

Court Street UMC

Dreaming God's Dream

Sunday, May 7th 10:45 a.m.

GATHERING

Gathering Song

#3089 Green book WS "Oh Living God"

WORDS: Ken Bible MUSIC: Ken Bible

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**O living God, I long to see you
Lifted up in all your glory;
To see you there in holy beauty.**

**O Lord, almighty God,
Living Christ, I love you.**

**Oh living God, I long to praise you
Heart and voice, with all creation;
To worship you for tender mercy.**

Oh Lord, almighty God.

Living Christ, I love you.

O living God, I soon will see you

Face to face, in all your glory.

I'll worship you in endless wonder.

Oh Lord, almighty God.

Living Christ, I love you.

The Welcome

*The Opening Hymn

#545 UMH "The Church's One Foundation"

WORDS: Samuel J. Stone MUSIC: Samuel Sebastian Wesley

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**The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation
By water and the word.
From heaven he came and sought her
To be his holy bride;
With his own blood her bought her.
And for her life he died.**

**Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth;
Her charter of Salvation,
One Lord. One faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses.
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.**

**Mid and toil and tribulation.
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore;
Till. With the vision glorious,
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great church victorious
Shall be the church at rest.**

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those who's rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
Like them. The meek and lowly
On High may dwell with thee.

The Opening Prayer

Let us praise our God!

Let us dream mighty dreams!

Let us dream of light for our path!

Let us be light for the world!

Let us praise our God!

Let us dream mighty dreams!

Let us pray...

Holy Spirit, giver of dreams, instill in us your vision and hope for new life. Breathe upon us your peace and strength. Enlighten our minds with your wisdom and truth. Light our way, that we may be a light to the nations. Open our hearts, that we may listen and love. In Jesus' name who taught us to pray saying...

Our father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 Faith

**The Gloria Patri. Page 70 UMH*

WORDS: Charles Meineke MUSIC: Charles Meineke
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**Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost,**

as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

Scripture

The Reading Acts 7:55-60
The Psalter Psalm 31:1-5. 15-16

Sung response #2 at R

R Let all things their creator bless, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

In you. O Lord, I seek refuge;
Let me never be put to shame;
In your righteousness, deliver me!

**Incline your ear to me,
Rescue me speedily!
Be a rock of refuge for me,
A strong fortress to save me!**

You are indeed my rock and my fortress;
For your names sake lead me and guide me;

**Take me out of the net which is hidden for me ,
For you are my refuge.**

R Let all things their creator bless, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Into your hand I commit my spirit;
You have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.
I am the scorn of all my adversaries,
A horror to my neighbors,
An object of dread to my acquaintances;
Those who see me in the street flee from me.

**I have passed out of mind like one who is dead:
I have become like a broken vessel.**

For I hear the whispering of many- terror all around! –
As they scheme together against me,
As they plot my life.

**But I trust in you, O Lord
I say “You are my God.”**

My times are in your hand;
Deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

**Let your face shine on your servant;
Save me through your steadfast love !**

R Let all things their creator bless, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

The Reading of The Epistle 1 Peter 2:2-10

Song of Faith

*The Hymn of response Page #529 UMH "How Firm A Foundation"

WORDS: "K" in Rippon's Selection of Hymns, 1787 MUSIC: Early USA Medley; Tabor, 1866
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**How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he has said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?**

**Fear not, I am with you O be not dismayed,
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen and help you, and cause you to stand
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.**

**When through the deep waters I call you to go,
The rivers of woe shall not you overflow;
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless,
And Sanctify to you, your deepest distress**

**The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no, never forsake.**

***The Gospel Lesson John 14:5-14**

This is the word of God for you who are the people of God!

Thanks Be to God

The Anthem

#2244 People Need the Lord

WORDS: Greg Nelson & Phil McHugh, 2001

MUSIC: Greg Nelson & Phil McHugh, 2001

*Every day they pass me by.
I can see it in their eyes,
Empty people filled with care,
Headed who knows where?*

*On they go through private pain,
Living fear to fear.
Laughter hides their silent cries,
Only Jesus hears.*

*People need the Lord.
People need the Lord.
At the end of broken dreams,
He's the open door.
People need the Lord.
People need the Lord.
When will we realize
People need the Lord.*

*We are called to take his light
To a world where wrong seems right.
What could be too great a cost
For Sharing life with one who's lost.*

*Through God's love our hearts can feel
All the pain they bear.
We must bring those words of life,
Only we can share*

*People need the Lord
People need the Lord.
At the end of broken dreams*

He's the open door.

People need the Lord.

People need the Lord.

When will we realize,

That we must give our lives?

For people need the Lord.

People need the Lord.

The Message "I Can Have Anything?"

*The Hymn

#701 When We all Get To Heaven

WORDS: Eliza E. Hewitt, 1898 MUSIC: Emily D. Wilson, 1898

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**Sing the wondrous love Jesus;
Sing his mercy and his grace.
In the mansions bright and blessed
He'll prepare for us a place**

**When we all get to heaven,
What a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus
We'll sing and shout the victory!**

**While we walk the pilgrim pathway,
Clouds will overspread the sky;
But when traveling days are over,
Not a shadow, not a sigh.**

**When we all get to heaven,
What a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus
We'll sing and shout the victory!**

**Let us then be true and faithful,
Trusting, serving ever day;
Just one glimpse of him in glory
Will the toils of life repay.**

**When we all get to heaven,
What a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus**

We'll sing and shout the victory!

**Onward to the prize before us!
Soon his beauty we'll behold;
Soon the pearly gates will open'
We shall tread the streets of gold!**

**When we all get to heaven,
What a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus
We'll sing and shout the victory!**

The Generosity Story

The Offertory Prayer

The Doxology #95

WORDS: Thomas Ken (1674) MUSIC: Louis Bourgeois (1551)
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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, And Holy Ghost. Amen**

The Closing Hymn

#2282 I'll Fly Away

WORDS: Albert E. Brumley MUSIC: Albert E. Brumley
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**Some glad morning when this life is o'er,
I'll fly away;
To a home on God's celestial shore,
I'll fly away.**

**I'll fly away, o Glory,
I'll fly away.
When I die, hallelujah, bye and bye,
I'll fly away.**

When the shadows of this life have gone,
I'll fly away;
Like a bird, from prison bars has flown,
I'll fly away.

I'll fly away, o Glory,
I'll fly away.
When I die, hallelujah, bye and bye,
I'll fly away.

Just a few more weary days, and then,
I'll fly away;
To a land where joys shall never end,
I'll fly away.

I'll fly away, o Glory,
I'll fly away.
When I die, hallelujah, bye and bye,
I'll fly away.

***The Benediction**

The Postlude

#172 My Jesus I Love Thee

WORDS: William R. Fetherstone (1864) MUSIC: Adoniram J. Gordon (1876)

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