



CENTENNIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AT IVY

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Sunday, September 20, 2020

The Serenity Prayer

Helping us find calm & courage in an anxious world

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- For those worshipping online, you can find our bulletin on our website ivycentennial.org.

CENTERING MOMENT:

“The things, good Lord, that we pray for, give us the grace to labor for.” -Thomas More
#409 United Methodist Hymnal

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Here in this place, the worriers and wanderers can call on God by name:

For God welcomes all the dreamers, as well as the doubters.

Here, those who grieve and those who celebrate can call on God by name.

For God welcomes the broken-hearted, as well as the healed.

Here, the daring and the timid can call on God by name:

For God welcomes the fearlessly outspoken as well as the courageously quiet.

Here in this place, you can call on God by name:

For God has called all of us to the work of abundant love and to the work of worship!

Amen.

HYMN #454 “Open My Eyes, That I May See”

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 wave notes 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!

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!

PRAYER CONCERNS/PATORAL/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

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Matthew 14:22-33

HYMN: #408 “The Gift of Love”

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain,
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship, and are freed.

MESSAGE: I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

OFFERING

***Prayer by St. Francis of Assisi**

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace;

Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where
there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith; where there is
despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light; and where there
is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much
seek to be consoled as to console; to be
understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to
love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in
pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in
dying that we are born to eternal life.

HYMN #2153 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, any time!
I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, any time!

I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, any time!
I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, any time!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, any time!
I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, any time!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, any time!
I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere,
Lord, any time!

BENEDICTION

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE SONG:

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Check out ivycentennial.org to stay updated and find all the necessary links for worship. If you have any questions, concerns, or prayer requests, please email Pastor Dani at pastordanim@gmail.com or call/text her at 515-447-0497

WOW:

Worship on Wednesday will return again on September 23rd, the week after Rally Day. We are still determining what WOW will look like during the pandemic, perhaps worshipping outdoors without sharing a meal together. We will inform everyone as soon as possible what the plans are so you can safely join us on Wednesday evenings this fall. Please be sure to check the church website, our Facebook page, and your personal email for more information soon.

With love & gratitude, Pastor Dani