



Accent on Music

Covenant E.P.C. of Lake Jackson
September 24, 2023
Pentecost 17 - Red

Music to Rehearse

Hymns

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| Give Our God Immortal Praise | 16 |
| Great is the Lord Our God | 335 |

Response/Doxology

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| All Hail the Power (Verse 2) | 95 |
| Give Thanks | 496 |

Anthem – *I Thank You Lord*

Other Music

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| <i>There Is Room For The Stranger</i> | 10/01 |
| <i>Beautiful River</i> | 10/08 |
| <i>Chancel Chimes</i> | 10/15 |
| <i>Trust In Jesus</i> | 10/22 |
| <i>Be Strong In The Lord</i> | 10/29 |
| <i>Heart In Praise</i> | 11/05 |
| <i>Hold On To Hope</i> | 11/12 |
| <i>Chancel Chimes</i> | 11/19 |
| <i>I Want To Be More Like You</i> | 11/26 |
| <i>We Are One In The Lord</i> | 12/03 |
| <i>Sing We All Noel</i> | 12/10 |
| <i>Chancel Chimes</i> | 12/17 |
| <i>The Jesus Gift (DAY SERVICE)</i> | 12/24 |
| <i>Let There Be Christmas (NIGHT SERVICE)</i> | 12/24 |
| <i>Instrumental Music (Not Chimes)</i> | 12/31 |

Scripture & Message

Message: Renewing the City: Dedicating The Wall

Scripture: II Corinthians 8:1-5

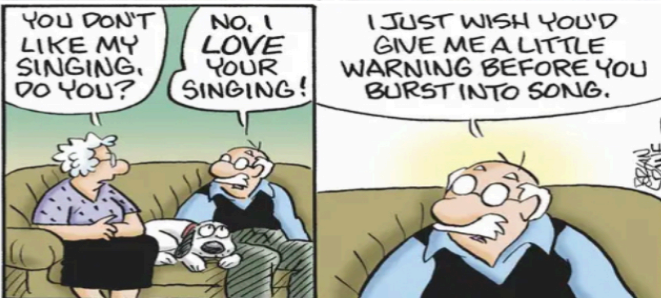
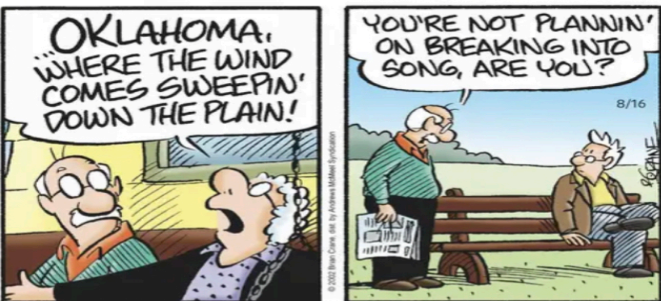
And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. 2 In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. 3 For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, 4 they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. 5 And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us.

Scripture: Nehemiah 12:27-31, 38, 40, 43-44

²⁷ At the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem, the Levites were sought out from where they lived and were brought to Jerusalem to celebrate joyfully the dedication with songs of thanksgiving and with the music of cymbals, harps and lyres. ²⁸ The musicians also were brought together from the region around Jerusalem—from the villages of the Netophathites, ²⁹ from Beth Gilgal, and from the area of Geba and Azmaveth, for the musicians had built villages for themselves around Jerusalem. ³⁰ When the priests and Levites had purified themselves ceremonially, they purified the people, the gates and the wall. ³¹ I had the leaders of Judah go up on top of the wall. I also assigned two large choirs to give thanks. One was to proceed on top of the wall to the right, toward the Dung Gate. ³⁸ The second choir proceeded in the opposite direction. I followed them on top of the wall, together with half the people—past the Tower of the Ovens to the Broad Wall ⁴⁰ The two choirs that gave thanks then took their places in the house of God; so did I, together with half the officials. ⁴³ And on that day they offered great sacrifices, rejoicing because God had given them great joy. The women and children also rejoiced. The sound of rejoicing in Jerusalem could be heard far away. ⁴⁴ At that time men were appointed to be in charge of the storerooms for the contributions, first fruits and tithes. From the fields around the towns they were to bring into the storerooms the portions required by the Law for the priests and the Levites, for Judah was pleased with the ministering priests and Levites.

Smile

I was struggling to get my wife's attention. So, I sat down on the sofa and looked really comfortable. That did the trick.



"The itsy-bitsy paycheck just post to my account. Down came the bills and wiped the money out."

A woman walked into the kitchen to find her husband stalking around with a fly swatter. "What are you doing?" she asked. "Hunting flies," he replied. "Oh, killed any?" she said. "Yep, 3 males, 2 females," came the answer. Intrigued, the wife asked, "How can you tell them apart?" Husband: "3 were on a beer can, 2 were on the phone."



"Y'know that big window at the church with the color pictures on it?..."



My wife just stopped and said, "You weren't even listening, were you?"

I thought to myself... "That's a pretty strange way to start off a conversation!"