

April 8, 2018

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Christ First @ First Christian

Welcome

Opening prayer / scripture- John Johnstone

Come Thou Almighty King, hymn #195 - verses 1,4

Prayer – John Johnstone

To God Be The Glory, hymn #35 - verses 1,2

Living For Jesus, hymn #380 - verses 1,4

COMMUNION MEDITATION – John Johnstone

(Song explanation)

Lead Me To Calvary, hymn #148 - verses 1,4

(Prayer)

OFFERING Thought and PRAYER –John Johnstone

MESSAGE:

“Let Us All Walk To Emmaus”

Jesus Calls, hymn #491 - all verses

NOTE: the origin of this song is explained on the following page.

Closing prayer – John Johnstone

The Erwin family would like to thank all who showed support during their time of mourning the loss of Bob.

Jesus - Over - You

Food for Thought:

If you are too busy to pray, you are busier than God wants you to be...

Song origin for “Jesus Calls Us

Cecil Frances Alexander (her married name) was an outstanding young woman by virtue of ability, education, and service. While still quite young, she and her sister operated a school for the deaf, and she also published a highly successful book of hymns for children—designating the profits for the benefit of the school.

She married William Alexander, an Anglican clergyman who later became the Anglican Archbishop for all of Ireland. Impressed by her hymns, he asked her to write a hymn for use during the coming Sunday worship based on the call of Simon, Andrew, James, and John (Matthew 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-18). She wrote this hymn, “Jesus Calls Us,” for that occasion. She wrote 400 hymns during her lifetime — mostly children’s hymns—but “Jesus Calls Us” and “All Things Bright and Beautiful” are the best known.

The first verse of this hymn begins, “Jesus calls us o’er the tumult of our life’s wild, restless sea”—acknowledging the call of those first disciples by the Sea of Galilee. A recurring theme is “Christian, love me more”—“Christian, love me more than these” —“serve and love thee best of all.” Those words were inspired by John 21:15, where Jesus, after the resurrection, asked Peter, “Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?” The hymn therefore acknowledges Jesus’ claim, not only over the lives of those first four disciples, but over the lives of every Christian.

Adult Bible Studies

Sunday morning adult Sunday School in the library at 10:00am
Sonshine Seekers Sunday School in their classroom at 10:00am
Wednesday Bible Study - 2:00 – 3:00PM - "The Book of Acts"

Outreach Ministry

Christian Women's Fellowship meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at noon for a potluck and an outreach project.

Shoebox Ministry

This ministry is part of the
Samaritan's Purse International Relief Effort.
Franklin Graham – President; Samaritanspurse.org

CONGREGATION INFORMATION

April's Board meeting today following service

Food pantry items will be available each Sunday.

Shoebox Ministry's first basement sale this year has
been
moved to May 5th. We are accepting your unwanted
items.

CWF Project:

**For the month of April, we will be
collecting
items for the gospel mission.**

Please take your Easter plants home today if you want them.