

# 672 God Be with You till We Meet Again

God be with You till We Meet Again  
 Written as an expansion on the root sense of "good-bye" (God be [with] ye/you), "God Be with You till We Meet Again" has appeared in more than 900 hymnals and remains a prominent example of nineteenth-century gospel song in The United Methodist Hymnal and other collections today.

Hymn writer and liturgical theologian Ruth Duck reminds worship planners that the sending is a major component of the ordo or Christian worship. She writes, "[the sending] is a key moment in worship, however brief it may be. The time of gathering brings us together as a community mindful of God's presence, and the time of sending is our transition to the world where we will respond to God's call and continue to experience God's blessing." "God be with You till We Meet Again" situates itself as a message of assurance in that sending. Additionally, it serves as a marker of time and a prayer for one another.

1. God be with you till we meet a - gain; by his  
 2. God be with you till we meet a - gain; neath his  
 3. God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's  
 4. God be with you till we meet a - gain; keep love's

coun-sels guide, up - hold you, with his sheep se - cure - ly  
 wings se - cure - ly hide you, dai - ly man - na still pro -  
 per - ils thick con - found you, put his arms un - fail - ing  
 ban - ner float - ing o'er you, smite death's threat - ening wave be -

fold you;  
 vide you;  
 round you;  
 fore you;  
 God be with you till we meet a - gain.

*Refrain*  
 Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet, till we  
 (till we meet, till we meet a - gain)

meet at Je - sus' feet; (till we meet) till we meet, (till we meet,  
 (till we meet)

till we meet,  
 till we meet a - gain) God be with you till we meet a - gain.

WORDS: Jeremiah E. Bartin, 1880



## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**Consecration Service**  
 Words for this service were adapted from the *United Methodist Book of Worship* "A Service for the Consecration of an Educational Building".

**Consecration Service for Family Life Center  
 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
 September 29, 2019, 10:00AM**

*Welcome!* We're glad you're here.  
 When you see the [\*], people are invited to arise as able.  
 Hymns No. 57-734 are in the red hymnal (*The United Methodist Hymnal*),  
 2000's are in the black hymnal (*The Faith We Sing*).

**RIBBON CUTTING 9:45AM, East Entrance of Family Life Center**

**PRELUDE**

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**L:** Blessed be the name of God forever and ever,  
 to whom belongs wisdom and might.

**P:** **God gives wisdom to the wise  
 and knowledge to those who have understanding.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

89 Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee

**\*DECLARATION OF PURPOSE**

Rev. Ron Carlson - Northwest District Superintendent

Brothers and sisters in Christ, this is a day of rejoicing. We come together to consecrate this building which by the favor of God and human labor has been so far completed, embodies the obligation of each generation to impart its treasures of wisdom and knowledge to the generation following.

For the fulfillment of this task we need not only the best that we can do but above all the blessing of almighty God. Let us, therefore, bring praise for God's aid in this undertaking, giving thanks for those who, by their gifts of their service, shall unite in fulfilling the purpose for which this building is prepared.

**Liturgist**  
 Rev. Hojin Shin  
**Pianists**  
 Rosemary Matthews  
 Kelley Fog  
**Choir Director**  
 Dave Fog  
**Bell Choir Director**  
 Melanie Flynn  
**Computer Operator**  
 Embrock Family  
**Greeters**  
 Dayton Strohman  
 Jared Frederick  
 Robert Frederick  
 Sean Brennan  
**Acolytes**  
 Hannah Noethe  
 Addison Fehr-Opheim  
**Ushers**  
 Sean Brennan  
 Robert Frederick  
 Ryan Brennan  
 Jared Frederick

We are grateful for this Family Life Center so the life of our congregation and community may be enhanced, deepened and enriched through meetings, social gatherings, youth activities, educational endeavors, the study of God's Word and for holy worship and spiritual renewal.

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

Bishop Laurie Haller - Iowa Annual Conference

**JOYS CONCERNS PRAYERS** Rev. Hojin Shin

**CHANCEL CHOIR**

**\*SCRIPTURE READING** Joshua 1:1-11, 3:14-17

*Joshua 1:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord said to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' aide: <sup>2</sup>"Moses my servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give to them—to the Israelites. <sup>3</sup>I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses. <sup>4</sup>Your territory will extend from the desert to Lebanon, and from the great river, the Euphrates—all the Hittite country—to the Mediterranean Sea in the west. <sup>5</sup>No one will be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you. <sup>6</sup>Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them.

<sup>7</sup>"Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. <sup>8</sup>Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do every thing written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. <sup>9</sup>Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

<sup>10</sup>So Joshua ordered the officers of the people: <sup>11</sup>"Go through the camp and tell the people, 'Get your provisions ready. Three days from now you will cross the Jordan here to go in and take possession of the land the Lord your God is giving you for your own.'"

