

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

WORSHIP

What do you think of when you hear the word 'worship' mentioned? Our concept of worship is often inadequate, limited to ideas that our culture has taught us. It is far more than our weekly times of gathered worship or our personal times of Bible study, devotion, and prayer, though these are important. In fact, worship is not defined by any physical location or activity we may associate with it (John 4:20-24). The transformative worship that Christ seeks is primarily in our hearts, minds, and desires (Rom. 12:1-2). It is first a state of being out of which our actions and words flow (Luke 6:45). When we recognize Christ as the King of our hearts, we can surrender our ambitions, our agendas, and our need for earthly power and prestige. In meekness, with a hunger and thirst for his righteousness and a peace that cannot be shaken, we can endure the trials of life and seek to play our individual and collective parts in demonstrating the mercy, justice, and reconciliation that Christ calls us to as ambassadors of his eternal Kingdom (Matt. 5:3-12, 2 Cor. 5:17-20). This is worship—a life so overwhelmed with the glorious reality of God and his story of redemption that it cannot help but respond in love toward humanity whom he created, loves, and desires to know him (1 Tim. 2:4).

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

S & T - SOUTHEAST ASIA

In 2021, I started a three-year leadership program. Through this program, I have earned credit toward my master's degree. I am working on the research phase and hope to be done soon. It's been pretty stressful, and I'll be glad to have this over with, but it's also been eye-opening. We recently attended a retreat with other fellow workers. This was a great time of fellowship. Homeschools and being part of this community have led to many relationships and opportunities to share. We just bought tickets for our time in the US from mid-September 2023 to mid-March 2024. We're looking forward to this and seeing everyone. Please pray for all the details to come together. The most exciting thing now is our time with a couple watching The Chosen together. We've been enjoying that, and the conversation goes very deep. We're hoping he will see the love of the Father and want that for himself. And we're hoping that she will recommit herself to Him. Thanks for your prayers.

To learn more about the 50+ missionaries we support, check out our Missionary Wall located in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the Gym.



JUNE SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION: Ecclesiastes 7:2 "It is better to go to the house of mourning than to go to the house of feasting, for this is the end of all mankind and the living will lay it to heart."

WORSHIP IN THE PARK

Join us for our outdoor worship services Sunday evenings through August in Providence Park! Services will begin at 6:30PM, and please remember to bring a blanket or chair. If weather conditions necessitate a cancellation, we will announce this at our 9:30AM service that day.

HELP IN THE NURSERY

We are looking for volunteers to help care for children in the nursery during the morning service and Bible school. If you are interested in serving in the nursery this summer please contact Brittni Nelson at brittnijnelson@gmail.com.

BOLIVIA MISSIONS TRIP

Our team leaves for Bolivia July 27 and we are continuing to plan for the trip. We are in need of prayer partners, financial donations and donations of crayons (8 packs) or small items to be given as gifts to the children. Any questions about the trip please contact Joe Nath (jwnath@aol.com). Our team members are Rob Burton, Tracey Foreacre, Ed Lochmoeller, Scott & Robin Lowery, Joe & Nancy Nath, Michael & Asher Nelson, Amber Nelson, Jim & Molly Olshefsky and Sandra Verdi.

AUC KIDS & STUDENTS AFTER IN THE PARK | TONIGHT

Families, join us immediately after the evening service in the park for some fun activities and yummy summer snacks!

Please take a moment to 'Check In' to the morning worship service and Bible School either through the Church Center App or at the Welcome Center. You can also submit donations to the church through the Church Center App. If you need help visit the Welcome Center in the Foyer.

VBS SNACK DONATIONS

One way you can help with VBS is to bring in snacks for the kids. We're looking for individually packaged store bought snacks like chips, cookies, crackers, etc. We'll be collecting through today. You can drop off donations at the kids ministry table or at the office. Thank you!

MISSIONARY HELP NEEDED

Jonatan & Shantal Odicio are going to be here for the summer with their 3 boys. They would like to send their children to Camp Sankanac for a week, but they need help with the cost of camp. They are in need of \$700 to help send the kids to camp. Donations can be made to them directly, or you can contact them via e-mail. (jonatanodicio@gmail.com)

ONLINE SERVICES

Previously recorded Sunday services are stored on Vimeo. These services have been organized into various categories recently and now contain information about the sermon topic, Scripture passages and morning speaker. To access previous services go to auc.org and click on *Media* in the menu bar. In that tab is a link for "Online Services".

FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF :: David Vandewater, Father
REMEMBERED BY :: Wayne & Kathy Bickford

THANK YOU NOTE

Thank you for all the thoughts, prayers, cards, phone calls, etc., we've received, and continue to receive, due to our mom's passing. It means a lot. It brings us great comfort knowing she is no longer suffering and that she is at Home with her Lord and Savior.

The Cascarella and Seymour families

MEN'S MINISTRY

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY | 6:30-7:30AM | CHAPEL

Our teacher for this week is Pastor Perry Messick. Coffee is provided.

MAN UP | SATURDAYS | 9-11AM | CHAPEL

Man Up is a group of men that meet each Saturday morning to discuss various subjects relating to sermons, book studies, videos, etc.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

JUST US GIRLS | JUNE 30 | 7PM | GYM

School's Out for Summer! Come out and enjoy a relaxing evening of uninterrupted conversations, snacks and a surprise activity. One hint for this get-together: You will need to bring your purse, handbag, pocketbook - whatever you carry - fully loaded! Let's start the summer off to a great start with friends- bring one with you. Please register online or contact Loretta Stott (stott1@comcast.net) so we can plan accordingly!

STUDENT MINISTRY

UPDATE: STUDENT & FAMILY MINISTRY PASTOR SEARCH

We have received interest and multiple resumes regarding our position and have sent the job application to two viable candidates. We will begin the interview process soon. The search committee and CE committee greatly appreciate your continued partnership in prayer through this process.

AUC STUDENTS SWIM NIGHT | JUNE 26 | 6:30-9:00PM

Come cool off and hang out with us on swim night! Contact Christy Bickford or Elizabeth Tyson for the host home address.

KID'S MINISTRY

AUC KIDS VBS | JUNE 19-22 | 6:30-8:30PM

VBS is back and we're super excited!! Our theme is Keepers of the Kingdom. We will be learning about the armor of God. We will also be doing tons of crafts, playing fun games, and singing songs. Groups start at age 4 (must be 4yrs by June 18) and go through 5th grade (must be entering in fall 2023). For more information and to register go to auc.org/children or register on Church Center.