

**OFFERING** (Sing in unison.)

**We give Thee but Thine own; what-e'er the gift may be. All that we have is Thine alone; a trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

**OFFERTORY MUSIC** "Love is Flowing"

Purifoy

**DOXOLOGY** no. 625

(Sing in unison. Please stand for remainder of service if you are able.)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**HYMN** no. 116 vs. 1,3,4 "Take the Name of Jesus with You"

**BENEDICTION**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** no. 286 (Sing in unison.)

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

**POSTLUDE** "Chromatic Fugue"

Pachelbel



**ASSISTING WITH TODAY'S WORSHIP**

Deacons at 9:30 AM- Doug Vermillion, Laura Monroe, and Kim Williamson

Deacons at 11:00 AM- Paula Messner, Ed Mills, and Rebecca Bliss

Liturgist- Rev. Kevin Horak

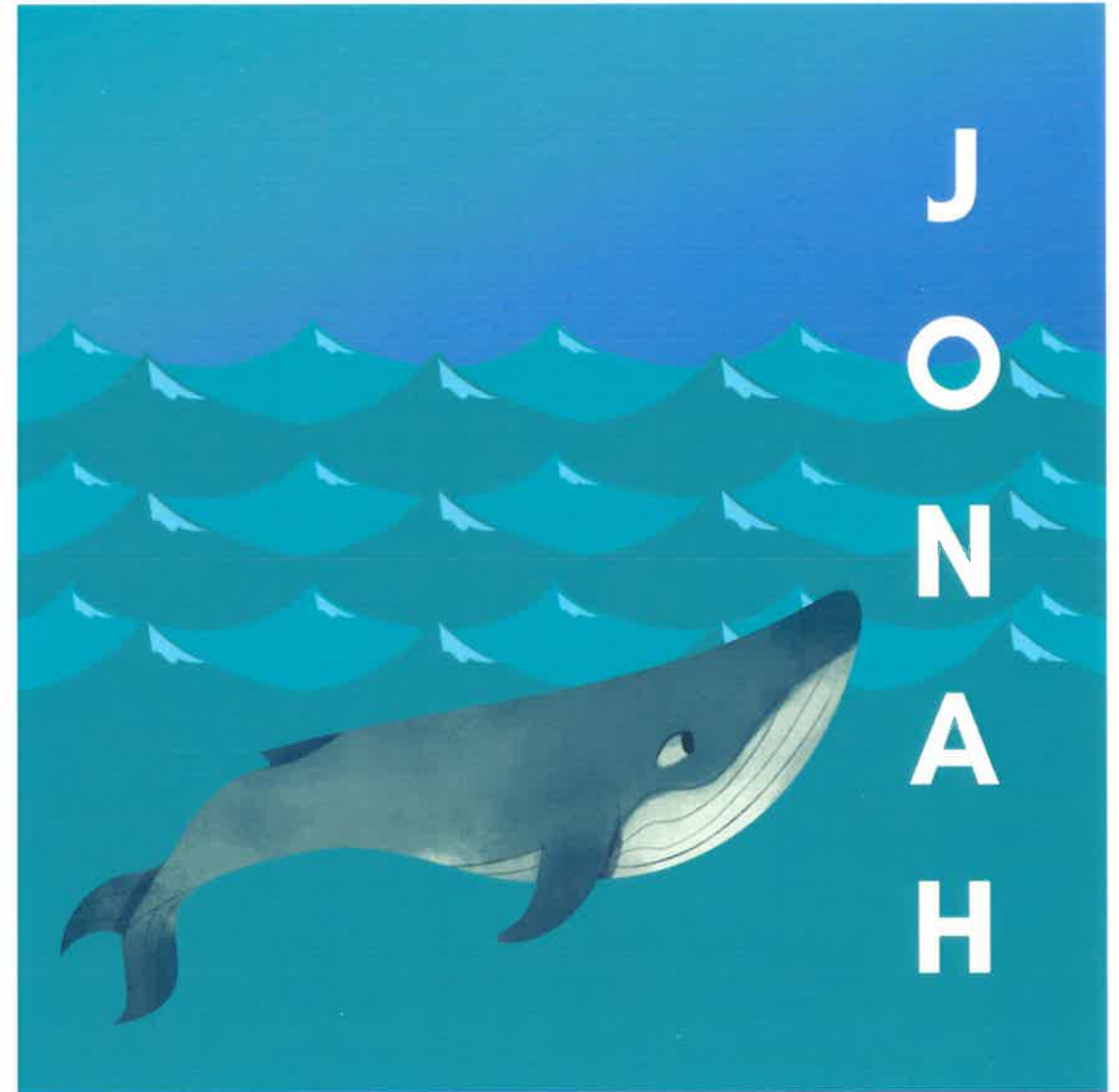
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**THE CHURCH IN AURORA**  
**ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP**

February 23, 2020  
9:30 AM and 11:00 AM

**WELCOME**

**CHILDRENS CHOIR** "Ev'ry Creature Praise the Lord!" by Nix

**PRELUDE** "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come" Pachelbel

**CHORAL INTROIT** "We Are Here, Lord"

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Please stand if you are able.)

