# Cheltenham United Methodist Church





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Monday, April 21 – Friday, May 2 Monday, May 5, 2025 **Pastor's Vacation** 

Monday, April 28, 2025 Monday Methodists 9am Knitting Circle 10am

Thursday, May 1, 2025 National Prayer Day - Pray with **Prayer Material 12noon** 

Council Meeting 12noon

**Saturday, May 17, 2025** Spring Fling(Yard Sale)

## ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS

in May of 2025

#### Anniversary

- 7 Meredith Flippen, Michael and Crystal Reed
- 12 Jeff and Chiara Griffith
- 19 Sara and Ryan Windsor
- 30 Daein and Juyoun (Hong) Park

## ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS

in May of 2025

### Birthday

3 Leslie Hart 7 Rebekah Rawlings

8 Joshua Rawlings 13 Gaon Park

14 Doug House 15 Brenda Bowen

17 Kaela Rawlings 19 Liliana Easter

22 Jimmy Aist 24 Lucy Easter

27 Cheryl Johnson 29 Clark Aist, Gay Topper

30 Judy Benton

# The Birthday Song

A happy birthday to you; a happy birthday to you; May you feel Jesus near every day of the year.
A happy birthday to you a happy birthday to you; The best you have ever known!





### GREETING

Come, people of resurrection— Christ lives and calls us still. Rejoice with every breath and beat, for all creation praises the Holy One! Christ stood among them, saying, "Peace be with you." Even in doubt, we are met with mercy. We are witnesses, like Peter called to obey God rather than fear people. Alleluia! Love has conquered! Christ is risen indeed!

# PRAYER

Risen Christ, we gather in your peace, breathing in resurrection hope. You meet us behind closed doors, speaking calm into our fear, and showing wounds that heal our doubts. Open our hearts to your Spirit's breath—that we may rejoice with all creation and witness boldly like Peter. Shape our worship with joy, our lives with courage, and our faith with wonder. To you, who was, and is, and is coming—be all praise. AMEN.

# Trust and Obey

UMH 467

Words: John H. Sammis, 1887
Music: Daniel B. Towner, 1887
Tune: TRUST AND OBEY
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When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word, what a glory he sheds on our way! While we do his good will, he abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share, but our toil he doth richly repay; not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey.

But we never can prove the delights of his love until all on the altar we lay; for the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust and obey.

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet, or we'll walk by his side in the way; what he says we will do, where he sends we will go; never fear, only trust and obey.

# +PASSING OF THE PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC

# SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

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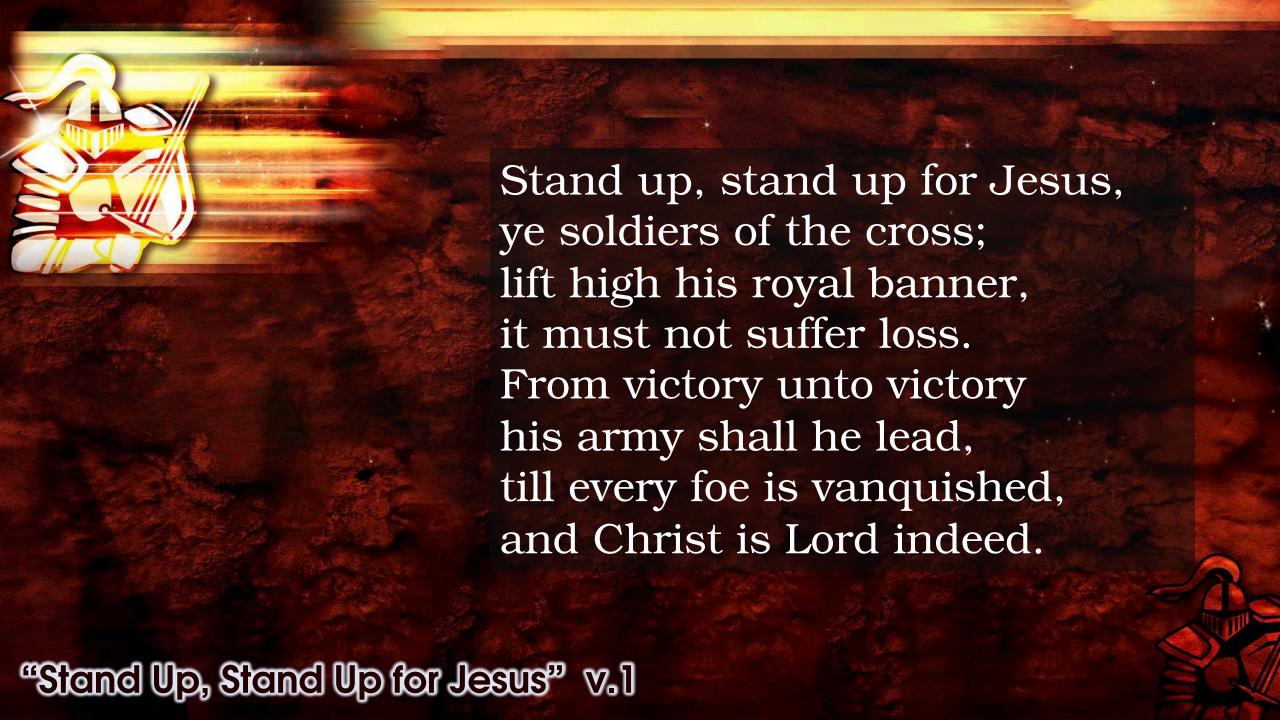


