



ENTRANCE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist - Jeff Sheldon

9:00 Grace Chapel Communion - Christine McHenry

Sign and pass the friendship/attendance pad located in the pew rack.

** Please stand as you are able. Join together in reading/singing the bold type*

Hymnal - *The United Methodist Hymnal*

Altar flowers are from Sara Connolly's memorial service on Saturday, November 18, 2017.

PRELUDE *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* Francis C. Woods
Dr. Brenda Portman, organist

SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O living and loving God, prepare our hearts for what You have for us this morning. Give us ears to hear Your good news, hearts to receive it, minds to comprehend it and the faith to live it. We offer ourselves in worship and praise. Amen.

* CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 103)

Bless the Lord, my soul.

With all my being I bless God's Holy Name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, and forget none of God's benefits.

The Lord pardons all my wrongdoing and heals all my ills.

The Lord rescues me from death's pit

And crowns me with love and compassion.

The Lord satisfies me with all good in the prime of life, and my youth is renewed like an eagle's.

Bless the Lord, my soul. With all my being I bless God's Holy Name.

* **HYMN** *God, Whose Love is Reigning O'er Us* Hymnal 100

* OPENING PRAYER

Eternal God, the refuge and help of all Your children, we praise You for all You have given us, for all You have done for us, for all that You are to us. In our weakness, You are strength. In our darkness, You are light. In our sorrow, You are comfort and peace. We cannot number Your blessings, we cannot declare Your love: For all Your blessings we bless You. May we live as in Your presence, and love the things that You love, and serve You in our daily lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

ANTHEM *Brother James's Air* Arr. Gordon Jacob
The Wesley Choir, Neal Hamlin conductor

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
In pastures green. He leadeth me the quiet waters by.
My soul He doth restore again and me to walk doth make
Within the paths of blessedness, e'en for His own Name's sake.

Yea, though I pass through shadowed vale, yet will I fear no ill,
For Thou art with me, and Thy Rod and Staff me comfort still.
My table Thou hast furnished in presence of my foes;
My head with oil Thou dost anoint and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my days will surely follow me.
And in my Father's heart always my dwelling place shall be.
And in my heart forevermore Thy dwelling place shall be.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.

PRAYER RESPONSE *Holy Spirit, Truth Divine* Hymnal 465

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 12:14-17 Pew Bible NT pg 162

This is the Word of our Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON *The Higher Road: Blessing* by Rev. Doug Johns

Bless Those _____.
(Romans 12:14; Matthew 5:43-45)

Bless Those _____.
(Romans 12:15; Luke 6:20-22; James 1:12)

Bless Those _____.
(Romans 12:16; Matthew 5:5; Acts 20:35)

Be a Blessing _____.
(Romans 12:17; Matthew 5:9-11; 2 Corinthians 9:8; 1 Peter 3:9)

OFFERTORY *A Blessing* Martin Shaw

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage;
Hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil;
Strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak;
Help the afflicted; honor all men.
Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son
And the Holy Ghost be upon you, and remain with you forever.

* **THE PRESENTATION AND DOXOLOGY** Hymnal 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING FORTH

* **HYMN** *Jesus, United by Thy Grace* Hymnal 561

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

An Irish Blessing Arnold Sherman

May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind be at your back;
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
May the rains fall soft upon your fields;
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the hollow of His hand.

POSTLUDE *Processional* Walker Baylor

We are glad you have joined us today! Join us in the Welcome Center after worship for coffee, fellowship & information.

The following assistive devices are available: assistive listening devices integrated with the sanctuary sound system and large print hymnals and orders of worship.

News & Happenings is included in your order of worship and in our weekly e-mail.

Childcare - Available for all 3 worship services

Infants - Room 120

Toddlers - (2 - 3 year olds) - Room 119

Sunday School - 9:30am

November's Theme - *"reFOCUS: Know Where To Look."*

Preschool - Room 9

We welcome ages 3-5 who are currently attending a weekday preschool. We sing, dance, play and do many activities based on our weekly bible study. Preschoolers will love to participate in this fun Sunday School class!

Kindergarten - 6th Grade – Little Theater:

We welcome all kids who are currently in Kindergarten through 6th grade. We start the hour by gathering together in one large community of kids to praise God, learn scripture, and sing together. Kids will then break into smaller groups by age to dive into age appropriate discussion questions and activities. Your kids will not want to miss this fun filled Sunday morning experience!

7th-12th Grade - Little Theater:

This year we will be helping lead the K-6 Sunday School and then breaking into small groups by grade level to delve deep into the weekly curriculum through discussion and other activities. You will not want to miss this exciting new Sunday School where we will be learning and teaching others about God's word and His amazing love.

Children's Choirs:

Children ages 3 yrs-8th grade begin 11:00am worship with their families in the Sanctuary. Following the Children's Moment the children are then invited and escorted to attend choir. Please pick up your child in their respective room.

Joy Singers (Age 3 – Grade 2)

Elizabeth Hickerson – *Director*
Room 8

Sunshine Singers (Grades 3-8)

Dana Calhoun – *Director*
Choir Room 202

Youth Group

Join us each Sunday evening in the Little Theater from 5:30p.m. - 8:00p.m. for HPCUMC youth group! All 7th-12th graders are welcome as we join together for food, fun, faith and fellowship.

Adult Sunday School

9:30 am	Adult Bible Study	Library
	FaithWeavers	Room 205
	The Parlor Parents Group	Parlor
11:00 am	New Ventures	Parlor
	Soul Builders	Room 205

Invitation to Pray:

Sympathy: to Ann Heginbotham and her family in the death of her mother, Marilyn Heginbotham.

