

"The Power of Prayer," to the tune of Lyons

O teach us again the power of prayer
How soon we forget, how sad our despair
While God our Creator who made us from dust
Is whispering: "My children,
Oh, why won't you trust!"

Again and again, our God in His care
Supplied all our needs, has heard all our prayers.
He hears us cry out in our times of distress
And in times of plenty
He listens, no less!

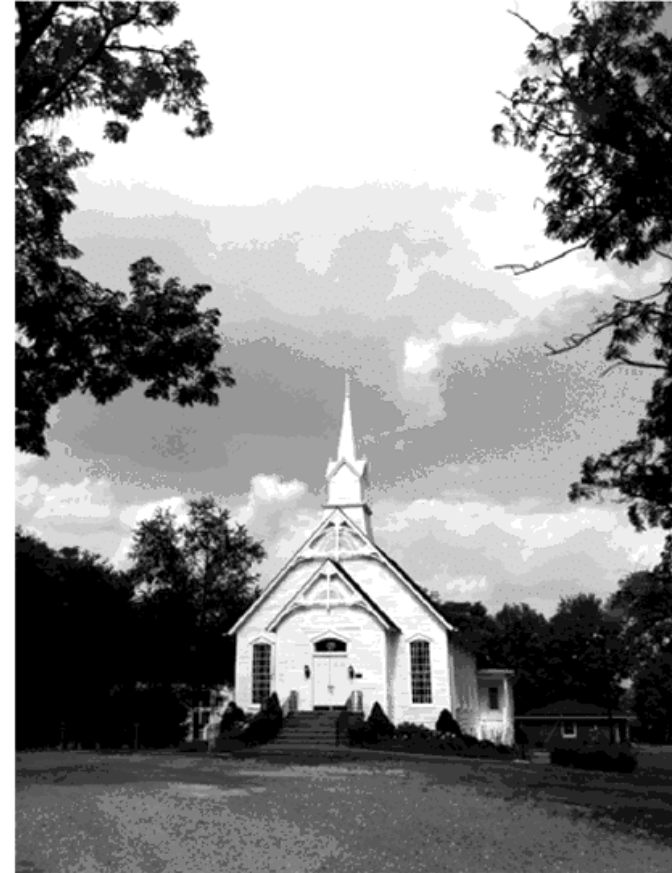
He's listening now, come bring Him your prayer
Just like a small child who's longing to share
With her precious Father the news of the day
Bring your hopes, fears, joy, tears:
Oh, come let us pray!

Calendar of Coming Events

Wed, July 28 th	Trustee Meeting
Sat, July 31 st	Rummage Sale
Sun, Aug 1 st	Following our worship service on the 1st, Justin and whoever else is able to go will be taking Holy Communion to Jackie Overbey and Mildred Hardison. Also, we will take Communion to Sonny Overbey on Monday afternoon. Let Justin know if you are able to participate in blessing the lives of these members.

Also, there will be a Post-Wedding Shower/House Warming Party for Justin and Cathleen in the Fellowship Hall from 4-6pm. They are registered at Macy's, Target, and Home Depot.

—*Preserving the Past, Preparing God's Future*—
COLLEGE GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Sunday School 9:15AM

Worship 10:30AM

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July 25, 2010

10:30 A.M.

GATHERING

WELCOMING

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

CALLING TO WORSHIP “Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

*SINGING OUR PRAISE “This Is My Father's World” No. 144

*PRAYING GOD'S PRESENCE

*READING THE PSALMS Psalm 138:1-5

*PRAYING OUR SONGS “Power of Prayer” Insert

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYING WITH OUR PEOPLE

PRAYING THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING AND PRAISING “His Prayer,” Sanctuary Choir

*SINGING THE DOXOLOGY No. 70

READING THE EPISTLES Colossians 2:6-14

READING OF THE GOSPEL Luke 11:1-13

HEARING SONGS OF PRAYER “You Are My All in All”

PROCLAIMING OF THE WORD

PRAYING AND REFLECTING “Spirit of the Living God” No. 393
(Remain seated during song)

INVITING TO THE FAITH

*CLOSING OF OUR WORSHIP “Sweet Hour of Prayer” No. 496

*GOING FORTH INTO THE WORLD

*Please stand if you are able during portions of our worship notated with an asterisk.

About Our Worship Service...

This morning we dive into Luke 11, which produced what we refer to today as “The Lord's Prayer.” We will notice our worship includes more prayers than usual, and our songs are directly or indirectly related to prayer. I invite us to *focus this morning on praying these songs* because after all most of them are actual prayers. Also, the lyrics for the “Power of Prayer” may be unfamiliar but many of you will recognize its popular tune. Our willingness to learn this new song mirrors a request in our gospel lesson: “Lord, *teach us* how to pray.” Before we can sincerely make such a request—before we learn something new from our Savior Jesus Christ—we have to first become (and hopefully remain) teachable. We must be open to learning something new, maybe even something unexpected. Therefore, our prayers and our songs this morning encourage this attitude of humility, this willingness to learn.

Regarding the sermon... I trust that we are open to something new also. In the beginning, expect some moving around and rearranging of space. This is intentional and reminds us that often we are disoriented and stripped of something old in order to learn something new. Moreover, the style of the sermon will be slightly unorthodox and hopefully engaging. The sermon is actually more of a testimony, which should help tell the story of a single life committed to, transformed through, and overwhelmed by this prayer. To be exact, the sermon is a *first-person narrative from the life of a disciple, Peter*, who tells of his journey into the height, width, and depth of this prayer—a prayer that almost 2,000 years later still shapes, challenges, and empowers the lives of his disciples, including us at College Grove United Methodist Church. And Peter's journey started with this simple request, “Lord, teach us to pray.” Therefore, may God open us for learning. And may Christ teach us to pray...again...and again...