



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

July 18, 2021

Gathering & Gospeling



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LET THE WATER FLOW

WOMEN AT THE WELL 15 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

July 17/18: Waverly, Trinity UMC August 14-15: Ottumwa, Grace UMC

Sunday July 25: Women at the Well

Join us next Sunday as we welcome guest preacher Rev. Paul Witmer, pastor of Women at the Well UMC inside the women's correctional facility at Mitchellville. Come celebrate 15 years of this amazing ministry and hear more about the ways our congregation can continue to support and further the kingdom through Women at the Well!



August Series: "Faith From the Inside Out"

We'll finish out our Summer outdoor worship with a series based on the Disney Pixar film "Inside Out." The movie follows the emotions and experiences of 11-year-old Riley as her family goes through the transition of moving across the country. Join us as we discover how to live out our faith while balancing the emotions of fear, anger, sadness, disgust and joy!

We are happy to worship together with you!

All words for communal singing and speaking are included in the bulletin. You are encouraged to either speak the words in bold aloud as you worship, and to sing out your praise, or to attend to these words for worship and meditate on their meaning. You are also invited to greet one another and post prayer requests in the [Facebook](#) comments or to fill out the connect card in the bulletin or on the [website](#).

Children are always welcome in worship!

We love to hear their voices and know their presence among us! This summer, we are offering a **Children's Chapel** time during the second half of worship. Children are invited to follow our Children's Ministry leaders for a time of music, children's message and fun activities, and will return to their families during the last song.

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GATHERING SONG

“Love the Lord”

Verse 1

Love the Lord your God with all your heart
With all your soul with all your mind
And with all your strength (REPEAT)

Chorus 1

With all your heart with all your soul
With all your mind with all your strength
Love the Lord your God with all your heart
With all your soul with all your mind
And with all your strength

Verse 2

I will serve the Lord
With all my heart with all my soul
With all my mind and with all my strength
(REPEAT)

Chorus 2

With all my heart with all my soul

With all my mind with all my strength
I will serve the Lord with all my heart
With all my soul with all my mind
And with all my strength

Bridge

I will love You (I will love You)
I will praise You (I will praise You)
I will serve You (I will serve You)
I will trust You Lord (I will trust You)

Chorus 3

With all my heart with all my soul
With all my mind with all my strength
(REPEAT)

I will love You Lord with all my heart
With all my soul with all my mind
And with all my strength (REPEAT 2X)

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WELCOME

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FOCUSING SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 6:4-8 The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!” Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

CALL TO WORSHIP

God whispers to each of us: you are my beloved, created in love for love.

My spirit answers, Here I am, Lord. Speak to me anew.

God breathes on us the Holy Spirit, knitting many members into one body, the body of Christ.

Together we answer, Here we are Lord. Come, Holy Spirit.

God has yet more vision for the people. Who will work for God to extend God's kingdom into our hurting world?

Here we are Lord. Empower us for your work.

God calls the small, and helps them do great things. God calls the weak, and reveals their hidden gifts. God calls the rejected, and opens their eyes to their worth.

Here we are Lord, humble and waiting.

Then let us gather, old and young, small and great, to dream God's dreams, receive God's power, and do God's deeds.

Here we are Lord. Shine the light of your love on us. Kindle your Spirit within us. Work your redeeming will in us, that all the world may be one through the power of your love. Amen.

SONG

“Here I Am, Lord”

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky
I have heard my people cry

All who dwell in dark and 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?

I will break their hearts of stone
Give them hearts for love alone
Who will speak my word 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

3. 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

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain
I have borne my people's pain
I have wept for love of them
They turn away

Finest bread I will provide
'Til their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send?

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OFFERING OUR GIFTS

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PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

God of light and beauty, every gift is from you. Even our ability to give is a blessing of your love. We offer you what we have and what we are. Use our gifts to give birth to a world of righteousness where none are in need and where all draw close to your grace. Amen.

JOYS & CONCERNS

Turn to a neighbor to share joys and concerns, or submit prayer requests in the comments on Facebook or on the Attendance card in the bulletin or website.

PASTORAL PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER

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.

SONG OF REFLECTION "Our God Saves"

In the name of the Father in the name of the Son
In the name of the Spirit Lord we come
We're gather'd together to lift up Your name
To call on our Savior to fall on Your grace
Hear the joyful sound of our offering
As Your saints bow down as Your people sing
We will rise with You lifted on Your wings

And the world will see that

Chorus: Our God saves our God saves
There is hope in Your name
Mourning turns to songs of praise
Our God saves our God saves

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SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Matthew 19:13-21 Some people brought children to Jesus so that he would place his hands on them and pray. But the disciples scolded them. "Allow the children to come to me," Jesus said. "Don't forbid them, because the kingdom of heaven belongs to people like these children." Then he blessed the children and went away from there. A man approached him and said, "Teacher, what good thing must I do to have eternal life?" Jesus said, "Why do you ask me about what is good? There's only one who is good. If you want to enter eternal life, keep the commandments." The man said, "Which ones?" Then Jesus said, "Don't commit murder. Don't commit adultery. Don't steal. Don't give false

testimony. Honor your father and mother, and love your neighbor as you love yourself.” The young man replied, “I’ve kept all these. What am I still missing?” Jesus said, “If you want to be complete, go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor. Then you will have treasure in heaven. And come follow me.”

James 1:22-25

You must be doers of the word and not only hearers who mislead themselves. Those who hear but don’t do the word are like those who look at their faces in a mirror. They look at themselves, walk away, and immediately forget what they were like. But there are those who study the perfect law, the law of freedom, and continue to do it. They don’t listen and then forget, but they put it into practice in their lives. They will be blessed in whatever they do.

SERMON IN ACTION Being Doers of the Word: Packing School Kits

PRAYER OF BLESSING

God of all learning, God of all knowing, we offer these school kits filled with supplies for the coming school year. Bless all these tools for learning and knowing. Use them, we pray, to change many lives. Bless all the students who will receive them, that they might know and remember that they are loved, that You are with them, and that they are precious to us. Bless their families that they might know that you see their need and provide out of your abundant love for them. Bless all who learn, and all who guide them; bless all who teach, counsel and care, that these children may feel you walking beside them throughout the school year, so that each one may thrive and succeed. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

SONG OF SENDING “Thrive”

1: Here in this worn and weary land
Where many a dream has died
Like a tree planted by the water
We never will run dry

Pre-Chorus: So living water flowing through
God we thirst for more of You
Fill our hearts and flood our souls
With one desire

Chorus: Just to know You and to make You known
We lift Your name on high
Shine like the sun make darkness run and hide
We know we were made for so much more

Than ordinary lives
It's time for us to more than just survive
We were made to thrive

2: Into Your Word we're digging deep
To know our Father's heart
Into the world we're reaching out
To show them who You are

Bridge: Joy unspeakable
Faith unsinkable
Love unstoppable
Anything is possible
(REPEAT 3X)

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