



ENTRANCE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are glad you have joined us today!

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

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

Hymnal - *The United Methodist Hymnal*

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

Following worship, please join us in the Welcome Center for refreshments.

Altar Flowers: Remembering our dear Jim with love and treasured memories, the Swallen family.

Liturgist - Rev. Dr. Cathy Johns

PRELUDE *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*
Dr. Brenda Portman, organist

J. S. Bach

SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O God, from the rising of the sun to its setting, we sing Your praise. There is no one like You; You hear the cries of Your people and lift the poor from the dust. During this hour of worship, feed us with Your Living Word. Dry our tears. Put a new song in our hearts and fill us with love for You and each other. Amen.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

This morning we remember and are thankful for light, hope, and joy we have seen and experienced in the world and in our lives.

We also acknowledge that we have seen and experienced times of darkness, despair, and depression personally and communally.

We bring this morning our whole heart, soul, mind, spirit, and body.

Many times we might find ourselves afraid to share what is really going on.

May we begin to trust that we can share with God and loved ones our hopes and our fears; times of great faith and times of devastating doubt.

With all that we are and all that we have, let us worship God.

*HYMN *Lord, Speak to Me*

Hymnal 463

*OPENING PRAYER

God, we bring our stories to this sacred space this morning and we wait to be inspired and challenged by Your story. We bring our faithfulness - shape it with grace. We bring our possibilities - shape it with hope. We bring our weaknesses - shape them with compassion. We bring our doubts - shape them to be new awakenings. We bring our fears - shape them with Your light.

We confess, God, that more often than we would like to admit, the way is hard and we are tired. Speak into our tiredness with Your story of grace and love. We confess that sometimes, the way is unclear and we do not know the path. Speak into our wanderings with Your story of vision and light. We confess that we are tired of waiting and we just want to make it happen. Speak into our impatience with Your story of wisdom and perseverance.

Let Your story transform our story. Amen.

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

ANTHEM *My Heart, Ever Faithful*
Kim Kirch, soprano

J. S. Bach

My heart ever faithful, Sing praises, be joyful, thy Jesus is near; away with complaining, faith ever maintaining, my Jesus is here; my heart ever faithful, sing praises, be joyful, thy Jesus is here!

THE SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

Hymnal 39

Sung Responses Hymnal 53

Seated congregation sings the following as the participants gather at the font: **Jesus, Friend, so kind and gentle, little ones we bring to thee; Grant to them thy dearest blessing, let thine arms around them be; Now enfold them in thy goodness, from all danger keep them free.**

Presenting for Baptism: **Nicolas Alejandro Marin**
Parents are Edgar and Krista Marin

Seated congregation sings the following: **Grant to us a deep compassion for thy children everywhere. May we see our human family free from sorrow and despair, and behold thy kingdom glorious, in our world so bright and fair.**

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.

PSALTER Psalm 42 and 43

Pew Bible OT pg515

This is the Word of our Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON *The Psalms, An "App" For That: How to Persist*
by Rev. Kate Smith

OFFERTORY *The Lord Is My Light*
Kim Kirch, soprano

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The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom, then, shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life. Of whom, then, shall I be afraid? Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid; and tho' there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in Him.

For in the time of trouble, He shall hide me in His tabernacle. Yea, in the secret places of His dwelling shall He hide me, and set me up upon a rock of stone. The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom, then, shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life. Of whom, then, shall I be afraid?

*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 *We'll Understand It Better By and By*

Hymnal 525

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Allegro from Symphony IV*

William Boyce

Childcare - Available at the 9:30am and 11:00am worship services during our Summer months.

Summer Sunday School:

9:30-10:30am - Little Theater

We welcome all children who are entering Pre-K through sixth grade in the fall. We will have large group praise and song time, followed by age appropriate break out sessions.

Children's Choirs: *

The Joy Singers and the Sunshine Singers are off for the summer and will resume on Rally Day, September 9th.

Joy Singers (Age 3 – Grade 2)

Sunshine Singers (Grades 3-8)

Youth Ministry (7-12th grade) for the Summer: *

We want to teach, show, and encourage an active life with God at the center and that's exactly what the youth ministry focus is for this summer. Our goal is that through the variety of experiences offered over the summer youth can connect with God and each other in meaningful ways. For further information please go to <http://hydeparkchurch.org/youthministry/> or contact Kate Smith at ksmith@hpcumc.org.

Adult Sunday School: *

9:30 am Adult Bible Study Library

** All classes will resume September 9, Rally Day.*

Invitation to Pray:

Discharged: Jim Jenkins from Mercy Anderson Hospital and Gisela Dierks from Holmes Hospital.