Hospitalization: Dale Schneider (St. Elizabeth Edgewood)

Staff & Their Families: Jeff Leach and Kyle Colliate

Men & Women in the Military: We are praying for the men and women serving in the military

Our Church Ministries: United Methodist Women and Adult Ministry Connect Groups

Our Community Ministry & Global Outreach Partners: The 2020 Ministry and Thanksgiving Baskets

We want to include prayers for any active duty men & women in the military. Please send the information to mcovert@hpcumc.org.

Next Sunday, November 26:

Pastor Cathy concludes our sermon series on Romans chapter 12: "The Higher Road". Her sermon: "Peace" is based on Romans 12:18-21. How is peace possible? Join us next week as we explore the Apostle Paul's answer; invite a friend, relative, acquaintance or neighbor to join you.

Hyde Park Community Worship:

Sundays 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am, Sanctuary

Traditional Worship: 8:00 and 9:30 am

Worship @ 11: 11:00 am

View live worship, 9:30 am & 11:00 am online. In addition, recordings of the sermons are updated weekly on our website in both video and audio formats.

Over-the-Rhine Community Church Worship:

Sundays 10:30 am, Sanctuary

Holy Communion:

Hyde Park Community

1st Sunday of the month

All Services (8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am)

All other Sundays

9:00 am, Grace Chapel

Over-the-Rhine Community



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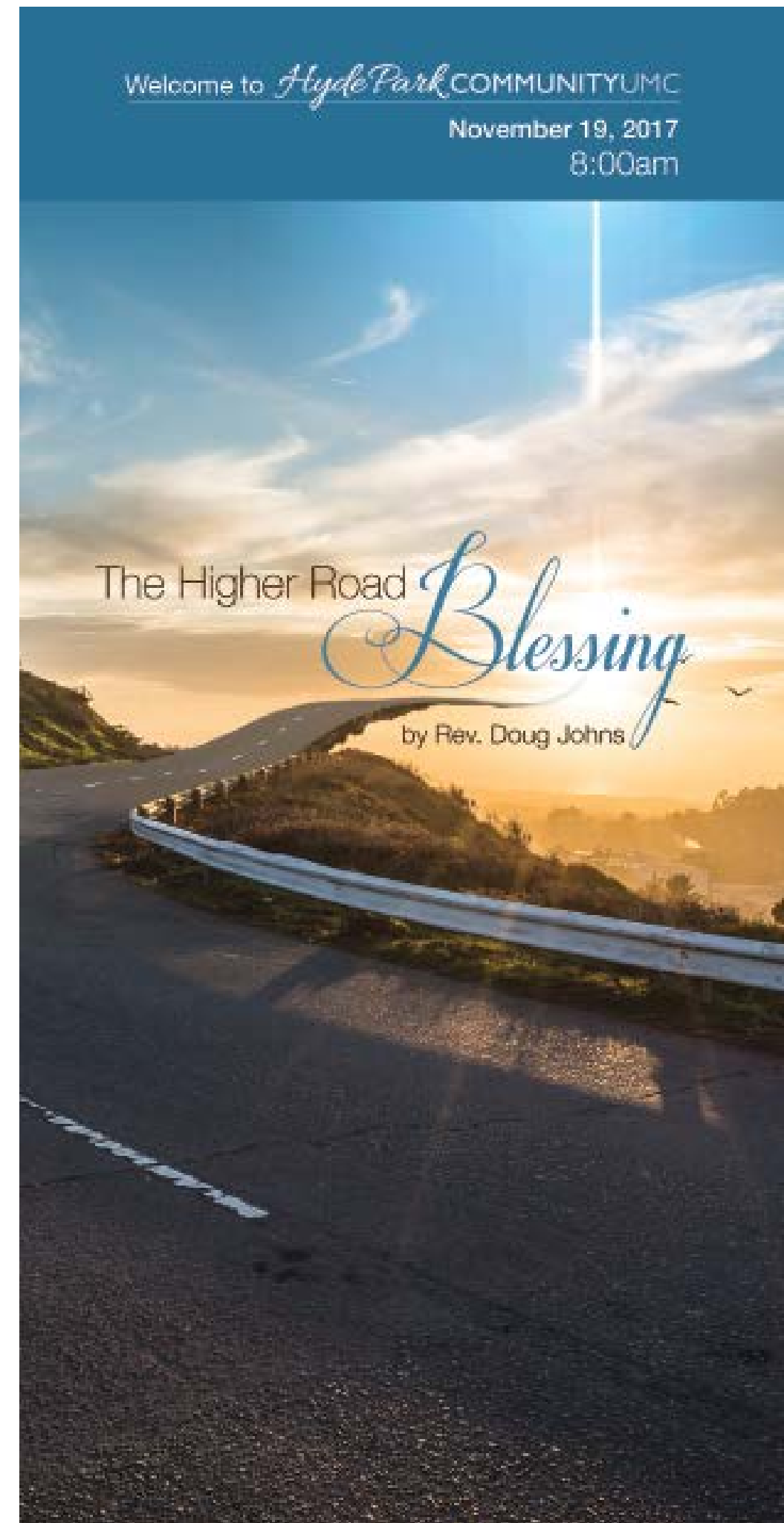
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Welcome to *Hyde Park* COMMUNITYUMC

November 19, 2017

8:00am

The Higher Road *Blessing*
by Rev. Doug Johns