Liturgist: Come, praise the Lord our God, and worship at God's mountain.

**People: For the Lord our God is holy, full of compassion and grace.**

Liturgist: When God's prophets cried out, God answered them, speaking in a pillar of cloud.

**People: Let all God's people sing praises to God's great and awesome name.**

Liturgist: Mighty God, lover of justice, you establish equity throughout the earth.

**People: Let us worship God from the mountaintops. Let us praise God's holy name.**

**HYMN** no. 284 "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"  
(Please stand if you are able. Pass Prayer Request Cards to Deacons.)

**OPENING PRAYER**

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

**CHORAL ANTHEM** "Psalm and Alleluia" arr. Purifoy

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION** (Read in unison.)

**Lord, by the power of your Spirit reveal to us your Word. Let us be a holy temple built on Christ, our sure foundation. Amen.**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON** pg. 837 Matthew 5:38-48

**GLORIA PATRI** no. 623 (Sing in unison. Please stand if you are able.)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

**MINISTRY OF PROCLAMATION** Rev. Derek Hickman

**Sermon Series:** The Spiritual Renewal in Jonah  
**Sermon Title:** **God & Enemies**  
**Sermon Scripture:** Jonah 4

**HYMN** no. 287 "Our God Has Made Us One"  
(Please stand if you are able.)

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER** (Read in unison.)

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

(Order of Morning Worship continues on reverse.)

### FOR OUR GUESTS...

Information about our church may be found at the **Welcome Center Desk** near the main entrance. Please allow us to get to know you better by filling out the **Connection Card** and placing it in the offering plate. **Prayer Request Cards** are also located in the pew racks. If you have a prayer request you would like included in our weekly Prayer Chain letter, write it on a card and give it to the Deacon who comes down the aisle during the opening hymn. **Restrooms and a water fountain** are located in Great Hall. An **ADA Accessible/ Family Restroom** is located on the main floor by the nursery. **Bible Studies and other groups** meet throughout the week and are listed on the church's calendar ([www.tcia.cc](http://www.tcia.cc)), or you may call the church office (330-562-8266) for more information.

**GREETERS TODAY ARE CHERYL & TOM SHROUT.**

### YOU RECEIVED A CONNECTION CARD AS YOU ARRIVED FOR WORSHIP TODAY.

Pastor Derek will explain this new way to help us stay better connected as a church family. Please complete your card and place it in the offering plate when it passes.

### A TIME OF COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWS BOTH WORSHIP SERVICES

**TODAY.** After the 1<sup>st</sup> service at 10:30, it will be upstairs in the Fellowship Hall where you will have the opportunity to greet our new members. After the 2<sup>nd</sup> service at noon, it will be in the Great Hall. **THE THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUP HAS PROVIDED TODAY'S SNACKS.**

**"MEET THE DISCIPLES" IS THE NEW THEME IN PROMISELAND.** Grades 1 & 2 are in Promise Garden; Grade 3 is in Camp Promise & Promise Inn; and Grade 4 is in Port Promise & Promise Temple. These classrooms are located upstairs.

**THE SEASON OF LENT BEGINS THIS WEEK WITH AN ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE SANCTUARY AT 7:30 PM.** Copies of *We Bow Our Hearts to You*, a book of daily prayers for the Lenten season, are available on the side table in Great Hall.

**OUR YOUTH GROUP WILL BE IN PENNSYLVANIA NEXT WEEKEND ATTENDING THE ANNUAL SNOW CAMP.** They return on Sunday. Please keep them in your prayers.

**"EASTER EARTHQUAKE" IS A 6-WEEK 9:30 AM SUNDAY MORNING LENTEN STUDY LED BY REED FULLER.** It begins next week on March 1. **"24 HOURS" IS A 7-WEEK LENTEN STUDY LED BY PASTOR DEREK.** It begins on Wednesday, March 4 at both 10 AM and 6:30 PM. More information is available on the church's website ([www.tcia.cc](http://www.tcia.cc)). You may register for either by marking today's Connection Card or calling the church office (330-562-8266). The cost of the study book for each series is \$10.

