



Living in Wonder and Trust
Paul's Letter to the Ephesians
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PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: For cool mornings and rumbling afternoon storms, for amazing days and even more ordinary evenings, for deep friendships and shallow wading pools:

All: we give thanks to God!

Leader: For the laughing God who tickles us with joy,
for the broken-hearted Love who joins in our struggles:

All: we give thanks to God at all times!

Leader: For the Bread of heaven who feeds us hope,
for the Spirit of grace who teaches us to dance:

All: we give thanks to God at all times and for everything!

OPENING HYMN

We Are Marching

TFWS #2235b

Verse 1

We are marching in the light of God
We are marching in the light of God
We are marching in the light of God
We are marching in the light of God
We are marching O-oh
We are marching in the light of God
We are marching O-oh
We are marching in the light of God

Verse 2

We are singing in the love...

Verse 3

We are living in the will...

OPENING PRAYER

We long to worship in high-vaulted cathedrals, our songs and prayers echoing the deep sighs of the saints cradled in the stone.

Yet you, unpredictable Creator, you compose a canticle with the gentle drops of rain on a tin-roofed shelter.

We long to worship beside the high and famous, rubbing shoulders with those clothed in power, wealth, renown.

But you, quirky Redeemer, you we find sitting at the gutter, huddling in the shadowed doorway, curled up on a sidewalk grate with your long-lost kin. We long to worship with drums pounding and the amps turned up so high our hearts tremble.

And you, fanciful Spirit, you would draw us into that still, silent, sacred space called peace.

We long to worship you, God in Community, Holy in One.

THE BASKET

UNISON PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

We try to be so careful, Faithful God, yet we make so many mistakes. We think we are so wise, yet do not understand the simple wonder of a child. We spend so little time in your presence, and ask why we do not know your dreams for us. We long to be good, upright people, but find our hearts tripping over the temptations of the world.

Have mercy, Covenant Keeper, and be gracious to us. As you continue to teach us of your hopes, your dreams, your love for us, may we practice what we learn, as we follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in faith.

Silence is kept

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Out of our lives laced with foolish mistakes and unwise choices, God is able to weave a tapestry of grace, forgiveness, and healing.

ALL: God has sent redemption for all, God has fed us with the healing bread of life. At all times, and for every grace, we give thanks to God in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 5:15-20

Be intentional about how you live; don't settle for easy foolishness; practice wisdom. Use your time wisely, for this time needs it. Don't be oblivious: try to discern God's will. Don't fill yourself up with whatever makes you feel good; that cheapens your life. Instead, open yourself to be filled with the Spirit.

Let your life be a psalm, a hymn, a love song to God. Make harmony in it with others. And with every breath give thanks to God the Life-Giver; give thanks for everything in the name of the Beloved, Jesus Christ.

MESSAGE

Let Your Life Sing

HYMN

Sing of the Lord's Goodness

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PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

The 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.

WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING

OFFERTORY

How Shall I Come Before the Lord

**How shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself with heart out poured?
And shall I come with offerings?
What shall I give? What shall I bring?**

**Will finest gifts bring God's delight?
Will wealth bring favor in God's sight?
What must we be? What must we do?
What does the Lord require of you?**

Doxology

***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.***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

With money, time, and talents, we say, thank you, thank you, thank you, God; with heart and voice we sing, thank you, thank you, thank you God. Shape us with your Spirit, that we may give thanks to you in every part of our life, through Christ our Savior. Amen.

**Let justice shine in all your ways.
Let loving-kindness rule your day,
that, as this earthly path you trod,
you shall walk humbly with your God.**

*** CLOSING HYMN**

Shine Jesus Shine

TFWS #2173

Verse 1

Lord the light of Your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining
Jesus Light of the world shine upon us
Set us free by the truth You now bring us
Shine on me shine on me

Chorus

*Shine Jesus shine, fill this land
With the Father's glory. Blaze Spirit blaze,
Set our hearts on fire. Flow, river flow
Flood the nations, with grace and mercy.
Send forth Your word Lord,
And let there be light.*

Verse 2

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence
From the shadows into Your radiance
By the blood I may enter Your brightness
Search me try me consume all my darkness
Shine on me shine on me

Chorus

Verse 3
As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So, our faces display Your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story
Shine on me shine on me

BLESSING FOR THE JOURNEY

POSTLUDE

TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

**Please join us as we continue our worship
with food and conversation in fellowship hall**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS August, 2024

CALENDAR OF EVENTS August 19th ~ August 25th

Monday August 19th

AA mtg @ 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall (Room 8)

Tuesday August 20th

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Wednesday August 21st

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Bible Study @ 12pm Fierce, BYOLunch

Grace Café @ 6:30pm BYO Dinner

Friday August 23rd

Prayer and Devotion @ 7am on Facebook

Sunday August 25th

Worship with Baptism @ 10am

RUMMAGE SALE COLLECTION



Collection for the Rummage Sale, continues through
September 21st 2024.

We are accepting: clothing, household items, home decor, small appliances, jewelry, hats, scarves, pocket-books, toys, sporting goods, holiday decor, yarn, handheld tools, antiques, Lenox, baby items, puzzles, games.

We are **NOT** collecting: Electronics, Furniture, Books (only Children's books allowed), Stuffed Animals. Thank you!

DONATIONS OF **CLOTHING** CAN BE DROPPED OFF IN THE **CHOIR ROOM OR CENTER TABLE** in the **CHAPEL/LOUNGE**. **HOUSEHOLD ITEMS** CAN BE DROPPED OFF IN THE **FRENCH CHAPEL**. Church office hours are Tuesday-Thursday 10-3 and we can help you carry in your donations.



Silent Auction Dinner

When: October 19th 6-10pm

Where: The Village Inn, Wayne NJ

\$100 per person includes a 4 course, sit down dinner and entertainment by Jes Paul Jr.

To reserve your seat, you can scan the code above or mail a check to: 99 Parish Drive, Wayne NJ. Please indicate how many seats you are purchasing. There are no paper tickets, we will have listed names at check-in. Please bring check or cash for silent auction items.

So many great auction items! Including: Attorney services, Ladies Trek Bicycle, and Children's book collection!

Make all checks payable to UMC in Wayne, please write, "Dinner" in memo.

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