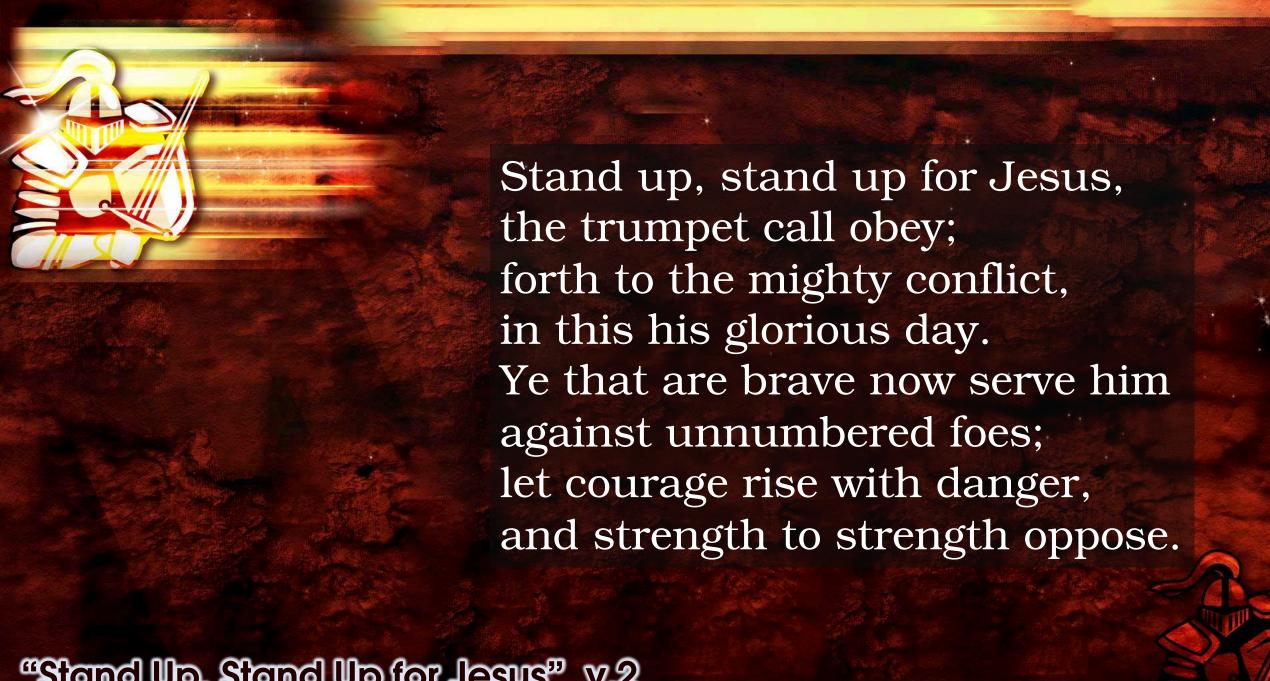
"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