*Joshua 3:14-17*

<sup>14</sup>So when the people broke camp to cross the Jordan, the priests carrying the ark of the covenant went ahead of them. <sup>15</sup>Now the Jordan is at flood stage all during harvest. Yet as soon as the priests who carried the ark reached the Jordan and their feet touched the water's edge, <sup>16</sup>the water from upstream stopped flowing. It piled up in a heap a great distance away, at a town called Adam in the vicinity of Zarethan, while the water flowing down to the Sea of the Arabah (that is, the Dead Sea) was

571 Go, Make of All Disciples

1. "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples." We hear the call, O Lord,  
 2. "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples," bap - tiz - ing in the name  
 3. "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples." We at thy feet would stay  
 4. "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples." We wel - come thy com - mand.

that comes from thee, our Fa - ther, in thy e - ter - nal Word.  
 of Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, from age to age the same.  
 un - til each life's vo - ca - tion ac - cents thy ho - ly way.  
 "Lo, I am with you al - ways." We take thy guid - ing hand.

In - spire our ways of learn - ing through ear - nest, fer - vent prayer,  
 We call each new dis - ci - ple to fol - low thee, O Lord,  
 We cul - ti - vate the na - ture God plants in ev - ery heart,  
 The task looms large be - fore us; we fol - low with - out fear;

and let our dai - ly liv - ing re - veal thee ev - ery - where.  
 re - deem - ing soul and bod - y by wa - ter and the Word.  
 re - veal - ing in our wit - ness the mas - ter teach - er's art.  
 in heaven and earth thy pow - er shall bring God's king - dom here.

WORDS: Leon M. Adkins, 1955, alt. (Mt. 28:19-20)  
 MUSIC: Henry T. Smart, 1835

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**Go, Make of All Disciples**

This hymn begins with the Great Commission (Mt 28:19-20). The poet then proceeds to offer those who sing this hymn a response to the words of Christ at the end of the Gospel of Matthew. In stanza one, "fervent prayer" leads to the transformation of our lives—lives that should reflect Christ "everywhere."

The Rev. Carlton R. Young, UM Hymnal editor, provides the context for this hymn: "The hymn was first sung at the commissioning of teachers and church school officials during Christian Education Week, 1955, at University Methodist Church, Syracuse, where the author was pastor.

89 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

1. Joy-ful, joy-ful, we a-dore thee, God of glo-ry, Lord of love;  
 2. All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re- flect thy rays,  
 3. Thou art giv- ing and for- giv- ing, ev- er bless- ing, ev- er blest,  
 4. Mor- tals, join the might- y cho- rus which the morn- ing stars be- gan;

hearts un- fold like flowers be- fore thee, open- ing to the sun a- bove.  
 stars and an- gels sing a- round thee, cen- ter of un- bro- ken praise.  
 well- spring of the joy of liv- ing, o- cean depth of hap- py rest!  
 love di- vine is reign- ing o'er us, bind- ing all with- in its span.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a- way.  
 Field and for- est, vale and moun- tain, flow- ery mead- ow, flash- ing sea,  
 Thou our Fa- ther, Christ our broth- er, all who live in love are thine;  
 Ev- er sing- ing, march we on- ward, vic- tors in the midst of strife;

Giv- er of im- mor- tal glad- ness, fill us with the light of day!  
 chant- ing bird and flow- ing foun- tain, call us to re- joice in thee.  
 teach us how to love each oth- er, lift us to the joy di- vine.  
 joy- ful mu- sic leads us sun- ward, in the tri- umph song of life.

Joyful, Joyful,  
 We Adore Thee

This joyful ode is one of the best-known hymns in the English language.

Henry Van Dyke

(1852-1933) was

inspired in 1907 by the

beauty of the Berkshire

mountains where he was

serving as a guest

preacher at

Williams College,

Williamstown, Mass.

Beethoven's "joyful

music" was adapted by

British composer

Edward Hodges

(1796-1867).

The United Methodist

Hymnal restores

Beethoven's original

syncopation that begins

the final line of each

stanza.

completely cut off. So the people crossed over opposite Jericho. <sup>17</sup> The priests who carried the ark of the covenant of the Lord stopped in the middle of the Jordan and stood on dry ground, while all Israel passed by until the whole nation had completed the crossing on dry ground.

MESSAGE OF LIFE "Wade or Watch?" Bishop Laurie Haller

\*PRESENTATION OF THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER

RECOGNITION

RECEIVING THE KEYS

\*PRESENTATION OF BUILDING

**We present this building to be consecrated to the glory of almighty God and for service in the preparation of God's people for discipleship.**

\*ACT OF CONSECRATION

Dear friends,

it is with joy that we gather to consecrate this building.

To the Glory of God and to the strengthening of God's reign in this community.

But the consecration of this building is vain without the consecration of those whose gifts it represents.

