moves us, making us sing and

praise.

People: May we feel the Spirit as we worship.

\*HYMN

America the Beautiful #696

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain; for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife, who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!

America! America! May God thy gold refine, till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine.

O beautiful for patriot dream
that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam,
undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
confirm thy soul in self-control,
thy liberty in law.

Text: Katharine Lee Bates;1904 Music: Samuel A. Ward, 1888

#### **SCRIPTURE**

Psalm 146: 5-7 (NIV)

<sup>5</sup> Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God.

- <sup>6</sup> God is the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them— God remains faithful forever.
- <sup>7</sup> God upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets prisoners free,

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

#### **HYMN**

Spirit of the Living God

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Fall afresh on me.
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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
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#### A PRAYER OF CONFESSION

By Christine Sine

God, thank you for your Spirit breaking down barriers within and without. Barriers that distort our ability to lead a life fully integrated with you and your ways. Forgive us for the times we have deliberately resisted the Spirit's work.

Life giving Spirit, God's advocate and guide, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, God, for the barriers we create within ourselves. Barriers that resist your healing work and prevent us moving toward wholeness. Forgive our self-centeredness, our anger, our fear of change, our lack of trust in your love.

Life giving Spirit, God's advocate and guide, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, God, for the barriers we create between us and you. Barriers that separate us from your love and the assurance of your salvation. Forgive our busyness, our independence, our desire to go our own way.

Life giving Spirit, God's advocate and guide, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, God, for the barriers we create between us and each other. Barriers that separate us from neighbors near and far and inhibit mutual love and care. Forgive our resentment of others, our love of control, our indifference to the persons who live on the margins.

Life giving Spirit, God's advocate and guide, have mercy on us.

Forgive us God, for the barriers we create between us and your beautiful creation. Barriers that abuse your world and deny our responsibility as stewards. Forgive our greed, our misuse of resources, our pollution of the environment.

Life giving Spirit, God's advocate and guide, have mercy on us.

God, by the power of your Spirit, free us and break down these barriers. Turn us away from the bondage of a life lived for ourselves and our own desires. May your Spirit guide us into the freedom of life lived for you and your purposes.

Life giving Spirit, God's advocate and guide, have mercy on us.

Hear us as we unite together 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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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**

1 Timothy 4:12 (NIV)

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.

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

**MESSAGE** 

Living by Faith: Lessons for Life III Rev. David Brown

Philip – John 1:46
Bring others to the Lord
Matthew – Matthew 9:9
Seeing Kingdom Potential
Thomas – John 20:25
Dare to Ask Difficult Questions
Simon the Zealot – Luke 6:15
Follow Jesus with Focused Zeal
Barnabas – Acts 4:36-37
Giving and Giving and Giving
Paul – 1 Timothy 1:15
Failures and Successes: Transform them All
Cleopas – Luke 24:18

# INVITATION TO THE TABLE HOLY TABLE OF THE LORD

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In this act of prayer and sacrament, O God, our lives are opened to You, and with them, our world.

Living with Eyes Wide Open

We pray that Your Spirit would whisper through every heart and everyplace where the voice of Your Presence is silent.

We ask that Your Spirit would challenge and empower all who are weak, broken, diseased or weeping.

We long for Your Spirit to inspire all who follow You to think, speak and live as true imitators of Christ.

That our world and all who live in it may know peace, healing and reconciliation with you and with each other.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people.

He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Also, in that supper he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered, and on these gifts of bread and cup. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by His blood.

We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

#### **SHARING OF BREAD AND CUP**

#### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Attributed to St. Ignatius Loyola

Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding, my whole will, all I have, and all I possess. You gave it all to me; to you, Lord, I return it all. It is all yours: Do with me entirely as you will. Give me your love and your grace: This is enough for me. Amen.

\*HYMN

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven #66

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to the throne thy tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore God's praises sing.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise the everlasting King.

Praise the Lord for grace and favor to all people in distress; praise God, still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless. Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious now God's faithfulness.

Father-like, God tends and spares us; well our feeble frame God knows; mother-like, God gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Widely yet God's mercy flows.

Angels in the heights, adoring, you behold God face to face; saints triumphant, now adoring, gathered in from every race.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise with us the God of grace.

Text: Henry F. Lyte (1834) Music: John Goss (1869)

#### \*BENEDICTION

adapted from a writing by Joanna Harader

As you go forth,
may the wind of the Spirit stir our senses
and blow through our life;
may the fire of the Spirit scorch our complacency
and light our way.
And may the blessing of the Holy One—
Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer—

rest with us now and forever more. Amen.

Liturgist at 8:20 – Carol Ney Liturgist at 9:40 – Steve Hoard Special Music at 9:40 – Braden Perry



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





<sup>\*</sup>Stand as you are able

## Sunday, July 17 @10:00am in the Worship Center **Vacation Bible School Celebration**

Christians are invited to trust that God not only wants to meet the needs of God's children, but God wants to lavish us with spiritual blessings, even to overflowing - Psalm 23:5. (Combined 9:40 & 10:30 services. No change to 8:20 Old Chapel service.)



# 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 & Sponsorship Opportunities: ArmstrongChapel.org/men





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

### **Women's Summer Study**

Wednesdays 7/6, 7/20, 8/3, 8/17 & 8/31 at 6:30pm in the Armstrong Room



Bob Goff's UNDISTRACTED video series is designed to serve like rumble strips on the road to alert you as to how far you have drifted from your lane.

\$20 for study guide Sign up at armstrongchapel.org/womenunited



### TUTORING IN MADISONVILLE

This past school year we were able to get back into the building and work 1:1 with 15 students at John P. Parker Elementary in Madisonville. Plans are to continue with Parker Kids Club on Tuesdays this coming school year. The program will run in its entirety from 2:30-4:30pm with the first hours offering either an Enrichment Club or Chess Club (students' choice), followed by 1:1 tutoring at 3:30pm for an hour. Program is currently planned to begin on September 6.

Can you commit to helping us make a difference in the lives of these kids? We are currently recruiting tutors for the upcoming 2022-23 school year! Sign up today at https://bit.ly/3xl7iON.

One hour really does make a difference! If you have questions, please connect with Dianna Sheely (dsheely@armstrongchapel.org).

### Meals Needed for IHN – Hands-On Missions

Our mission partner, Found House: Interfaith Housing Network (IHN), has returned to housing families in partner churches. Three churches in Hyde Park have coordinated to offer space to IHN families throughout the summer months.

Although we will not house them at here Armstrong, our next scheduled outreach nights are Tuesday,

August 2, and Wednesday, August 3. Volunteers are needed to provide and serve (host) dinner at Church of the Redeemer in Hyde Park each night. Food (for usually around 15-20 people) will need to be delivered to Redeemer between 5:00-5:30pm. The dinner hosting time is 5:30-6:30pm. Sign up today! https://bit.ly/3ycgP10. Questions? Contact Shannon Mills at 513-368-5836.

