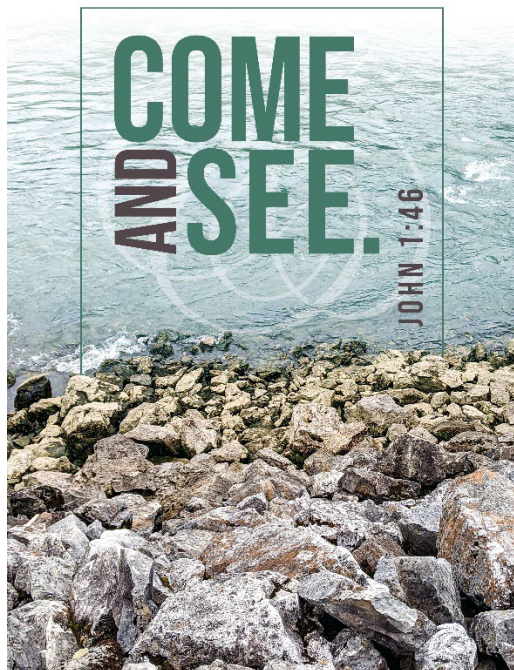


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Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare
love with thy children thus to share.

Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Author & Composer: Clara H. Scott (1895)

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 139:1-6 (NRSV)

- ¹ O Lord, you have searched me and known me.
- ² You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.
- ³ You search out my path and my lying down
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- ⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue,
O Lord, you know it completely.
- ⁵ You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.
- ⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain it.

The Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

TIME SINGING OUR FAVORITE HYMNS—8:20am

TIME WITH CHILDREN—9:40am

Dianna Sheely

HYMN

To God Be the Glory
#98 refrain only

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Words: Fanny J. Crosby (1875)
Composer: William H. Doane (1875)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

From Discipleship Ministries and Ruth Card Duck

Eternal God,
Lover of our souls, we come to you this morning
hungering for something from you that will change
the rest of our lives. We come hungering for honesty
instead of corruption; for generosity instead of greed;
we come hungering for integrity instead of intrigue.
We come hungering for our neighbors to be fed and
for all to have enough honest work to provide for the
basic needs of their families. We come this morning
hungering for righteousness to flow like rainwater and
for the justice like an ever-flowing stream described
by the prophets.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

By Nancy C. Townley

Leader: Come joyfully before the Lord!
People: God knows us and loves us!
Leader: Come prayerfully before the Lord!
People: God sees our concerns, our fears, our sins!
Leader: Come hopefully before the Lord!
**People: Christ proclaimed God's love and
forgiveness for all people!**

*HYMN

Open My Eyes, that I May See
#454

Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wavenotes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

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We come hungering and we come listening for your words to us, describing how we can participate in your great work of re-creation. We come listening for ways that we can become part of the solution and not part of the problem. We come listening in fear and trembling, praying that we will have the courage to respond and act if we hear a clear word of instruction from you.

O God, you have empowered the faithful of past ages to preach and to heal. We pray that you would be known among us in power as well, bestowing your gifts, that we might carry out your mission in unity and in peace;

Hear now the silent prayers of our hearts: (Silence)
Jesus would invite us now to “come and see” praying:
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

HYMN

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GIVING

*RESPONSE

#95, UMH

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.

SCRIPTURE

John 1:43-51 (NRSV)

⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” ⁴⁶ Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael

coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” ⁴⁸ Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” ⁴⁹ Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” ⁵⁰ Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” ⁵¹ And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

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MESSAGE

Invitation

Rev. David W. Brown

*HYMN

Have Thine Own Way, Lord
#382

Have thine own way, Lord!
Have thine own way!
Thou art the potter; I am the clay.
Mold me and make me after thy will,
while I am waiting, yielded and still.

Have thine own way, Lord!
Have thine own way!
Search me and try me, Savior today!
Wash me just now, Lord, wash me just now,
as in thy presence humbly I bow.

Have thine own way, Lord!
Have thine own way!
Wounded and weary, help me I pray!
Power, all power, surely is thine!
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

Have thine own way, Lord!
Have thine own way!
Hold o'er my being absolute sway.
Fill with thy Spirit till all shall see
Christ only, always, living in me!

Author: Adelaide A. Pollard (1902)
Composer: George C. Stebbins (1907)

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BENEDICTION

By Nancy C. Townley

Go into God's world, aware of God's call in your life. Follow our Lord Jesus Christ who will lead you in paths of service and hope. Lean on the power of the Holy Spirit to give you courage and strength. May peace, joy and love flow through you to others, in God's name. AMEN.

**Stand as you are able*

Liturgist at 8:20 – Greg Bailie

Liturgist at 9:40 – Beth Eberle



Gather for coffee and treats in the Atrium following the 9:40 service!

REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE



ONLINE GIVING



Youth Confirmation (grades 7-12) will be **Sunday evenings starting January 14 and going for 9 weeks through March 10.** We will meet in the Atrium from 6:30-8:00 for dinner, activities, and a lesson. *Even if your student has already experienced Confirmation, they can still attend.* Following classes, students can become members of Armstrong Chapel. To register for Confirmation or if you have any questions, contact Pastor Sara at soconnor@armstrongchapel.org



YOUNG COUPLES' SMALL GROUP

Sundays through March 17
10:45-11:30am in the Armstrong Room
Prayer, Scripture, and Encouragement



Disciples! Bold. Brave. Fearless.

Saturday Breakfast

January 20

8:00-9:30am in the Atrium

Start off the new year by getting to know each other better. Come pray together, laugh together, and share! No Cost.



All-Church Skating Party!

Sunday, January 28
4:30-6:30pm
Castle Skateland in Loveland

\$10 donation per family for Admission, Pizza & Drinks
\$3 per person for skate rental

Wear your most unique winter-themed outfit!

INVITE FAMILY & FRIENDS

Sponsored by Children & Family Ministries

Please join IPM Food Pantry for a Ceremony of Blessings presented by our four founding churches.

Armstrong Chapel | Indian Hill Church
St. Timothy Episcopal Church | St. Thomas Episcopal Church

Sunday, February 4, 2024

1:00-3:00 p.m.

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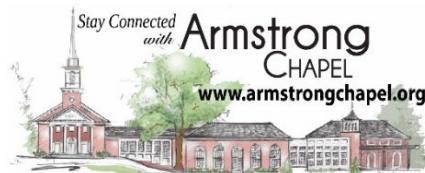
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Light refreshments provided

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