#### LORD'S PRAYER

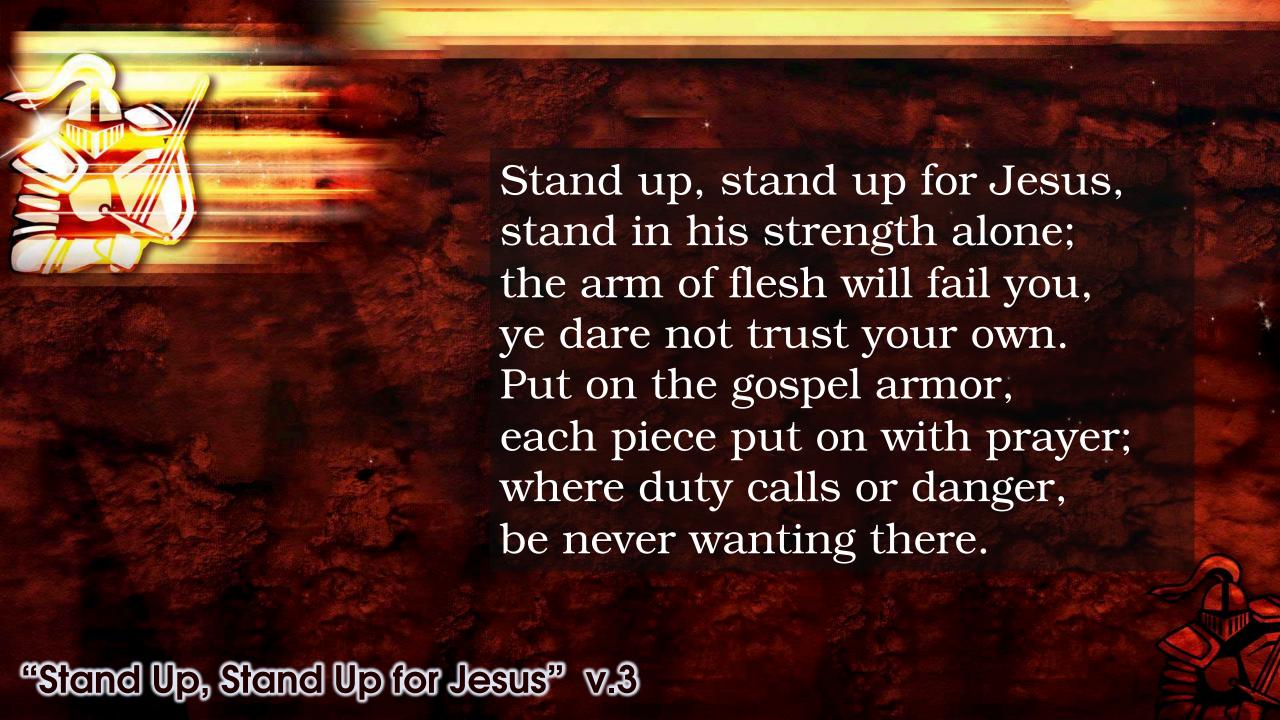
Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread And forgive us our trespasses As we forgive those who trespass against us And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