Let us give ourselves anew to the service of God:

our minds, that they may be renewed

after the image of Christ;

our bodies, that they may be fit temples

for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit;

and our labors, that they may be according to God's will,

and that their fruit may glorify God's name

and serve God's eternal purposes.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit

**WE CONSECRATE THIS BUILDING.**

To the grateful remembrance of all

who have loved and served this church

in the past, and for those who will serve in the future,

**WE CONSECRATE THIS BUILDING.**

To the spiritual enrichment of all

who shall come here seeking truth, knowledge,

goodness, mercy and grace,

**WE CONSECRATE THIS BUILDING.**

*In Our Prayers ...*

Steve & Lynne Farnsworth

Karen Chism

Sharon Hobart

Jane Stevens

Devin Morey

Abby Burns

Deb Weir

Irene Goff

Florence Malm

Richard Henrichs

Will Farlow

Carol Ensley

Joyce Muller

Lincoln Coakley (grandson

of Joann Coakley)

Scott Sanne (Grandson of

Pearl Whitmore)

Philip Christenson

(brother of Marge Solberg)

Kort Freeman

Lois Lowman

Ted Strohman

Deb Nissen (sister-in-law of

Deb Wickman)

Marjorie Solberg

Vi Sampson

*\*The families of members who*

*passed away, this past year*

*including:*

Rick Jones

Daryl Underwood

Wayne Truog

Keith Bare

Gwen Carmichael

Bev Hankey

Vida Krough

Ethel DeJung

Shirley Weisbrod,

Bernece Hersom

Bette Miller

*\*Those who have been*

*hospitalized & our military*

*members.*

## Ways to Serve...

Liturgist  
Greeters  
Acolytes  
Ushers

Children's Sermon  
Shekinah praise team  
Teach Sunday School  
Lead Youth Group  
Provide snacks  
for 345 Alive  
Provide meals  
for Jr/Sr UMYF  
Serve on Committees  
Help with special projects  
and events as needed  
Support in prayers

Ribbon Cutting & Coffee  
with  
Emmetsburg Chamber  
Join us here at  
the Family Life Center,  
on October 25, 2019  
at 9:30 AM,  
as we host  
the Emmetsburg Chamber  
with coffee and snacks.

To the loyal service of those whose training and devotion  
have prepared them to lead students toward the truth,  
**WE CONSECRATE THIS BUILDING.**

To that ministry of administration  
upon whose ability and faithfulness depends  
the wise conduct of our life together  
and our ministry in the world,  
**WE CONSECRATE THIS BUILDING.  
AND WE CONSECRATE OURSELVES ANEW  
TO THAT SERVICE OF HUMANITY  
IN WHICH WE PERFORM  
THE TRUE SERVICE OF GOD.**

### \*CLOSING PRAYER

Almighty God,  
hear us who gather here  
to consecrate ourselves to your service.  
Grant that those who come here,  
whether as leaders, staff, teachers, or students,  
may come with inquiring minds, honest purpose,  
and steadfast endeavor to do your holy will.  
We give thanks to you for all your servants,  
our parents, teachers, benefactors, and friends,  
by whose love and devotion  
we have come into our great inheritance  
of health, truth, and faith.  
Help us guard this treasure, be blessed by it, nurture it,  
and pass it on to the coming generation,  
that they may serve you;  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### \*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.**

### OFFERING

#### \*DOXOLOGY

95 Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

#### \*OFFERTORY Rev. Ron Carlson

#### \*CLOSING HYMN

571 Go, Make of all Disciples

#### \*BLESSING Bishop Laurie Haller

#### \*SONG OF SENDING FORTH

672 God Be with You till We Meet Again (verse 1)

### POSTLUDE

*"God Is Good All the Time!"*

### Sunday, September 29

9:00 AM Sunday School

9:45 AM Ribbon Cutting for Family Life Center

10:00 AM Worship Service & Consecration Service  
for Family Life Center @Family Life Center

\*Following Consecration Service will be a lunch and fellowship

### Monday, September 30

4:00 PM Intercessory Prayer @Emerald Oaks

### Tuesday, October 1

6:00 PM Intensified Prayer @War Room

### Wednesday, October 2

1:30 PM Upper Room @Emerald Oaks

1:30 PM 345 ALIVE

\*No Jr/Sr UMYF

### Thursday, October 3

2:00 PM Emerald Oaks Monthly Service

### Friday, October 4

*\*Office Closed*

### Sunday, October 6

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship Service

11:30 AM Confirmation

## Birthdays...

September  
29 Sadi Richerson  
30 Douglas Miller

## October

2 Arlene Aldrich  
Jon Jamison  
3 Maddy Anderson  
4 Howard Argabright  
Owen Rouse  
Tracey Henderson  
6 Alyvia Curry  
Carter Hudson

## Anniversaries...

October  
3 Larry & Julie Leners

## Attendance...

9/22/19 156

## Children's Can

### Collection...

Then Feed Just One  
\$ 110.22

## Empowering

### EFUMC Ministry...

General Fund \$ 2,803.00  
Youth Food \$ 200.00  
Then Feed  
Just One \$ 60.00  
Trustees \$ 35.00  
\$ 3,098.00

*Thank  
you*