

CENTENNIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AT IVY

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LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS CENTERING MOMENT:

"A field is empty, but if you put in the effort to grow something then you will have a garden. And that's life. Give something, something will come back. Give nothing, nothing will come back. To grow a flower is a miracle: it means you can grow more. Remember that a flower is not just a flower, it is the start of a whole garden." -Eddie Jaku in "The Happiest Man on Earth"

CALL TO WORSHIP:

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it;

For God has founded it on the seas & established it on the rivers.

We lift up our heads to see the glory of God;

The King of Glory joins us here.

Our God is great & worth a thousand hallelujahs!

O Lord, how majestic is Your name!

We bring our gifts before our Resurrected Lord:

We offer our lives before the beauty of our Creator.

Amen!

HYMN #97 "For the Fruits of This Creation"

For the fruits of this creation, thanks be to God; For good gifts to every nation, thanks be to God; For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,

Future needs in earth's safe keeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor, God's will is done; In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done; In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing.

In the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God; For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God; For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,

Most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

PRAYER CONCERNS/PASTORAL/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.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: Jonathan Freel

HYMN SING

#64 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" v. 1 & 4

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

SCRIPTURE: Philippians 4:1-23

Therefore, my brothers and sisters whom I love and miss, who are my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord.

Loved ones, **2** I urge Euodia, and I urge Syntyche to come to an agreement in the Lord. **3** Yes, and I'm also asking you, loyal friend, to help these women who have struggled together with me in the ministry of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my coworkers whose names are in the scroll of life.

4 Be glad in the Lord always! Again, I say, be glad! **5** Let your gentleness show in your treatment of all people. The Lord is near. **6** Don't be anxious about anything; rather, bring up all of your requests to God in your prayers and petitions, along with giving thanks. **7** Then the peace of God that exceeds all understanding will keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus.

8 From now on, brothers and sisters, if anything is excellent and if anything is admirable, focus your thoughts on these things: all that is true, all that is holy, all that is just, all that is pure, all that is lovely, and all that is worthy of praise. **9** Practice these things: whatever you learned, received, heard, or saw in us. The God of peace will be with you.

10 I was very glad in the Lord because now at last you have shown concern for me again. (Of course, you were always concerned but had no way to show it.)

11 I'm not saying this because I need anything, for I have learned how to be content in any circumstance.

12 I know the experience of being in need and of having more than enough; I have learned the secret to being content in any and every circumstance, whether full or hungry or whether having plenty or being poor.

13 I can endure all these things through the power of the one who gives me strength. 14 Still, you have done well to share my distress.

15 You Philippians know from the time of my first mission work in Macedonia how no church shared in supporting my ministry except you. 16 You sent contributions repeatedly to take care of my needs even while I was in Thessalonica. 17 I'm not hoping for a gift, but I am hoping for a profit that accumulates in your account. 18 I now have plenty and it is more than enough. I am full to overflowing because I received the gifts that you sent from Epaphroditus. Those gifts give off a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice that pleases God. 19 My God will meet your every need out of his riches in the glory that is found in Christ Jesus. 20 Let glory be given to God our Father forever and always. Amen. 21 Greet all God's people in Christ Jesus. The brothers and sisters with me send you, their greeting. 22 All God's people here, especially those in Caesar's household, send you, their greeting. 23 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirits.

This is the gospel of Jesus Christ All Praise to the Living Word!

HYMN #394 "Something Beautiful"

Something beautiful, Something good; All my confusion He understood:

All I had to offer him was brokenness and strife, But he made something beautiful of my life.

Lord, help me, help us be grateful for what we have, remember that we don't need most of what we want, and that joy is found in simplicity and generosity.

Amen.

MESSAGE: More than Enough to Trust

OFFERING

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS Doxology UMH #95

OFFERTORY PRAYER

GIVING THANKS FOR SERVICE

HYMN #389 "Freely, Freely"

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name, I've been born again in Jesus' name.

And in Jesus' name I come to you, to share his love as he told me to.

He said, "Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give. Go in my name, and because you believe, others will know that I live."

All power is given in Jesus' name, in earth and heaven in Jesus' name,

And in Jesus' name I come to you, to share his power as he told me to

He said, "Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give. Go in my name, and because you believe, others will know that I live."

BENEDICTION

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE SONG #2184 "SENT OUT IN JESUS' NAME"

Sent out in Jesus' name Our hands are ready now To make the earth the place In which the kingdom comes

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The angels cannot change
A world of hurt and pain
Into a world of love, of justice and of peace.
The task is ours to do to set it really free.
O help us to obey and carry out Your will!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FELLOWSHIP TIME

Please sign up to serve at fellowship time! You can sign up on the whiteboard in the fellowship hall

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Join us every Wednesday night for dinner, study, and worship from 5:30-7:30pm!

STEWARDSHIP BREAKFAST

Join us on Sunday, Oct. 31st at 9:00am for a delicious breakfast to celebrate our church's generosity & stewardship!

TRUNK OR TREAT

Celebrate Halloween with us from 5:30-6:30pm on October 31st for Trunk or Treat in our parking lot! Dress up & bring your neighbors for a night of fun & candy!

With Love, Pastor Dani