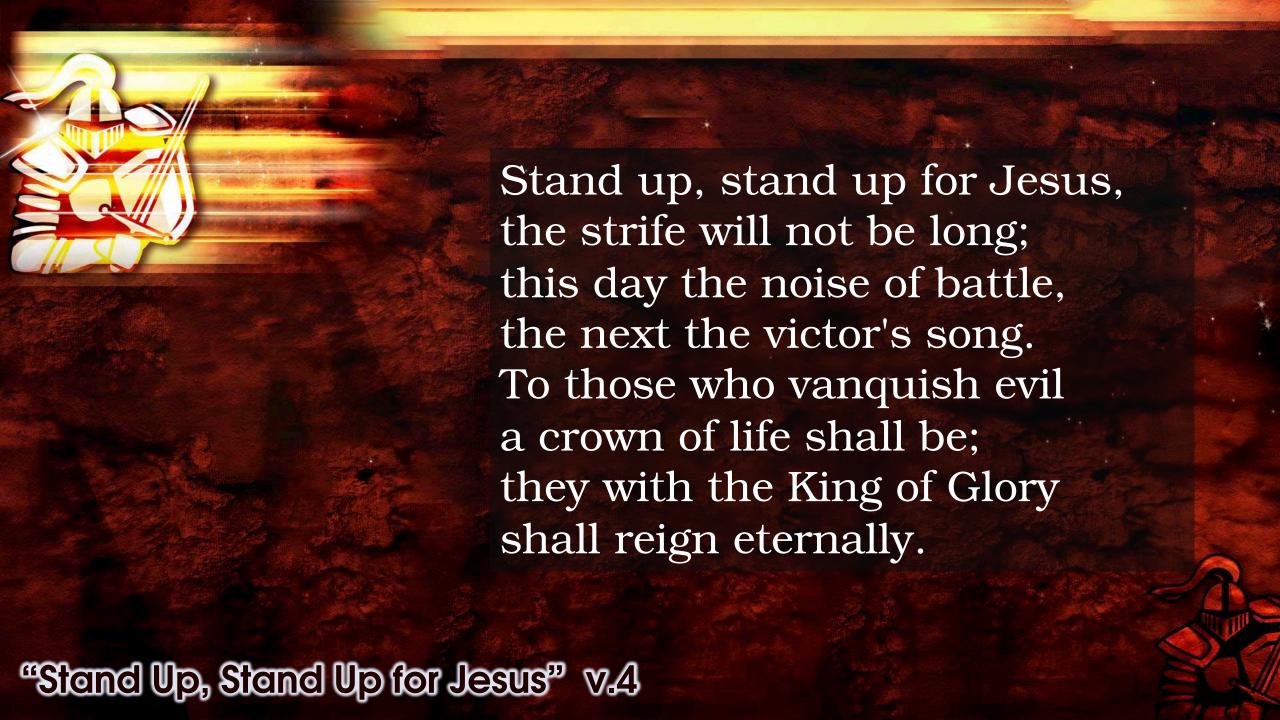






"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" v.2





# NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1

Acts 5:27-32 NRSV

<sup>27</sup> When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup> saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." 29 But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority.

# NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1

Acts 5:27-32 NRSV

30 The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. 31 God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. 32 And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

# NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 2

Luke 19:28-40 NRSV

<sup>16</sup> Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."



#### OFFERTORY "Christ Is Alive" UMH 318

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## DOXOLOGY

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER



# We've a Story to Tell the Nations

UMH 569

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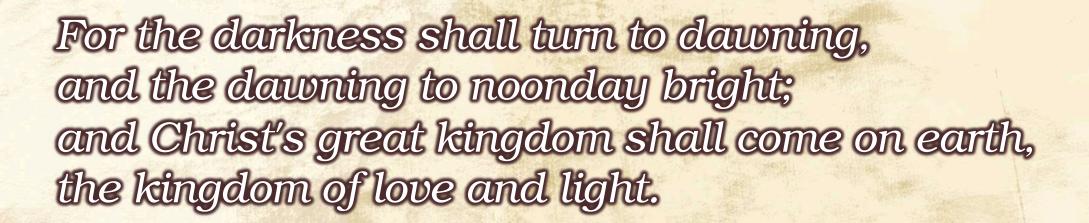
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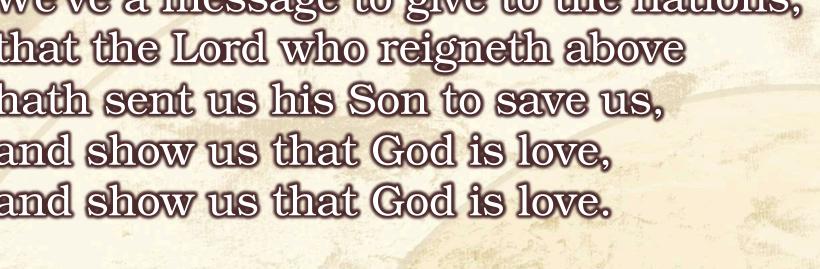
We've a story to tell to the nations, that shall turn their hearts to the right, a story of truth and mercy, a story of peace and light, a story of peace and light.



We've a song to be sung to the nations, that shall lift their hearts to the Lord, a song that shall conquer evil and shatter the spear and sword, and shatter the spear and sword.

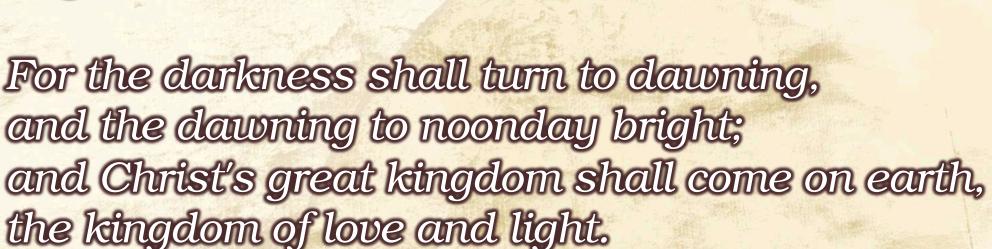
For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright; and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light.

We've a message to give to the nations, that the Lord who reigneth above hath sent us his Son to save us, and show us that God is love, and show us that God is love.



For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright; and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light.

We've a Savior to show to the nations, who the path of sorrow hath trod, that all of the world's great peoples might come to the truth of God, might come to the truth of God.



# +BENEDICTION



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