

Armstrong Chapel Worship Resource—July 24, 2022



*CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Luke 11:9

LEADER: Lord, as we search now, let us find you.

PEOPLE: **As we knock, open the door to us.**

LEADER: Let us know you, that we may praise you;

PEOPLE: **and love you, that we may serve you.**

LEADER: The Lord is your light and your salvation.

PEOPLE: **Even though everything around us is disturbing, yet God's love is constant.**

Thanks be to God. AMEN.

*OPENING PRAYER

#412

Prayer of John Chrysostom, 5th Century

Almighty God,

You have given us grace at this time with one accord
to make our common supplications to You;
And You have promised through your well-beloved
Son

that when two or three are gathered together in
His name, You will be in the midst of them.

Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions

As may be best for us;

Granting us in this world knowledge of Your truth,
And in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN

Kum Ba Yah (Come by Here)

#494

Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah.

Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah.

Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah.

Oh, Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah.

Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah.

Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah.

Oh, Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah.

Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah.

Someone's crying, Lord, kum ba yah.

Oh, Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone needs you, Lord, kum ba yah.

Someone needs you, Lord, kum ba yah.

Someone needs you, Lord, kum ba yah.

Oh, Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah.

Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah.

Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah.

Oh, Lord, kum ba yah!

Let us praise the Lord, kum ba yah.

Let us praise the Lord, kum ba yah.

Let us praise the Lord, kum ba yah.

Oh, Lord, kum ba yah!

Text & Music: Afro-American Spiritual, Carlton R. Young (1988)

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PRAYER BEFORE READING SCRIPTURE

Prayer by John Chrysostom

O Lord Jesus Christ, open the eyes of my heart that I may hear Your Word, and understand and do Your will, for I am a sojourner upon the Earth. Hide not Your commandments from me, but open my eyes, that I may perceive the wonders of Your Law. Speak to me the hidden and secret things of Your wisdom. On You do I set my hope, O my God, that You shall enlighten my mind and understanding with the light of Your knowledge; not only to cherish those things which are written, but to do them; For You are the enlightenment of those who lie in darkness, and from You comes every good deed and every gift. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Psalms 103:1-5 (NRSV)

¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name.

² Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and do not forget all his benefits—

³ who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,

⁴ who redeems your life from the Pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

⁵ who satisfies you with good as long as you live...

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

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HYMN

Holy Ground
#2272 Faith We Sing

We are standing on holy ground,
And I know that there are angels all around;
Let us praise, Jesus now;
We are standing in His presence on holy ground.

Words & Music: Geron Davis
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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

by Chuck Fromm and Jeremy Armstrong

Lord, teach us to pray.
So we might awaken to the wonder of your presence.
So we might feel gratitude for your gift of life today.
So we might discover your kingdom as revealed in our
sisters and brothers.
So we might find safety beneath the shelter of your
wings.

So we might declare your glory together:

Lord, teach us to pray.

So we might forgive those who have wronged us.
So we might lead free from pretense and hypocrisy.
So we might trust your perfect plans and not replace
them with our own.
So we might love you with our whole hearts, and love
our neighbors as ourselves.

So we might declare your glory together:

Lord, teach us to pray.

So diverse hearts might harmonize as many voices
become one.
So our bodies might praise you.
So criticism is replaced with an offering of sacrifice.
So we consider others more important than
ourselves.

So we might declare your glory together:

Lord, teach us to pray.

So the truth of your Word resonates in what we say
and sing. So we might prepare a way through the
wilderness of chaos and pain.
So our eyes are alert and our souls awake to your
movement in our midst.
So our good work is fruitful in the reign of your
kingdom.

So we might declare your glory together:

Lord, teach us to pray.

So our voices bring a pleasing sound to your ear.
So the notes of our instruments rise sweetly to your
throne.
So our singing is a light in the darkness, drawing
nations to your grace.
So our songs vibrate with the voice of the Lamb
who was slain.

So we might declare your glory together:

Lord, teach us to pray.

So the lonely and hopeless find comfort in your
abundant presence.
So those in war and famine find the everlasting
peace of your Spirit.
So we are not indifferent to the suffering of the
world around us.
So our songs help to make us look more like you.

So we might declare your glory together:

Lord, teach us to pray.

Hear us now as we pray the prayer He taught us
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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GIVING

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.

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SCRIPTURE

Luke 11:1-4 (NRSV)

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." So he said to them, "When you pray, say:

Our Father in heaven,
may your name be revered as holy.

May your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial."

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Learning to Pray

Rev. David W. Brown

Luke associates prayer with the most important moments of Jesus' life:

- Jesus prays at his baptism (3:21)
- After a day of working miracles (5:16)
- Before choosing the Twelve (6:12)
- Feeding of the 5000 (9:16)
- Before Peter's confession Jesus prays alone (9:18)
- Jesus on the Mount of the Transfiguration (9:28-29)
- Jesus prays with gladness and thanksgiving after the mission of the seventy disciples (10:21-22)
- The disciples ask him to teach them to pray (11:1)
- Jesus prays in the Mount of Olives (22:39-46)
- During his Crucifixion (23:34 & 46)

HYMN

I Need Thee Every Hour

#397

I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
no tender voice like thine can peace afford.

Refrain:

*I need thee, O I need thee;
every hour I need thee;*

O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

I need thee every hour; stay thou nearby;
temptations lose their power when thou art nigh.

(Refrain)

I need thee every hour, in joy or pain;
come quickly and abide, or life is vain.

(Refrain)

I need thee every hour; teach me thy will;
and thy rich promises in me fulfill.
(Refrain)

I need thee every hour, most Holy One;
O make me thine indeed, thou blessed Son.
(Refrain)

Text: Annie S. Hawks (1872)

Music: Robert Lowry (1873)

BLESSING

adapted from writing by Nancy C. Townley

Beloved of God, you are given healing and forgiveness. God has poured love upon you that you may be faithful disciples, offering healing love and forgiveness to all. Go in peace through the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. AMEN.

**Stand as you are able*

Liturgist at 8:20 – Greg Bailie

Liturgist at 9:40 – Hanlin Bavely

Special Music at 9:40 – Jeremy Williams



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

REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE



ONLINE GIVING



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SCHOOL SUPPLY *Drive*

Donations can be placed in the designated area in the Atrium or anytime between the Atrium entrance doors; monetary donations can be placed in the offering or sent to the office with "School Supplies" in the memo line.

***We have just one
more week!
Items are need by
Sunday, July 31!***

One of our local mission partners, Inter Parish Ministry (IPM), plans to help 350 area children get ready for the upcoming school year! We are collecting specific school supplies for their drive:

- Children's headphones / earbuds
- 1-subject wide-ruled notebooks
- Lined index cards
- Pencil sharpeners



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.



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, August 26
7:00pm – inside
Popcorn & Drinks
Provided



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).