



October 8 Newsletter

Church Family:

Last Sunday an out-of-state visitor expressed how much she appreciated the music and message flowing in a way that pointed to our God. She sensed the worship of our Lord as we sang and enjoyed hearing people in the congregation join in with the choir special. (Choir members who cannot be on stage because of social spacing are singing from the pew—feel free to join in!) As a musician, I am grateful to be part of a church where I can see people worshipping our Lord and Savior in both the music and message. I know it's a different experience as we're not all together in the sanctuary, but God is not hampered by numbers or social distancing when He is among us and in our hearts!

These are challenging times for musicians. It will be a long time before we are able to fill up the choir loft, and it is difficult to sing standing far apart on stage. It's hard to choose music that will work, and hard to plan for things like Christmas. In "normal" times we would have purchased a prepared Christmas cantata and be in full practice by now, with an extra-full choir to help celebrate the birth of our Lord and a full church ready to enjoy our efforts. That won't happen this year. For December 2020 we will have "mini cantatas" spread over three Sundays. We plan to have small groups singing, instrumental music, drama, narration and solos during the first part of our morning worship services. These will be based on three themes of hope our Pastor has suggested. We will celebrate as we come together, knowing the limitations the year has put on us, and the hardships many of us have had, but knowing even more that nothing can stop the worship of God!

As we plan for the Christmas season, I will need more help. As you know from the past, we need narrators, actors, people who can sew/repair costumes and others who can put together Biblical outfits. We could use people who can "stage" the stage. We need more than musicians helping us celebrate the hope we have in Christ! Please contact me if you are able to help or want to hear more about what is needed. I need to hear from you this month so we can fully prepare! Whether you are a new member or one who has helped in the past, please let me know if you can help this year.

Above all else, we need your prayers. It will be a challenge to put together. We need prayers for wisdom in selecting songs, narration, drama. We need prayers for health, both physically and spiritually. We need prayers for unity in an increasingly divisive world, so we will stand out as examples of Christian love and grace with a bright hope for tomorrow!

Kathleen Gambrell, Worship Leader

Sunday's Worship Guide

All Things New
"By The Blood Of The Lamb"; Revelation 12-13

- I. Satan's Defeat Declared (12:1-6)
- II. Satan's Accusations Quieted (12:7-17)
- III. Satan's Authority Removed (13:1-10)
- IV. Satan's Schemes Thwarted (13:11-18)

Announcements



Sunday, November 15, is the deadline for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. It is easy! Just start with a normal size shoebox, decide if you want to pack for a girl or boy, fill with toys, hygiene items or school supplies, include a check for \$9 to cover the shipping and pray for the child receiving your gift.

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

9:00 AM: Drive-in Service
Sunday School

10:30 AM: Sanctuary Service
Sunday School

5:00 PM: Choir Practice

No Evening Service

Tuesdays

7:00 AM: Men's Breakfast (Flapjack's)

6:00 PM: Celebrate Recovery

Wednesdays

10:00 AM: Prayer Meeting

Thursdays

10:00 AM: Faith Sunday School

Upcoming Schedule

Monday, October 12

4:30 PM: Missions Meeting in Rm 102

Tuesday, October 13

10:00 AM: Assemble OCC Shoeboxes (FH)

Friday, October 16

6:00 PM: Family Fun Night

Wednesday, October 28

6:00 PM: Church Conference

Friday, October 30

6:00 PM: Fall Festival (Trunk or Treat)

Tuesday, November 3

Election Day

2021 Calendars

The WeeSchool is selling 2021 Calendars for \$7.00. They can be picked up from the school between 9 and noon.

Trunk or Treat! Friday, October 30 6-9 PM



Volunteers and **500 pounds** of candy needed. Call the church office to sign up!

Whom Shall I Fear God Of Angel Armies**Verse 1**

You hear me when I call
 You are my morning song
 Though darkness fills the night
 It cannot hide the light
 Whom shall I fear

Verse 2

You crush the enemy underneath my feet
 You are my sword and shield
 Though troubles linger still
 Whom shall I fear

Chorus

I know Who goes before me
 I know Who stands behind
 The God of angel armies is always by my side
 The One who reigns forever
 He is a friend of mine
 The God of angel armies is always by my side

Verse 3

My strength is in Your name
 For You alone can save
 You will deliver me
 Yours is the victory
 Whom shall I fear
 Whom shall I fear

Chorus

I know Who goes before me
 I know Who stands behind
 The God of angel armies is always by my side
 The One who reigns forever
 He is a friend of mine
 The God of angel armies is always by my side

Bridge

And nothing formed against me shall stand
 You hold the whole world in Your hands
 I'm holding on to Your promises
 You are faithful
 You are faithful

Bridge 2

Nothing formed against me shall stand
 You hold the whole world in Your hands
 I'm holding on to Your promises
 You are faithful
 You are faithful
 You are faithful

Chorus

I know Who goes before me
 I know Who stands behind
 The God of angel armies is always by my side
 The One who reigns forever
 He is a friend of mine
 The God of angel armies is always by my side

Chorus

I know Who goes before me
 I know Who stands behind
 The God of angel armies is always by my side
 The One who reigns forever
 He is a friend of mine
 The God of angel armies is always by my side

Ending

The God of angel armies is always by my side

Great Is Thy Faithfulness**Chorus**

Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness
 Morning by morning new mercies I see
 All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
 Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me

Verse 3

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
 Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide
 Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
 Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside

Chorus

Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness
 Morning by morning new mercies I see
 All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
 Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me

Nothing But The Blood (Matt Redman)**Verse 1**

Your blood speaks a better word
 Than all the empty claims
 I've heard upon this earth
 Speaks righteousness for me
 And stands in my defense Jesus it's Your blood

Chorus

What can wash away our sins
 What can make us whole again
 Nothing but the blood nothing but the blood of Jesus
 What can wash us pure as snow
 Welcomed as the friends of God
 Nothing but Your blood nothing but Your blood
 King Jesus

Verse 2

Your cross testifies in grace
 Tells of the Father's heart
 To make a way for us
 Now boldly we approach
 Not earthly confidence it's only by Your blood

Chorus (2 times)

What can wash away our sins
 What can make us whole again
 Nothing but the blood nothing but the blood of Jesus
 What can wash us pure as snow
 Welcomed as the friends of God
 Nothing but Your blood nothing but Your blood
 King Jesus