

Good Morning!

North Bend Church
a Global Methodist Congregation

Sunday, June 9, 2024

Because God is worthy we worship

GATHERING AND WELCOME

Prelude

Announcements

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Our “SCUBA Diving into Friendship with God” VBS is less than two weeks away!

- Star 93.3 is joining us for the first day, at 11 a.m. June 19. We’ll also have guests on Thursday and Friday, June 20-21, including the North Bend Fire Department’s Smoke House.
- Anyone who agreed to provide food or supplies is asked to bring them to the church next Sunday, if possible, but no later than Tuesday, June 17. We still need a few items, so please check out the clipboards at each entrance if you can help.
- In addition, please help get the word out by distributing a few flyers in your neighborhood. There’s a stack on the back table.

If you can offer any other assistance, please talk with Lisa Gebhart, 513-203-3587.

FACEBOOK AND YOUTUBE PAGES: To promote our church, please follow our Facebook page and share our posts, including those about our Vacation Bible School. 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: This is the day that the Lord has made!

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: This is a day of new beginnings!

**People: This is a time for growing into new disciples for
Jesus.**

Leader: Come, let us prepare ourselves for worship

People: Let us be prepared for service to God. Amen.

***Singing**

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

UMH #361

(v. 1, 2, 3, 4)

**1. Rock of Ages,
cleft for me,
let me hide
myself in thee;
let the water,
and the blood,
from thy wounded
side which flowed,
be of sin the
double cure;
save from wrath,
and make me pure.**

**2. Not the labors
of my hands
can fulfill
thy law's demands;
could my zeal
no respite know,**

could my tears
forever flow,
all for sin
could not atone;
thou must save,
and thou alone.

3. Nothing in my
hand I bring,
simply to
the cross I cling;
naked, come
to thee for dress;
helpless, look
to thee for grace;
foul, I to
the fountain fly;
wash me, Savior,
or I die.

4. While I draw this
fleeting breath,

**when mine eyes
shall close in death,
when I soar
to worlds unknown,
see thee on
thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages,
cleft for me,
let me hide
myself in thee.**

PRAY UNTO THE LORD

***Praying Together¹**

Lord, we come this day, having seen the miracles of everyday creation in our world. We have enjoyed both the bright sunshine and the gentle rains. We have marveled over the beauty of flowers and the complexity of your creation. Make our hearts ready to receive your word for us, that we may go forth from this place ready to joyfully serve you 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

Psalm 34:1-22 (NIV)

34:1 I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

2 I will glory in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

3 Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.

4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.

- 5 Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame.
- 6 This poor man called, and the LORD heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.
- 7 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them.
- 8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.
- 9 Fear the LORD, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing.
- 10 The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.
- 11 Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
- 12 Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days,
13 keep your tongue from evil and your lips from telling lies.
- 14 Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.
- 15 The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are attentive to their cry;
16 but the face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to blot out their name from the earth.
- 17 The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.

- 18 The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.
- 19 The righteous person may have many troubles, but the LORD delivers him from them all;
- 20 he protects all his bones, not one of them will be broken.
- 21 Evil will slay the wicked; the foes of the righteous will be condemned.
- 22 The LORD will rescue his servants; no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

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

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Proclaiming the Gospel

How Is It With Your Soul?

RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

***Singing**

It Is Well with My Soul

UMH #377

(v. 1, 2, 3, 4)

**1. When peace, like a river,
attendeth my way,
when sorrows
like sea billows roll;**

**whatever my lot,
thou hast taught
me to say,
It is well,
it is well with my soul.**

Refrain:

**It is well (It is well)
with my soul, (with my soul,)
it is well,
it is well with my soul.**

**2. Though Satan
should buffet,
though trials should come,
let this blest
assurance control,
that Christ has regarded
my helpless estate,
and hath shed
his own blood
for my soul.**

Refrain:

It is well (It is well)
with my soul, (with my soul,)
it is well,
it is well with my soul.

**3. My sin, oh, the bliss
of this glorious thought!**

**My sin, not in part
but the whole,
is nailed to the cross,
and I bear it no more,
praise the Lord,
praise the Lord,
O my soul!**

Refrain:

It is well (It is well)
with my soul, (with my soul,)
it is well,
it is well with my soul.

4. And, Lord, haste the day

**when my faith
shall be sight,
the clouds be
rolled back as a scroll;
the trump shall resound,
and the Lord shall descend,
even so,
it is well
with my soul.**

Refrain:

**It is well (It is well)
with my soul, (with my soul,)
it is well,
it is well with my soul.**

GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD

***Receiving the Blessing**

Postlude

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