

Good Morning Church!

NORTH BEND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, April 25, 2021

Because God is worthy we worship

**indicates to stand, if able*

GATHERING AND WELCOME

Prelude

Announcements

COVID-19 vaccine clinic: Hamilton County Public Health is now scheduling appointments for a COVID-19 vaccine clinic at Whitewater Crossing Christian Church. The clinic will be May 5th 9 – 11 am. Appointments are required – no walk-ins will be accepted. You can schedule an appointment by calling 513-999-2312 every Monday and Tuesday from 9:00am – 5:00pm or by using the [ArmorVax.com](https://armorvax.com) website or smartphone app.

(Are there any other Announcements?)

COME BEFORE THE LORD

***Call to Worship¹**

Leader: Come, walk with the Lord this day.

People: We seek places of peace and rest from the stresses of our lives.

Leader: The Shepherd will lead you to places where your soul may be restored.

People: We come, sometimes fearful of the hostilities of the world.

Leader: In the midst of all the turmoil, The Shepherd will provide for your needs abundantly.

People: Surely these wonders will heal and restore our spirits. Amen.

***Singing**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

UMH #327

(v. 1&2)

**1. Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne.**

**Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own.**

**Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,**

**and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.**

**2. Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save.**

**His glories now we sing,
who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.**

PRAY UNTO THE LORD

***Praying Together¹**

Thank you, loving God, for bringing us to this time of worship. Refresh us and heal us again. Remind us of the many ways in which you have blessed our lives with your abundant love and your presence. Guide our hearts and our spirits that we may hear your words and our souls may be stirred into active service to your people. In the name of the Good Shepherd, who leads us to life, we pray. Amen.

Joys & Concerns

Silent & Pastoral Prayer

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.

HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Anthem

Reading the Scripture Proverbs 7:1-5 (Good News Translation)

- 7:1 My child, remember what I say and never forget what I tell you to do.
- 2 Do what I say, and you will live. Be as careful to follow my teaching as you are to protect your eyes.
- 3 Keep my teaching with you all the time; write it on your heart.
- 4 Treat wisdom as your sister, and insight as your closest friend.
- 5 They will keep you away from other men's wives, from women with seductive words.

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Proclaiming the Gospel

“Proverbs 7 – Temptation”

RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

***Singing**

Victory in Jesus

UMH # 370 (v. 1)

**1. I heard an old, old story,
how a Savior came from glory,
how he gave his life on Calvary
to save a wretch like me;
I heard about his groaning,
of his precious blood’s atoning,
then I repented of my sins
and won the victory.**

Refrain

**O victory in Jesus,
my Savior forever!
He sought me and bought me
with his redeeming blood;
he loved me ere I knew him,
and all my love is due him;**

**he plunged me to victory
beneath the cleansing flood.**

GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD

***Receiving the Blessing**

Postlude

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