Staff & Their Families: Jeff Leach, Brandon Ernst and Shawn Shouse

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

Our Church Ministries: Summer Impact

Our Global Ministries: Haiti, Romania and Russia

Next Sunday, July 22:

Pastor Cathy continues our sermon series, "There's an App for That" with the message "How to Find your Way." It is based on Psalm 25:4-10. When the path forward is unclear, the Psalmist helps us to gain perspective and find direction. Join us next Sunday and 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

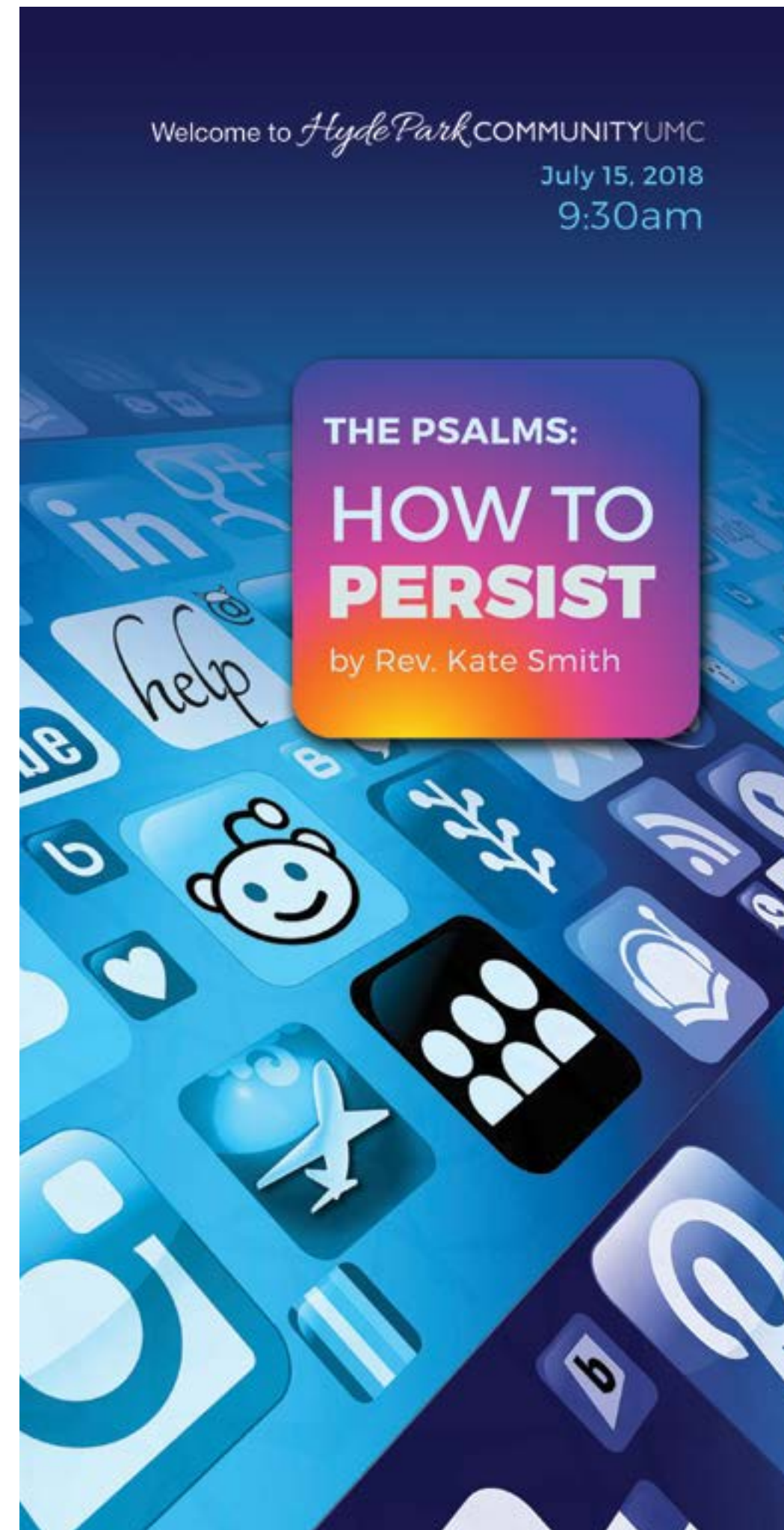
Every Sunday, 10:30 am, Sanctuary



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Welcome to *Hyde Park* COMMUNITYUMC

July 15, 2018

9:30am

THE PSALMS:
HOW TO PERSIST
by Rev. Kate Smith