

Knowing Jesus Christ

Growing in grace

Going into the world with hope

"For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all people."

I Timothy 4.10

Sunday Service Times:

Adult & Children's Sunday School: 9:15 – 10:05am Worship Service: 10:30 – 11:45am

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Song of Gathering

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Almighty

Words and Music by Wayne Watson, 1980

(Chorus)

Almighty, most Holy God, Faithful through the ages Almighty, most Holy Lord, Glorious, Almighty God

The beasts of the field, The birds of the air,
Are silent to call out your name;
The earth has no voice, and I have no choice,
But to magnify God unashamed.
Let the rocks be kept silent for one more day;
Let the whole world sing out, let the people say.

(Chorus)

Well, time marches on, with innocence gone, And a darkness has covered the earth; But His Spirit still dwells, He speaks, "It is well," and the hopeless still offered new birth. He has now conquered death, It will have no sting; Let the prisoner go free, join the dance and sing

(Chorus)

Almighty, most Holy God, Faithful through the ages Almighty, most Holy Lord, Glorious, Almighty God Almighty!

Welcome and Announcements

Meditation

Lamentations 3.19-24

Remember my affliction and my wanderings, the wormwood and the gall! My soul continually remembers it and is bowed down within me. But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope:

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;

his mercies never come to an end;

they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

"The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

Call to Worship

Psalm 145.1-9

Leader: Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God;

for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

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People: The LORD builds up Jerusalem; He gathers the

outcasts of Israel.

Leader: He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

People: He determines the number of the stars; He gives to

all of them their names.

Leader: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; His

understanding is beyond measure.

People: The LORD lifts up the humble; He casts the wicked

to the ground.

Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise

O Worship the King

Words by Robert Grant, 1833, Music by Chris Tomlin, 2004

O worship the King all glorious above, O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love; Our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace, Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form, And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Chorus:

You alone are the matchless King, To You alone be all majesty. Your glories and wonders, what tongue can recite? You breathe in the air, You shine in the light.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In You do we trust, nor find You to fail; Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end. Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

Chorus x 2

O measureless Might! Ineffable Love! While angels delight to hymn You above, The humbler creation, though feeble their lays, With true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

Thy Mercy My God

Words by John Stocker and Keith Wilkerson, Music by Sandra McCracken, 2001

Thy mercy, My God, is the theme of my song The joy of my heart, and boast of my tongue Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last, Hath won my affections and bound my soul fast.

> Without thy sweet mercy I could not live here, Sin soon would reduce me to utter despair; But, through thy free goodness, my spirits revive And he that first made me, still keeps me alive.

Chorus:

You alone are the matchless King, To You alone be all majesty. Your glories and wonders, what tongue can recite? You breathe in the air, You shine in the light.

> Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart, Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart; Dissolved by thy goodness, I fall to the ground, And weep to the praise of the mercy I found.

Great Father of mercies, thy goodness I own, And the cov'nant love of thy crucified Son; All praise to the Spirit whose whisper divine, Seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine!

Responsive Reading

Philippians 2.1-11

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Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Romans 3.23-24

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

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Song of Assurance

A Debtor to Mercy Alone

Words by Augustus Toplady, 1771, Music by Kevin Twit, 1998

A debtor to mercy alone, Of covenant mercy I sing; Nor fear, with Thy righteousness on, My person and offering to bring. The terrors of law and of God With me can have nothing to do; My Savior's obedience and blood Hide all my transgressions from view

The work which His goodness began, The arm of His strength will complete; His promise is yea and amen, And never was forfeited yet.

Things future, nor things that are now, Not all things below nor above Can make Him His purpose forego, Or sever my soul from His love.

My name from the palms of His hands Eternity will not erase; Impressed on His heart it remains In marks of indelible grace. Yes, I to the end shall endure, As sure as the earnest is given More happy, but not more secure, The glorified spirits in heaven.

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Song of Thanksgiving

O God, Our Help, In Ages Past

Words by Isaac Watts, 1719, Music by William Croft, 1708

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home!

Beneath the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is Thine arm alone, And our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same.

Thy word commands our flesh to dust: "Return, ye sons of men!" All nations rose from earth at first And turn to earth again.

A thousand ages in Thy sight Are like an evening gone; Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.

O God our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Be Thou our quard while troubles last, And our eternal home.

Prayer for the Kingdom

Sermon

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Acts 6.1-7

Divisions, Decisions and Deacons, O My

A Disappointing Problem (verse 1)

A Spirit-Filled Solution (verses 2-6)

An Unexpected Result (verse 7)

Song of Response

Lead on O King Eternal

Words by Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1888, Music by Jeff Pardo, 2005

Lead on, O King eternal,
The day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest
Thy tents shall be our home.
Through days of preparation
Thy grace has made us strong;
And now, O King eternal,
We lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal,
Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper
The sweet amen of peace.
For not with swords' loud clashing,
Nor roll of stirring drums;
With deeds of love and mercy
The heavenly kingdom comes.

CHORUS Lead on, O King, Lead on, O King, Lead on, O King, lead on

Lead on, O King eternal,
We follow, not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning
Where'er Thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted over us,
We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might.

Benediction

Calendar for this Week:				
Today	9:15am 10:05am 10:30am 6:00pm	Sunday School Fellowship & Refreshments Worship Woods Care Group, 6 Mt. Ararat Rd. (Rob & Karen, 659-3248)		
Monday	7:oopm	Murphy Care Group, 21 Kimmer Ct (James & Katie, 752-6118)		
Tuesday	7:oopm	Backyard Bible Clubs planning meeting @ Bailey's house (720-4089)		
Thursday	10:30am 7:00pm	Play group @ Curtis Park Playground by tennis courts (Amy Bailey, 720-4089) Praise Team Practice (Pete Griffin, 286-1821)		

Upcoming Events:

Last Sunday Of Month	Communion Sunday followed by a potluck picnic at Autumn Ridge Park	
August 4-8	Backyard Bible Club @ Wright's 9am-noon	
August 11-15	Backyard Bible Club @ Griffin's/Murphy's 9am-noon	

Nursery Schedule: (Katie Murphy, 752-6118)

June 1	Sunday School: Worship:	J. Jany/P. Jany/S. Griffin K. Murphy/Chapmans
June 8	Sunday School: Worship:	M. Wright/Chapmans G. DiDomenico/A. Best/M. Turner

Birthdays this week: 6/5—Steve DiDomenico Anniversaries this week: 6/3—Pete & Pam Griffin

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