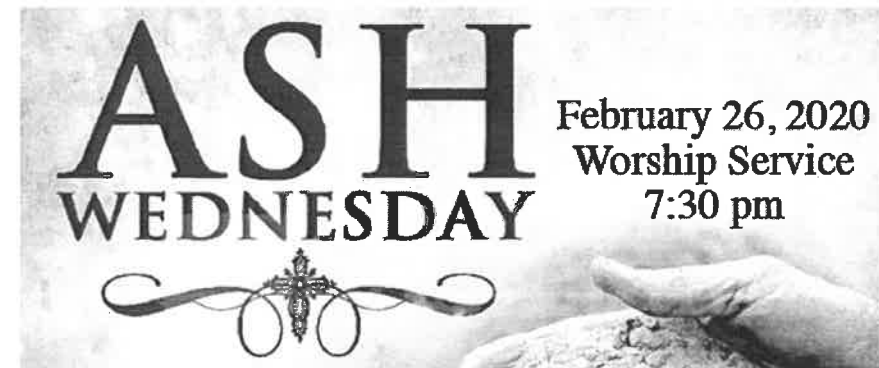
**THE FINAL "LISTENING TOUR" IS NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 1, AT 6:30 PM AT THE HOME OF JULIE & BRADY KREBS (Aurora).** If you would like to be a part of one of these small-groups and meet with Pastor Derek as he gets to know his new church family, you may register by marking your Connection Card or by calling the church office (330-562-8266).

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** The next Red Cross Blood Drive is Monday, March 8 in Fellowship Hall from 1:30 PM – 6:30 PM.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT STEPHEN MINISTRY?** On Saturday, April 25, our church will be hosting a Stephen Ministry Introductory Workshop, and you can attend at no charge. Watch for more details in the coming weeks.

**DONATIONS FOR THE AURORA FOOD PANTRY** may be brought to the church and placed in the marked bench in Great Hall to be taken to the pantry on Tuesday of each week. The pantry is in need of all personal hygiene products (except for toothpaste).

**THE UPDATED LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS IS AVAILABLE ON THE SIDE TABLE IN GREAT HALL.**



## TODAY WE WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS

**Ryan & Brooke Anderson** - The Anderson family has two sons, **August** (age 3) and **Mack** (age 9 months). Ryan is a software engineer. His hobbies include woodworking, playing guitar, hiking, and watching sports. Ryan's previous church was St. Charles in Kettering, Ohio. Brooke is a former science teacher. She facilitates The Aurora Mom's Club that meets at our church. Her other hobbies include painting, sewing, exercise, and music. Her previous church was Canfield Presbyterian where she sang in the choir and played handbells.

**Pam & Jim Fife** - The Fifes are transferring their membership from First United Methodist Church of Ravenna where Pam was active in Altar Guild, choir and as a church school director. Jim is semi-retired as a Machine Designer, and he enjoys golf, fishing, and RVing. Pam is retired as Director of Alumnae Relations at Hathaway Brown School. She enjoys golfing, painting, dancing, and "glamping" in their RV.

**Jenna Hickman** - Jenna is married to our new Senior Minister, Pastor Derek. They are the parents of **Wesley** (age 6) and **Hallie** (age 2). Jenna is transferring her membership from First United Methodist Church of Ravenna where she was a leader in the Women's and Mom's Groups, as well as the Children's Ministry leader. She is a school teacher in Aurora and has been keeping very busy these past few months with getting her family settled into their new home here in Aurora.

**Brent & April Nenadal** - The Nenadal family includes 2 sons, **Oliver** (age 10) and **Simon** (age 8). They are transferring their membership from Aurora United Methodist Church where both Brent and April were VBS and children's church volunteers, and April was an Administrative Council Member. Brent is a high school science teacher and enjoys running, coaching track (including helping out on his son's teams) and spending time with his family. April is a school counselor and enjoys running, cooking, traveling, board games, and family time.

**Katherine & Drew Stamm** - The Stamm family transferred from Hilltop Christian Church in Mantua. They reside in Aurora with their "bubbly" 18 month old toddler, **Teddy**. Drew is an engineer for Lincoln Electric, and he also teaches yoga. His hobbies include running, reading, and spending time enjoying family activities. Katherine is an accountant at Parkwood LLC in Cleveland. She enjoys working out, yoga, cooking, reading and spending time with Drew and Teddy. Both Drew and Katherine were very active at Hilltop Christian with Drew serving as elder, trustee, and deacon and Katherine serving as financial secretary, elder, and deacon, in addition to singing in the choir.

**Ann Scott** - Ann is transferring her membership from The First Congregational Church of Hudson. While there she sang in the choir, played in the bell choir, and served 4 years on the Adult Faith Formation Board. Ann resides in Chagrin Falls and has been married 40 years to a professional musician. They have 4 children and 1 granddaughter, all living in other states. Ann has been an elementary school teacher for Parma City Schools for the last 20 years and currently teaches 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Her hobbies include exploring national and state parks via their travel trailer. She also enjoys singing and reading.

The Church in Aurora's **Code of Regulations** state:

***The purpose of this church shall be to bind together followers of Jesus Christ, to share in the worship of God, and to make God's will dominant in their lives and in the world.***

***The government of this church is vested in its members, and it shall be subject to no denominational body in its faith or practice, except that it shall strive to cooperate with all religious bodies and to share in their common aims and work.***

***The members of this church shall have the undisturbed right to follow the word of God according to the dictates of their own consciences.***