#### **Announcements**

- Time is almost out to pack your shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. You need to have them at the church no later than 9:00 a.m. Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>.
   Collection dates are November 16<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - Sunday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>
     3:00 p.m. − 5:00 p.m.
     Monday, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>
     9:00 a.m. − 11:00 a.m.
- Personnel Committee Meeting, Monday, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2:30 p.m.
- Church office closed 11/26 and 11/30 for Thanksgiving
- Poinsettia orders need to be turned in by 11/29 (see insert)

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# The Private Worship of God – November 22, 2020

#### **COMMUNION WITH GOD**

Meditation and Silent Prayer

Moditation and Short Trayer	
Prelude	ton
Come Thou Almighty King arr. by Phillip Keveren	
Welcome, Announcements, and ConcernsDr. H. Powell Dew,	Jr.

#### PRAISE AND ADORATION

- 1. We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing, He chastens and hastens His will to make known; The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing, Sing praises to His name, He forgets not His own.
- 2. Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine; So from the beginning the fight we were winning, Thou, Lord, wast at our side: the glory be Thine!
- 3. We all do extol Thee, Thou leader in battle, And pray that Thou still our defender wilt be. Let Thy congregation escape tribulation; Thy name be ever praised: O Lord, make us free!

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation ...... Dr. Dew

> 1. Come, ye thankful people, come, Raise the song of harvest home! All is safely gathered in, Ere the winter storms begin; God, our Maker, doth provide For our wants to be supplied: Come to God's own temple, come, Raise the song of harvest home.

- 2. We ourselves are God's own field, Fruit unto His praise to yield; Wheat and tares together sown Unto joy or sorrow grown; First the blade, and then the ear, Then the full corn shall appear; Lord of harvest, grant that we Wholesome grain and pure may be.
- 3. For the Lord our God shall come And shall take His harvest home; From His field shall purge away All that doth offend that day; Give His angels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast; But the fruitful ears to store In His garner evermore.
- 4. Even so, Lord, quickly come,
  Bring Thy final harvest home;
  Gather Thou Thy people in,
  Free from sorrow, free from sin;
  There, forever purified,
  In Thy presence to abide;
  Come, with all Thine angels, come,
  Raise the glorious harvest home.

# WORSHIP THROUGH WORD AND PRAYER

(Please review our prayer list and pray for those listed.)



Following God's Will

**Theme:** God has a plan for our life.

**Scripture:** Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it." Isaiah 30:21

How many of you enjoy working puzzles? I have brought a puzzle with me this morning called a maze. Each of you will get one of these puzzles to solve. To solve this puzzle, you take your pencil and start right up here where it says, "start," and you try to find an open path in the puzzle that will lead you all the way to where it says, "finish." Of course, you can't cross through any lines. That would be too easy! A puzzle like this can be very difficult -- and sometimes it can be pretty frustrating. Traveling through this maze, you will often have to change the direction you are going. You may often find that the path you have chosen leads you to a dead end. When this happens, you just have to back up and start again. When the puzzle gets too difficult, you may need to ask someone to help you. Even though finding the right path that leads to the finish may be difficult, you will have a feeling of satisfaction when you finally reach your goal.

Today is the first Sunday of a new year. We are beginning the year 20xx. I believe that God has a plan for each of us for this year. He has a path that He wants us to follow and He wants us to be successful in reaching the goal that He has for us. As we face each new day of this year and try to follow the path that God wants us to follow, we may find that it is a lot like trying to solve one of these puzzles. We may often face difficult choices in deciding what God wants us to do. We may have to make frequent changes in the direction we are going. Sometimes we may find that we have made a wrong choice and we have traveled down a dead-end path. When that happens, we have to back up and start over again! Following the will of God for our lives is not always easy, but there is help available. God is always there to help us if we will just ask Him to guide us. In the book of Isaiah, God told His people, "Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, 'This is the way; walk in it.'" God is still there! He is still behind us saying, "This is the way, walk in it." We just need to be sure that we are listening!

Dear Lord, as we travel through this year, we ask you to help us to follow the plan that you have for our life. When we don't know which way to turn, help us to listen for your voice as you give us direction. Amen.

Children's Sermon is from www.sermons4kids.com)

#### WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC AND GIVING

- 1. All glory, laud, and honor,
  To Thee, Redeemer, King,
  To whom the lips of children
  Made sweet hosannas ring:
  Thou are the King of Israel,
  Thou David's royal Son,
  Who in the Lord's name comest,
  The King and blessed One.
- 2. The company of angels
  Are praising Thee on high,
  And mortal men and all things
  Created make reply:
  The people of the Hebrews
  With palms before Thee went;
  Our praise and pray'r and anthems
  Before Thee we present.
- 3. To Thee, before Thy passion
  They sang their hymns of praise;
  To Thee, now high exalted,
  Our melody we raise:
  Thou didst accept their praises;
  Accept the praise we bring,
  Who in all good delightest,
  Thou good and gracious King.



Enclosed is a general offering envelope for your convenience if you wish to mail in your offering.

Special Music		Clay Whittington
	Soon and Very Soon by Andrae` Cr	ouch

# WORSHIP THROUGH PROCLAMATION



### The Faith of Gideon

By Dr. H. Powell Dew, Jr.

Judges 7:1-8

(See Enclosed Sermon)

# WORSHIP THROUGH COMMITMENT

- 1. Rejoice, the Lord is King:
  Your Lord and King adore!
  Rejoice, give thanks and sing,
  And triumph evermore:
  Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
  Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!
- Jesus, the Savior, reigns,
   The God of truth and love;
   When He had purged our stains,
   He took His seat above:
   Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
   Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!
- 3. His kingdom cannot fail,
  He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
  The keys of death and hell
  Are to our Jesus giv'n:
  Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
  Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!
- 4. Rejoice in glorious hope!
  Our Lord and judge shall come
  And take His servants up
  To their eternal home:
  Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
  Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Benediction	Dr. Dew
Postlude	
	Lead on O King Eternal by Henry T. Smart



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