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## **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 reading/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.

Liturgist - Barry Shantz Acolyte - Theo Davis

PRELUDE Prelude on "Be Thou My Vision"

Dr. Brenda Portman, organist

Fred Binckes

### SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

God of all seasons, draw me close to You during this time of worship. I come with joys and sorrows, fears and hopes, longing for Your perfect peace. Fill me with Your light and love and send me out to shine brightly for Christ. Amen.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 1)

Come, let us delight in the law of the Lord. Our joy is found in the love of God and neighbor.

Come, let us be nourished by the Living Water.

Let us praise God together, the source of our strength!

\*HYMN The God of Abraham Praise

Hymnal 116

### \*OPENING PRAYER

Holy One of mystery and power, there is no God like You. You embrace us in covenant and hold us in steadfast love with all who walk with You. You called Abraham and Sarah, blessing them to be a blessing. You call us, too, claiming us as Your beloved community, Your own daughters and sons. Help us bear witness to Your love in the world so that those to whom love is a stranger will find in us generous friends. Amen.

## **PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE**

ANTHEM If You But Trust in God to Guide You David Cherwien
The Cathedral Choir with Stephanie Glassmeyer, soprano;
Amandalynne Perzyk, soprano; Tim Philpott, tenor;
Steve Dauterman, baritone;
Evelien Woolard, flute; Christina Colletta, cello

If you but trust in God to guide you, with hopeful heart through all your ways, You will find strength, with God beside you, to bear the worst of evil days; for those who trust God's changeless love build on the rock that will not move.

What gain is there in futile weeping, in helpless anger and distress? If you are in God's care and keeping, in sorrow will God love you less? For Christ who took for you a cross will bring you safe through every loss.

Be still, be still and wait God's pleasure in cheerful hope, with heart content, trusting that grace which knows no measure will by unbounded love be sent; nor doubt our inmost wants are clear to One who holds us always near.

Sing, pray, and keep God's ways unswerving; offer your service faithfully, and trust God's word, though undeserving, there find the truth to set you free; God will not fail to guide and bless those who embrace God's faithfulness.

#### 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 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Hymnal 420

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Genesis 12:1-9

Pew Bible OT p. 10

This is the Word of our Lord.

Thanks be to God!

**SERMON** Walking with God: Abraham and Sarah Rev. Dr. Cathy Johns

**OFFERTORY** The Road Home

Stephen Paulus

Tell me where is the road I can call my own, That I left, that I lost, so long ago? All these years I have wandered, Oh when will I know There's a way, there's a road that will lead me home?

After wind, after rain, when the dark is done, As I wake from a dream in the gold of day, Through the air there's a calling from far away, There's a voice I can hear that will lead me home.

Rise up, follow me, come away is the call, With love in your heart as the only song; There is no such beauty as where you belong, Rise up, follow me, I will lead you home.

### \*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 Be Thou My Vision

Hymnal 451

\*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten

J. S. Bach

Childcare - Available for all 3 worship services Infants - Room 120

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

9:30AM - Preschool - Room 9:

February's Theme: "LOVE BUG – Jesus Loves Me!"

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

9:30AM - Kindergarten - 6th Grade - Little Theater:

February's Theme: "ALWAYS OPEN – Service with a smile!"

We start by gathering in one large community to praise God, learn scripture, and sing together. Kids will then break into smaller groups to dive into age appropriate discussion questions and activities. Your kids will not want to miss this fun filled Sunday morning experience!

9:30AM - 7th-12th Grade - 3rd Floor:

February's Theme – **Dilemmas** 

Every day, youth are called to navigate a world full of challenging decisions – from the simple choices about everyday life to the much more serious ethical dilemmas that can make being a teenager a complicated experience. Some of those dilemmas include: What does it mean to be a person with established morals and ethics? How does the commandment to love others affect our lives in a tangible way?

\*Will not meet on 2/17

#### 11:00AM - 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

**Soul Builders** 

#### **Youth Group:**

Join us Sunday evenings in the Little Theater (2nd Floor) from 5:30p.m. - 8:00p.m. for youth grades 7-12 to gather together for dinner, worship, teaching, small groups, and fun. This year we are "Kicking it Old Testament." We will continue to explore the ancestors of our faith by exposing the real, unpolished, and unexpected personalities that God uses to do extraordinary things. Youth will discover the similarities between themselves and the unlikely people God selected.

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**Adult Sunday School** 

9:30 am **Adult Bible Study** Library **FaithWeavers Room 205** Parents with Small Children Parlor 11:00 am Parlor **New Ventures** 

**Room 205** 

# **Invitation to Pray:**

Join

Please pray for the families of those who have recently died: Diann and Phil Bridenbaugh in the death of Diann's mother, Vera Hurd, who died February 10, 2019.

Faith and Rudy Heath in the death of Faith's brother, Allen Bidwell, who died February 10, 2019.

The family of William (Billy) Kiel who died on January 25, 2019. He is the son of the late William and Anita Kiel; and brother to Julie, Betsy, and Michael.

Staff & Their Families: Dana Calhoun and Pam Pilger

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

**Our Church Ministries:** Please pray for the search for a Youth Pastor.

Our Global Ministries: Haiti, Romania and Russia 

## Next Sunday, February 24:

Rev. Dave Weaver continues our sermon series: Walking with God. His sermon, "Jacob" is based on Genesis 32:22-32. Please extend an invitation to a friend, relative, acquaintance or neighbor to join you next Sunday.

## **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 Abraham and Sarah by Rev. Dr. Cathy Johns February 17, 2019 9:30am