

OLD UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 8, 2024, 11:00 AM

PRELUDE (Time for preparation)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 68:32-354

*HYMN "How Can I Keep from Singing?" HS #19

*CONFESSION OF SIN: "We have closed our spirits from your Spirit, O God. We refuse to be moved by your working in our hearts, as we stubbornly continue with our own plans and ways. Forgive us, O Lord. We have hardened our hearts against one another other, convinced that our needs and priorities matter more than anyone else's. Forgive us, O Lord. Our pride and our selfishness have given us spirits and hearts that are hard as stone. Redeem us, O Lord. Through the saving work of Jesus Christ, soften our lives so that we can respond joyfully and eagerly as you call us. Amen."

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Ezekiel 36:26-29

*GLORIA PATRI (Song of Praise) #622

OLD TESTAMENT (Unison): Isaiah 40:6-11

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Matthew 10:5-20

CHILDREN'S TIME

*HYMN "He Leadeth Me" #461

MISSION TRIP PRESENTATION

*HYMN "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go" #444

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (back cover of hymnal)

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY (Song of Dedication) #624

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*APOSTLES CREED (back cover of hymnal)

*BENEDICTION (Closing Blessing) Psalm 54:4
(Response: "...And build each other up.")

*CLOSING SONG "Only Believe" #420

(*) If you are able, please stand.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning's worship will feature a presentation about our July mission trip to Buckhorn, Kentucky.

Jill M. will lead this morning's Scripture readings.

The Nominating Committee will meet after worship today.

Choir practice begins this evening at 7:00.

Next Sunday's Adult Study will focus on creative ways to pray the Lord's Prayer. Join us at 10:00 in the conference room.

Plan to join us for a fellowship dinner after worship next week! If you are able, please bring a dish to share.

Sign up in the lobby if you'd like to attend a safety workshop for seniors.

Speak with the pastor if you'd like to be part of our church's new security team.

We are collecting donations to provide clean-up buckets for disaster survivors, through Church World Service. The cost is \$75 per bucket. Please mark your contribution "Clean-up Bucket."

On Friday October 4 we will make apple dumplings and pies for the Mars Applefest the next day. Please sign up in the lobby to lend a hand or to donate supplies.

Old Union is a donation location for "Bundle Up Butler," which provides winter coats for children and adults in need. Please drop off your donations of new or gently used coats in the lobby. We are receiving donations until October 7.

The Evan City Food Cupboard is collecting cleaning supplies for September.

It's apple dumpling time! We will be making them on Fri, Oct. 4. Please sign up in the lobby to donate needed ingredients, and/or to help on Fri., or on Sat., Oct. 5, at the Applefest booth. Monetary donations can be given to Lorene W. or Julie M.

Special Prayers of Concern:

Louise S.
Josh K.
Maggie D.
Ed & Jeanne C.
Gloria U.
Dick C.
Logan R.
Betty L.
Dolly K.
Joan T.
Howard B.
Midge M.
Josh H.

Mission Co-Workers

Jed & Jenny Koball, Peru

Military:

Jeremy H.
Matthew David M.
Justin T.
Scott F.
Glen P.
Will B.
Jacob H.
Christian C.
Ryan W.
Hunter M.
Christopher H.
Arthur B.
Kevin E.
Danner C.
Daniel B.
Spencer K.
Luke O.
Addison D.
Colton V.