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The Reason We Sing

Psalm 47:6 says, "Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!"

Have you ever heard the voice of a young child singing throughout the day just because he or she can? The sweetness of a little voice can easily bring a smile to any face. Even if the child is completely tone-deaf, it is still precious for that parent to hear the melody of the son or daughter. This is similar to how God must feel when we sing praises to Him. We worship Him and use the voices He gave to us out of pure delight and joy in our Creator.

As kids begin to grow up, something unfortunate happens. They become more self-conscious and aware of their own singing level. The house that was once filled with noise and musical tunes is now full of silence. How often have we allowed our praises to the Lord to snuff out because we begin to grow more like the world and ignore the child-like faith we are called to live out?

Part of the joy of a believer in Jesus is the gift of singing. We see this modeled in people throughout the Scriptures. In the Old Testament, we see Moses, Miriam, and king David. In the New Testament, we read of Paul and Silas singing in prison. We also see singing as an important act of worship in Revelation. This means that the future Heaven will be filled with singing.

Singing When We Don't Feel Like It

Something very difficult to do is to sing when you don't feel like it. Some days, singing might be the last thing that we feel like doing. However, the Lord can strengthen us through songs of praise. Many times when we feel as if we have nothing to bring to God, we have everything that we need, a humble spirit, and a willingness to worship. We see this found in many Psalms of David It can sound the emotions we have bottled up, it can express what we are unable to say clearly. The Lord knew when He created music that it would be a tool for proclaiming victory to Christ, a comfort to those who mourn, and a unifier for the church body.

Many times we see the psalms of David begin with a burden and then turn into praise. Our singing to God can help us to rid ourselves of our emotions or thoughts and refocus our attention on what truly matters and Who has us.

Sing praises to our King

This verse brings up the importance of God as our King. Just like a person might bring a song as a gift to royalty or do some type of presentation, we can offer our voices as a blessing to the Lord. He is the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords. We have been brought into His presence and are given the joy of having His Holy Spirit live within us. We can celebrate that we do not have to work hard to get a moment with the King, our King came down to us. We get to worship a personal God, who loves us and pursues us. 1 Chronicles 16:9 says, "Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts."

Emma Danzey

NEWS & NOTES

*Kent Men's Retreat- June 24-25-see Patrick Keller for details *Building clean up day June 18th 9am-12 noon

*Youth Rally hosted by Kent County Church of Christ in Rhode Island-June

4th

New directories are on the back table, please take one per family.

*Game Night -Saturday May 21st 7-9pm at the building. Bring your favorite game and snacks.

Spooner House has specific needs for towels, washcloths, pillow cases, toothbrushes and toothpaste.

We will be collecting toiletries for the battered women's shelter over the next few weeks.

Prayer request for bulletin may be sent to Margaret @ mrizzio07@gmail.com
*Please let us know if you are not receiving robocalls so we can update our list.

Tithing can be done either through the mail or via the tithely app **Spooner House** is in need! Donations may be dropped off at the church building or contact Ron. Weare also collecting travel size personal care items for abused women that come to the shelter.

To Our visitors: We welcome you to the worship service of the church of Christ that meets in Trumbull. Please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the collection plate when it is passed so that we may have a record of your attendance. If you have any questions concerning why we worship the way we do or what we believe, please feel free to ask. We would be happy to set aside time to study the Bible with you. Please let us know if we can be of service

