

Early Service

Teaching | Responding | Communing

Joy in the Faith | Philippians 1:19-26

19 for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, 20 as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. 21 For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. 22 If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. 23 I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. 24 But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. 25 Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, 26 so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

Personal Reflection Question

Question: What do you think are the similarities and differences between joy and happiness? What do you think it would look like to have more joy in your life? In your church?

Notes

Family Business

This Week

Sunday, March 19

- 4:00 pm to 4:50 pm Bell Choir Practice
- 6:00 pm to 7:40 pm Lenten Prayer and Worship Night

Monday, March 20

- 11:00 am to 12:00 noon Stewardship Committee Meeting / Conference Room 014

Tuesday, March 21

- 10:00 am to 11:00 am Bi-monthly Staff Meeting / Conference Room 014
- 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm Men's Tuesday Night Study Group/Room 015

Wednesday, March 22

- 5:45 pm to 6:45 pm Campus Ministry Committee / Conference Room 014
- 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Adult Pickleball / Gym
- 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm Missouri Philharmonic Rehearsals / North Atrium
- 7:15 pm to 8:00 pm Chancel Rehearsal / Choir Room

Thursday, March 23

- 8:30 am to 1:00 pm Binnie Clements Cinnamon Baking Days / Kitchen/Fellowship Hall
- 11:00 am to 12:00 noon Prayer Team Meeting / Prayer Room

Upcoming

Sunday 3/26

- Sunday March 26 Duruflé Requiem in Liturgical Service

Saturday 4/1

- 2:00 pm Easter Eggstravaganza

Sunday 4/2 Palm Sunday Events

- 8:45 am to 9:45 am Early Service
- 9:45 am to 10:40 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am to 12:00 pm Liturgical Service

Beginning Sunday 4/2 through 4/9, during church services as well as during business hours of the church, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, you are invited to take a contemplative walk through the Garden of Gethsemane in the Encounters with Jesus Prayer Room. View the three prayers prayed by Jesus in the garden and enjoy a small memento to remember His sacrifice. The Encounters with Jesus Prayer Room is located in Room 21.

Thursday 4/6 Maundy Thursday

- 11:00 am to 12:00 pm Prayer Team Meeting / Prayer Room
- 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm International Fellowship Chop Day / Kitchen
- 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service/ Sanctuary

Friday 4/7 Good Friday

- 12:00 pm to 12:30 pm Good Friday Service / Sanctuary

Saturday 4/8

- 10:00 am to 1:00 pm Prep for Easter Breakfast / Kitchen, Fellowship Hall, North Atrium

Saturday 4/9 Easter Sunday

- 9:00 am to 10:00 am Contemporary Easter Service / Sanctuary
- 10:00 am 1:00 pm Easter Breakfast / Fellowship Hall & North Atrium
- 11:00 am to 12:00 pm Traditional Easter Service / Sanctuary

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Journey through Philippians

March 19th, 2023

Liturgical Service

Prelude | Dr. Jim Davidson

***Call to Worship | Mona Casady Niewald**

Leader: Our hearts are ready, O Lord,
our hearts are ready!

**All: We will sing and make melody!
We will awaken the dawn!**

We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples,
we will sing praises to you among the nations.

**For your steadfast love is great above the heavens,
and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.**

***Hymn 45**

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Words: Robert Robinson, 1758, alt.

Music: Traditional American melody; John Wyeth’s Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813

Confession of Sin

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Please take a moment for silent confession.

Hymn 817

Hear Our Prayer

Words: Based on Psalm 143:1; Music: George Whelpton

Declaration of Forgiveness

Hear the good news!
There is no condemnation
for those who are in Christ Jesus.

For the law of the Spirit
of life in Christ Jesus
has set you free from the law of sin and death.
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life has gone;
a new life has begun.
Know that in Jesus,
God embraces you, forgives you,
and strengthens you to live a renewed life.

Thanks be to God.

—based on Romans 8:1; 2 Corinthians 5:17

Hymn 805

Glory Be to the Father

Words: Gloria Patri; Music: Henry Greatorex

Time for Children | Kathy McIntyre

Jesus Loves Me

Oh How I Love Jesus

Scripture Philippians 1:19–26

See Early Service Panel for text

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem | Camerata

Abide in Me

Words: John 15:4, 5

Music: Joseph Roff

Abide in me, and I in you.

Abide in me, and I in you.

As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself,
unless it abides in the vine,
neither can you, unless you abide in me.

I am the vine, you are the branches.

Abide in me, and I in you.

Abide in my, and I in you.

Sermon | Rev. Don Everts

Joy in the Faith

Prayers 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Offering

Feel free to use the offering plates or contact the church for online or direct deposit giving.

Guests, please do not feel obligated.

Offertory | Chancel Choir

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Words: Charles Wesley, 1740

Music: Healey Willan

***Hymn 809**

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Words: Thomas Ken; Music: Genevan Psalter

***Offering Prayer**

***Hymn 20**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Words: Henry Van Dyke, 1907

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the dark of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day!

All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain
call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
well-spring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!

Thou our Father, Christ our Brother—
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

***Benediction & Benediction Response**

Go Now In Peace

Postlude