

OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

8:30 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M.

JANUARY 17, 2010

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are glad you have joined us in worship and fellowship today.
Please include your address, telephone number and e-mail address
on the registration pad.

PRELUDE AND PROCESSIONAL

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing Manz

CALL TO WORSHIP

When in Our Music God is Glorified Stanford

OPENING PRAYER

Leader: The Lord is with you. **People: And also with you.**

***HYMN # 139** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN
Stanzas 1 – 3 and 5

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI MEINEKE

*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.*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM 11:00 a.m.
Wright Middleton Upton

CONGREGATIONAL PLEDGE 11:00 a.m.
With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that Wright, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

BAPTISM HYMN # 611 11:00 a.m.

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise STUTT GART
*Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign;
With this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.*

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now* Walther

***DOXOLOGY** OLD 100th

*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.*

CHILDREN'S TIME *Jesus Loves Me* JESUS LOVES ME

*Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

Children to 2nd grade are invited forward.

Following Children's Time, children ages 3 - 5 exit to Children's Church, Room F-203

***HYMN # 400** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* NETTLETON

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANTHEM *Blessed Assurance* Sterling

SCRIPTURE LESSON Genesis 2:18-24 O.T. 2

SERMON "Before You Say, 'I Do'" Bill Burch

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Those wishing to join the church are invited forward on the last stanza of the hymn.

***HYMN # 451** *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

*BENEDICTION

BUILT TO LAST. NEXT STEP

Recommended Reading:

Before You Say "I Do" by H Norman Wright

The Hard Questions: 100 Essential Questions to Ask Before You Say "I Do"
by Susan Piver

Visit our website, www.samjonesumc.org, and the Media Center carts in the lobbies for additional resources

BUILT TO LAST, NEXT STEP

Sunday School Class Studies on Marriage:

Making Love Last a Lifetime: *Biblical Perspectives on Love, Marriage, and Sex* by Adam Hamilton. offers some keys to helping you develop a healthy, satisfying, and successful marriage. Transitions Class, 9:45 a.m., Education Building Room E-102

Experiencing God's Dream for Your Marriage by Chip Ingram is a topical series examining God's design for marriage, with practical instruction to help you make your marriage what God desires it to be.

New Life Class, 11:00 a.m., Family Life Center Room F-307

***GOING FORTH**

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

THE ASH GROVE

*Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,
The people of God from this dwelling take leave.
God's grace did invite us, and love shall unite us
To work for God's kingdom and answer the call.*

***EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES**

***POSTLUDE**

Postlude on St. Denio

Callahan

*Please stand as you are able.

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the Glory of God and in celebration of the baptism of Wright Middleton Upton, by his family.

The rose is placed on the altar today to the Glory of God and in celebration of the baptism of Wright Middleton Upton, son of Rebecca and Herb Upton.

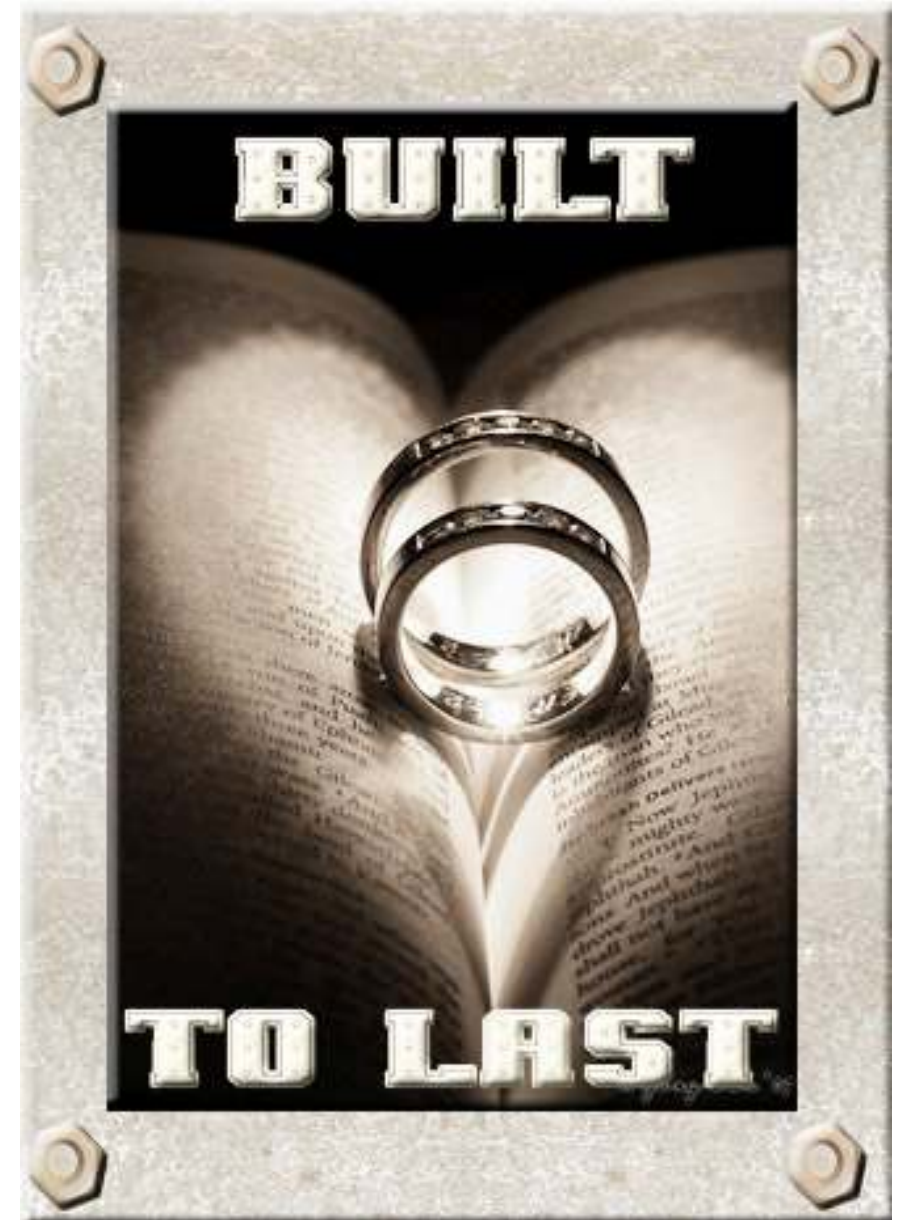
WELCOME

Our new welcome center is now open in the main lobby of the Family Life Center. The Welcome Center volunteers can provide information on the programs and activities of Sam Jones church. Gift bags are available for our first-time guests on tables at each exit of the Sanctuary. Each visiting family is urged to take a bag filled with various treats and an information packet about Sam Jones church and its ministries.

This Week at Sam Jones

Our weekly update is available in the vestibules as you enter and exit the sanctuary and in the lobbies of the Family Life Center. Please pick up a copy for the weekly calendar, activity highlights and membership news.

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