

Armstrong Chapel Worship Resource—October 16, 2022



*CALL TO WORSHIP

Inspired by Psalm 130

LEADER: Out of the depths we cry to, you, O God,
Lord hear our voices.

PEOPLE: Remember the grace of Jesus Christ.

LEADER: Let God's people put all their hope in the
Lord.

PEOPLE: For with God there is faithful love,
and in the Lord is plenteous redemption.

*HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
UM Hymnal #384

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down;
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit;
let us find that second rest.
Take away our bent to sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Text: Charles Wesley (1747)

Music: John Zundel (1870)

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 3:17 (NRSV)

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the
Lord is, there is freedom.

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

-Dianna Sheely

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed #880

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

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We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*universal

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.

HYMN

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus
UM Hymnal #349

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in his wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of his glory and grace

Words: Helen H. Lemmel, 1922
Music: Helen H. Lemmel, 1922

PASTORAL PRAYERS

Adapted from a prayer by Bruce Prewer

Living and faithful Spirit,
the God in whom we live
and move and have our being,
the God who is made known in Christ Jesus,
bless us one and all as we draw near to you in prayer.

Please remove from our minds and hearts
anything that hinders our worship or crushes our joy.
Increase within us
that holy longing for closeness
that sets our hearts free and obedient to your will.

Searching our thoughts,
and our hearing of the Scriptures,
to revive our lives in the passion to restore all
creation for your divine purpose.

We pray for our brothers and sisters
and especially those who celebrate this week;
those celebrating birthdays,
and those celebrating anniversaries.
Those finding new employment.
All who hear the faithfulness of the Spirit.

We pray for the sick, the suffering, the fearful,
and all who live in the wake of terror, especially those
in the conflict in the Ukraine, strife in Syria, civil war in
Ethiopia and humanitarian crisis in Yemen.

By you, with you and for you,
may our lives publish your praise,
may we seek the things that make for peace,
and receive the freedom that Christ alone supplies
as we pray as Jesus has taught us:

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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.

SCRIPTURE

John 8:31-36 (NIV)

³¹ To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. ³² Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

³³ They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?"

³⁴ Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. ³⁵ Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

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MESSAGE

*Love Matters More-
Freedom of True Love*
Rev. David W. Brown

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HYMN

Amazing Grace
UM Hymnal #378

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be,
as long as life endures.

Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess, within the veil,
a life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

Words: John Newton (1779)
Music: Edwin O. Excell (1900)

BLESSING

Sisters and brothers of Christ,
go into all the world!

Go forth with forgiveness and grace.
Go forth with compassion and love.

We go as Christ's family
for all the world to see.

We go in freedom to love and serve the Lord,
In the name of the Redeemer, Sustainer, and
Sanctifier. Amen.

**Stand as you are able*

Liturgist at 8:20 – Scott Darrah

Liturgist at 9:40 – Jay DeWitt

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are in celebration of Shelley
Bamberger's birthday given by her grandson, Tom Lake.*



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

REGISTER YOUR
ATTENDANCE



ONLINE
GIVING



Church-wide fun for all ages!
Sunday, October 30 from
11:30am–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 food for IPM's pantry. Anything is appreciated, but the current most-needed items are: Canned Fruit Cocktail, Jelly (plastic jars please), Peanut Butter, Spaghetti Sauce with meat (plastic jars please), Ravioli, Cereal.

Let us know you can bring a pot of chili: <https://bit.ly/3LZ0i6Z>

RIVER'S EDGE

BRASS BAND

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.

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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.

Pack shoeboxes so that children in the remote corners of the world can hear the good news of the gospel.

Pre-printed boxes and brochures are available in the Atrium.

Visit SamaritansPurse.org for more information.

BOXES ARE DUE 11/13.



ANNUAL MADISONVILLE LEAF RAKING SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

The Armstrong Men are once again teaming up with our partners, the Madisonville Braves, to assist Madisonville home owners with fall yard clean up! Let us join together to be Disciples and a light for Christ in being a blessing to others. *Bring the whole family rake!* Contact Andy Mauk to sign up: amauk403@gmail.com, (cell) 513-403-4433. In cooperation with People Working Cooperatively

Armstrong MEN
Disciples! Bold. Brave. Fearless.



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:

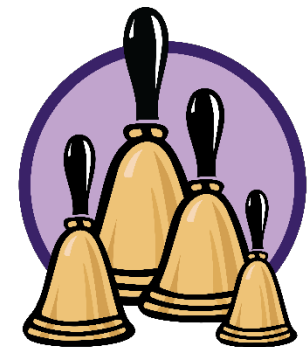
<https://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/2S3VRPXFGJT83/guest-view>.

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.



Armstrong Handbells invite you to "A Family Ring" on Sunday, October 30 between the 9:40am worship service and the Fall Festival!

Have you ever wanted to try something at least once? We encourage singles, parent and teen, grandparent and child, or friends of any age to come to the front of the Sanctuary as the postlude plays. If you want to notify Chester Imhausen in advance, cimhausen@gmail.com, that is fine, but come ring with us even if you decide that very day! The experience starts with "how to ring" and ends with "ring a song," and will be finished in 30 minutes. We welcome you to ring with us!