

Armstrong Chapel Worship Resource—May 31, 2026



We believe in Jesus Christ,
Son of God and Mary's Son,
who descended from his throne
and for us salvation won;
by whose cross and death are we
rescued from sin's misery.

We confess the Holy Ghost,
who from both fore'er proceeds;
who upholds and comforts us
in all trials, fears, and needs.

Blest and Holy Trinity,
praise forever be to thee!

Author: Tobias Clausnitzer (1668)
Translator: Catherine Winkworth (1863)
Music: William H. Havergal (1861)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

adapted from the Athanasian Creed

**O Lord, our Sovereign God,
You are neither made nor fashioned by anyone.
Wonderful beyond measure,
You are faithful Creator, servant Son,
and enlivening Spirit.
Holy Lord, beautiful and dynamic,
Intimately united as a society of love,
You are our Creator and cause,
You are our perfect Savior,
You are our Intercessor and giver of spiritual gifts.
The Lord of all has called us forth;
Our Triune God has made us good.
Hallelujah, bless the Lord.
Hallelujah, praise God's holy name!**

SCRIPTURE

John 1 selected verses (CEB)

¹ In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God.

³ Everything came into being through the Word, and without the Word nothing came into being. What came into being ⁴ through the Word was life, and the life was the light for all people. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness doesn't extinguish the light."

¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his home among us. We have seen his glory, glory like that of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

¹⁶ From his fullness we have all received grace upon grace; ¹⁷ as the Law was given through Moses, so grace and truth came into being through Jesus Christ.

¹⁸ No one has ever seen God. God the only Son, who is at the Father's side, has made God known.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Based Psalm 8

Leader: The Lord is majestic and sovereign over all the earth!

People: **The glory of God is above the heavens!**

Leader: Out of the mouths of babes and infants
You have founded a bulwark because of
your foes.

People: **A secure and safe place is God!**

Leader: When we look to the heavens, the work of
your fingers, the moon and the stars that
you have established; What are human
beings that you are mindful of us?

People: **O Lord, our Sovereign God, how majestic is
your name in all the earth!**

*HYMN

We Believe in One True God
#85 UMH

We believe in one true God,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
ever present help in need,
praised by all the heavenly host;
by whose mighty power alone
all is made and wrought and done.

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

We are children, beloved and blessed. Hear us as we pray saying:

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.

TIME SINGING OUR FAVORITE HYMNS—8:20am

TIME WITH CHILDREN—9:40am

CELEBRATION OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM—9:40am



Anabella Bogart Gauss
Child of Marcello & Jennifer Gauss

ALL: With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that this child, may be surrounded in steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal. Amen.

HYMN *Glory Be to the Father*
#70 UMH

Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen

Words: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.
Music: Charles Meineke (1844)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Adapted from writings by Eileen Klassen Hamm
(inspired by John 3:1-17)

Blow, wind of God,
Blow away the tight rules that hold us back from
trusting, risking, loving.
Blow away all sin that stands in the way of
encountering neighbors or stranger as anything less
than family.
Ready us for new birth.
Prepare us for risk and service in Your kingdom.
Equip us with courage and vision for the new thing
that waits where You lead.

Receive now the silent prayers of our hearts:
(Silent prayers)

***PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**
Offer the peace of Christ by saying:
The peace of Christ be with you.
Respond: And also with you!

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GIVING
OFFERTORY
***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 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 (NIV)

¹¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice!
Strive for full restoration,
encourage one another,
be of one mind,
live in peace.

And the God of love and peace will be with you.

¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss.

¹³ All God's people here send their greetings.

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Thanks Be to God.

MESSAGE *The Mark of a True Believer*
Rev. David W. Brown

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*HYMN

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

#611 UMH

Child of blessing, child of promise,
baptized with the Spirit's sign;
with this water God has sealed you
unto love and grace divine.

Child of love, our love's expression,
Love's creation, loved indeed!
Fresh from God, refresh our spirits,
into joy and laughter lead.

Child of joy, our dearest treasure,
God's you are, from God you came.
Back to God we humbly give you,
Live as one who bears Christ's name.

Child of God your loving Parent,
learn to know whose child you are.
Grow to laugh and sing and worship,
Trust and love God more than all.

Text: Ronald S. Cole-Turner

Music: Attr. To C.F. Witt, 1715; adapt by Henry J Gauntlett, 1861

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Liturgist at 8:20 – Mark Paluta

Liturgist at 9:40 – Rhonda Kinosian

Greeters at 9:40 – Martha and Gary Steier and Jim Pearce

Special Guests at 9:40 – Roebling Brass Collective

Aaron Boyle Jon Wiseman Natalie Sweasy

Lou Setzer Andrew Jones



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

**REGISTER YOUR
ATTENDANCE**



**ONLINE
GIVING**



BENEDICTION

based on John 3:16-17

Just as God's Word was sent into the world
to heal and redeem,
so God sends you into the world this day
to be light and love, healing and hope.
Go now to be light for the world!
And may the grace and peace of God the Creator,
the Redeemer, and the Sustainer
come upon you this day
and remain with you always. Amen.

POSTLUDE

**Stand in body or in spirit*



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—OUTREACH— IPM Summer Picnic

Volunteers needed on Monday, June 1 from 9:15am-12:15pm at IPM to grill and prepare bagged picnic lunches.

Our mission partner Inter Parish Ministry (IPM) in the Eastgate area is once again celebrating summer with drive-thru picnics. Guests will be provided with a hot meal that includes a hot dog or hamburger, chips, cookie, and fruit.

Call or text Jane Florer to volunteer
513-257-5844

VBS Prep!

We have over 180 wonderful kids signed up and want to ensure they have a wonderful experience here at Armstrong Chapel. Part of that is creating a fun, inviting space – a trip to the rainforest! That’s where you come in! Take a look at the slots available to come in and help create and setup for this fantastic week. There is a space for everyone – from collating needed materials to painting and crafting set design! You do not need to stay the entire time slot – come when you are available. Meet in the Children’s Center.
<https://bit.ly/4wR6wgj>



Armstrong PRESCHOOL

A Ministry of Armstrong Chapel

Armstrong Preschool still has spots available for the 2026-2027 school year!

If you or someone you know is looking for a preschool, please email Amy at avoss@armstrongchapel.org.



4th of July

Outdoor Concert

River’s Edge Brass Band
Saturday, July 4 @ 2pm

on the lawn off the main parking lot

7th Annual
Golf SCRAMBLE

REGISTRATION OPEN

REGISTER ONLINE
or Scan the QR code



FRIDAY JULY 10 | SHOTGUN START **9:00 AM**
HAMILTON ELKS GOLF CLUB

HOLE AND EVENT SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

Benefitting Inter Parish Ministry, Freestore Foodbank, and the Madisonville Braves



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Disciples | Bold | Brave | Fearless.

Saturday BREAKFAST

JUNE 20

JOIN FOR A morning filled with good food, fellowship, and genuine camaraderie.

in the Armstrong Room
8:00 - 9:30 am

Women UNITED

Monthly Luncheon

JUNE 10

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Share in a lunch filled with laughter, fellowship, and joy.

National Exemplar
6880 Wooster Pike