Good Morning!

North Bend Church

a Global Methodist Congregation

Sunday, June 23, 2024 Because God is worthy we worship

GATHERING AND WELCOME

Prelude

Announcements

FREE MARKET EVENT: All families and residents of Miami Township are invited to a Free Market Event this Thursday, June 27, 1-3 p.m., at the TRAM offices at Miami Township Town Hall, 112 S. Miami Avenue, Cleves, Ohio. You can receive free fresh produce as well as free smoke detectors and bicycles. Other resources also are available. For more information, call Miami Township offices, 513-467-3752.

FACEBOOK AND YOUTUBE PAGES: To promote our church, please follow our Facebook page and share our posts. We stream our services live each Sunday, and a recording is available shortly after service. For those without Facebook accounts, you can watch the service on YouTube after Pastor Ed uploads it to our page. You can find the address on the back page of your bulletin.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: Volunteers are needed to support our members and our guests. We need people to:

- mail greeting cards to our members in honor of their birthdays or other special occasions as a reminder of our love and support for them and
- greet visitors to our services and invite them to select items from a visitors' table near our entrances.

If you can help, please talk with Gloria George, 513-509-1944, who has the materials needed to get started.

TRAM: All non-perishable food, personal care and household items are welcome. The location is at the Miami Town Hall, 112 S. Miami Avenue, Cleves. TRAM is always grateful for monetary donations. Mail checks to TRAM Ministry Inc., P.O. Box 389, North Bend, Ohio 45052.

(Are there any other Announcements?)

COME BEFORE THE LORD

*Call to Worship¹

Leader: God's love for us is great!

People: God is like a loving parent, who watches over us.

Leader: God's mercy for us is great!

People: God reaches out to us in healing patience and peace.

Leader: Praise be to God who has called us here.

People: Praise be to God whose love and mercy is given to us. Amen.

*Singing	Marching to Zion	UMH #733
		(v. 1, 2, 3, 4)

1. Come, we that love the Lord,		
and let our joys be known;		
join in a song		
with sweet accord,		
join in a song		
with sweet accord		
and thus surround		
(thus surround the throne,)		
the throne, and thus		
(and thus surround)		

surround the throne. (the throne.)

Refrain:

We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion; we're marching upward to Zion, (Zion, Zion,) the beautiful city of God.

2. Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God; but children of the heavenly King, but children of the heavenly King may speak their joys (speak their joys (speak their joys abroad,) abroad, may speak (may speak their joys) their joys abroad (abroad.)

Refrain:

We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion; we're marching upward to Zion, (Zion, Zion,) the beautiful city of God.

3. The hill of Zion yields a thousand sacred sweets before we reach the heavenly fields, before we reach the heavenly fields, or walk the golden (walk the golden streets, to) streets, or

(walk the)

walk the golden streets.

(golden streets.)

Refrain:

We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion; we're marching upward to Zion, (Zion, Zion,) the beautiful city of God.

4. Then let our songs abound, and every tear be dry; we're marching through Emmanuel's ground, we're marching through Emmanuel's ground, fairer to worlds (fairer worlds on high,) on high, to fairer (to fairer worlds) worlds on high. (on high.)

Refrain:

We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion; we're marching upward to Zion, (Zion, Zion,) the beautiful city of God.

PRAY UNTO THE LORD

*Praying Together¹

Lord, we have come this day, seeking your presence and healing love. Be with us as we hear the words of hope and compassion. Give us courage to learn and grow that we might serve you faithfully all of our days. Amen.

Joys & Concerns Silent & Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer

HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

Anthem

Blessing of Offerings

*Singing Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Reading the Scripture

Colossians 3:12-17 (NIV)

- 3:12 Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.
- 13 Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.
- 14 And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.
- 15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.
- 16 Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude

in your hearts.

17 And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Proclaiming the Gospel

Why Do We Sing?

RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

*Singing

Joy to the World

UMH #246 (v. 1, 2, 3, 4)

1. Joy to the world,	
the Lord is come!	
Let earth receive her King;	
let every heart	
prepare him room,	
and heaven and nature sing,	
(and heaven and nature sing,)	
and heaven and nature sing,	
(and heaven and nature sing,)	

and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

2. Joy to the world, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ; while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains repeat the sounding joy, (repeat the sounding joy,) repeat the sounding joy,) repeat, repeat

the sounding joy.

3. No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground; he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found, (far as the curse is found,) far as the curse is found, (far as the curse is found,) far as, far as the curse is found.

4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness, and wonders of his love, (and wonders of his love,) and wonders of his love,) and wonders of his love,)

GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD

*Receiving the Blessing

Postlude

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