Prayer Requests

- *Pray for **Paula**, **Bruce and Jody**, all recovering from covid. And congratulations to the McMullen family on the birth of their daughter **Claire Whitton** on 5/12/22. 5lb. 10 0zCongratulations to Bruce and Paula on the birth of their granddaughter.
- *Pray for **Fran** who is recovering from covid ,was hospitalized and is at Lord Chamberlain Rehab.
- *Pray for Pat Yagowski's daughter **Patrice**, suffering from tinnitus. She and **Javi** are recovering from covid.
- *Pray for **Rod and Julia Stanley** who lost their home to a fire. *Pray for the family of Kevin Haines whose wife passed away this week.
- *Pray for **Dorthea** and family, her sister Debbie past away this past week
- *Pray for **Donna Post** who will begin a new chemo regimen, also for the family
- *Pray for Nadine whois recovering from recent surgery.
- *Pray for **Toni Bonadio** who had a stroke is home recovering.
- *Pray for **Greg Cerminara** who is home from the hospital, but still needs more testing done.
- *Pray for Pamela Pimpton's friend **Karen Harvey** who has breast cancer.
- *Pray for **Skip French**,a close friend of Jay Repecko.
- *Pray for **Flo**'s health and Jay's job search.
- *Pray for **Jen Ruiz** who is struggling with severe vertigo.

- *Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- Judith Gomez, Donna Post, David Fritzinger, Cohen (Ron's friend), Sarah (Angela's niece), Teri (Ray's S-I-L)
- *Pray for our country & our leaders in government.
- *Pray for all the Ukrainian citizens and those trying to help them.
- *Pray for families, relatives, friends and people we are reaching out to, that they may turn to the Lord.
- *Special prayers for our church leaders.
- *Prayers for all families caring for their elderly or sick loved ones: Greg Payne caring for his mother ,Allie Saracino-Cherie, ,Dean Perkins-Mildred Perkins, Paula & Bruce-Fran.
- *Pray for: Pat Yagowski, Fran Elizus, Mildred Perkins,, Daniel Ruiz
- *Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses: Sylvia Sandoval, David Fitzinger, Nuris Gomez, Judith Gomez, Irene Aschen, Mel, Gladys Howley, Noah Darrow, Orion,, Tabitha, Karen O, Angela's mom Connie Scalzo, Anthony Katz., Jasmyn Malagutti,, Zak Pappas Fernandes., Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Taylor Rusin and Rocco's friends (Karolyn Kirchgesler & Joanne Karow) Cyrus (Zach's friend) dad who has brain cancer, Lance Flood, Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes.
- ~Tidal River Christian Camp- info on back table. See Pat Keller for details.
- ~Next year our congregation will be celebrating it's 150th anniversary. Please let us know if you would be interested in helping to plan this event.
- *Anyone interested in helping with **World Bible School** contact Ron
- *Opportunities to serve: any men willing to participate in worship service in other capacities for the church, please contact Bruce Post. Anyone interested in leading and/or helping with the building or church house maintenance please contact Bruce Pancoast.

Please bring nonperishable food items for the **Spooner House** - a list of all items needed is on back table: Jelly/Jam/Peanut Butter, Cereal/Oatmeal, Canned Meats: Chicken, Tuna, Corned Beef Hash, Canned Ravioli/Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit/Applesauce, Crackers/Snacks, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Ramen, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Baked beans/Pork and Beans, Canned/Dried Beans (i.e. Black, Chick Pea, Cannellini, Kidney, Pinto), Rice/Rice-A-Roni, Soup/Stew/Chili, Instant/Canned Potatoes/Yams. Bring these food items to the building to be delivered to the Spooner House. Please make sure that items do not have expired dates. Thank you

Wednesday Bible Classes: 7:00 p.m canceled til

further notice, participate online via Zoom Sunday Bible Class 10 am @ church building

Worship Service @ 11 am

Elders: Bruce Pancoast 203-452- 0426 Ron Saracino 203-913-8345 Minister: Ron Saracino 203-913-8345 Spanish Ministry: Elmer Sandavol

914-914-486-9146

Deacons: Ray Fernandes 203-459- 0284 **Luis Ruiz** 203-610-2396 Week of 5/15/2022
Online Bible Study and service
Go Trumbull Church of Christ website
trumbullchurchofchrist.org
Song Leader:Derin Wilson
Lord's Table: Bruce Post
Closing Prayer: Kris Eddy

May8-May 14 Donations: \$1539 Expenses: \$3945