

Kirk in the Hills is planning a pilgrimage of spiritual growth and enrichment to Egypt. We will encounter the religious experiences of the ancient Egyptians and discover the roots of our own Biblical origins. This is a country that saved Jacob's family from starvation, educated Moses, and shielded Jesus from Herod's wrath.

We will have the opportunity to visit the monumental remains of Pharaonic Egypt with its magnificent historical treasures as well as modern Egypt's mosques, squares and the Nile. We will visit the cities of Cairo, Alexandria and Luxor.

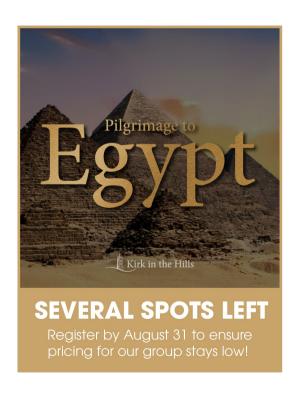
We will meet members of the Coptic church, visit some of the oldest mosques and learn what it is like to live as a Christian in a predominantly Muslim country.

Our tour guide is the esteemed Old Testament scholar, Dr. Theodore Hiebert. He has a Ph.D. in Classical Hebrew and Hebrew Scriptures, a M.Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary and a B.A. in English Literature from Fresno Pacific University. Dr Hiebert's research has been primarily in the Pentateuch and the Prophets. (Information courtesy of McCormick Theological Seminary)

The cost of this trip including all airfares and five-star hotels is \$4,295 per person/double occupancy. Registration and further details can be viewed below. We have just more than 10 slots left to fill to reach our price threshold. Register by August 31 to ensure pricing for our group stays low!

If you have any questions, please contact Ruth Reading at 248-875-1371 or at sterlingdesigns@yahoo.com.

Join us for a *Pilgrimage to Egypt* Q&A about the pilgrimage during *The Daily News & The Good News* class on August 21. Our guide for this trip, Dr. Theodore Hiebert, will be with us. If you are considering attending the pilgrimage, this is a great opportunity to learn more!



THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

9:00 a.m. Outdoor Worship

GARDEN CLUB FOR CHILDREN

(parents may drop their children, ages 3 to grade 5, at the garden upon arrival to outdoor worship.)

GATHERING

PRELUDE When the Poor Ones José Antonio Olivar and Miguel Manzano

When the poor ones, who have nothing, still are giving;

When the thirsty pass the cup, water to share;

When the wounded offer others strength and healing:

We see God, here by our side, walking our way;

When compassion gives the suffering consolation; When expecting brings to birth hope that was lost; When we choose love, not the hatred all around us: We see God, here by our side, walking our way;

When our spirits, like a chalice, brim with gladness; When our voices, full and clear, sing out the truth; When our longings, free from envy, seek the humble: We see God, here by our side, walking our way;

When the goodness poured from heaven fills our dwellings;

When the nations work to change war into peace; When the stranger is accepted as our neighbor: We see God, here by our side, walking our way;

Lauren Greco, mezzo-soprano

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PASTORAL CONCERNS

OUR FAITH IN ACTION Pilgrimage to Egypt Neal Yousif

* CALL TO WORSHIP When Jesus was asked which was the greatest commandment,

He replied:

"Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God,

The Lord is one;

You shall love the Lord your God

With all your heart, and with all your soul, And with all your mind, And with all your strength.

And you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

* HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King

Italian Hymn

Come, thou almighty King, Help us thy name to sing; Help us to praise: Father, all-glorious, O'er all victorious, Come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear In this glad hour! Thou, who almighty art, Now rule in every heart, And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.

To thee, great One in Three, Eternal praises be, Hence evermore! Thy sovereign majesty May we in glory see, And to eternity Love and adore.

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ransom, Wisdom, Word, Teacher, Servant,
King, Judge, Advocate, Mediator,
Cornerstone, Living Water, Dawn,
Bread of Life, Holy Father, Protective Mother,
Servant, Shepherd, Light of the World, Lord
And Friend.
We confess that we forget and ignore
The height, breadth and depth
Of your revelation to us in Jesus Christ.
Help us to love you
With all our heart, soul, strength, and mind,
That we might live in the fullness of your love for us
And for the world. Amen.

Holy God, you are our Savior, Rock, Hope,

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. Behold, the past is finished and gone; a new life has begun Believe and share the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!

PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

SOLO He Looked Beyond My Fault

Dottie Rambo

Amazing grace shall always be my song of praise, For it was grace that brought my Liberty. I'll never know just why he came to love me so, He looked beyond my fault and saw my need. I shall forever lift my eyes to Calvary, To view the cross where Jesus died for me. How marvelous the grace that caught my falling soul.

He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.

WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 17:16-31

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Salvation from 20,000 Feet

Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald

SENDING

* HYMN

Will You Come and Follow Me

Kelvingrove

"Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"

"Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen? And admit to what I mean in you and you in me?"

"Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where Your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

CARILLON RECITAL Jonathan Lehrer, East Lansing, MI

Carillon programs are available from the ushers or in literature racks.

Garden worshippers are encouraged to drop off donations in the baskets located at the Celtic Cross near the exit as you depart.

Please see notes on page 11.

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship

THE CARILLON

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

OPENING VOLUNTARY Andante Religioso from 4th Organ Sonata Felix Mendelssohn

The New Commonwealth

Ralph Vaughan Williams Felix Mendelssohn

Italian Hymn

Andante - Finale from 6th Organ Sonata

* Please rise in body or spirit at the ringing of the tower bell.

* INTROIT Lift Thine Eyes to the Mountains Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

Lift thine eyes,

O lift thine eyes to the mountains,

whence cometh help.

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* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 2 Come Thou Almighty King

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* KYRIE ELEISON John Merbecke

> Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

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* GLORIA PATRI Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,

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and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR FAITH IN ACTION Pilgrimage to Egypt

Neal Yousif

PRAYER

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER When the Poor Ones

José Antonio Olivar and Miguel Manzano arr. David Carle

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THANKSGIVING

* HYMN 634 To God Be the Glory To God Be the Glory

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Our giving is an offering to God. All offerings, whether made in the worship service or outside of it, are part of our worship of God and are used to support the Kirk's ministry.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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I shall forever lift my eyes to Calvary, To view the cross where Jesus died for me.

How marvelous the grace that caught my falling soul. He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.

* DOXOLOGY Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Old Hundredth

praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

WORD

CHORAL PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Munich

O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,

O Truth unchanged, unchanging,

O Light of our dark sky,

we praise thee for the radiance that from the hallowed page, a lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 17:16-31 (Pew Bible, NT. page 137)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON Salvation from 20,000 Feet Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald

SENDING

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 726 Will You Come and Follow Me Kelvingrove

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION (Seated)

CHORAL AMEN

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Postlude on Old Hundredth Fred Bock

CARILLON RECITAL Jonathan Lehrer, East Lansing, MI

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Worship/Music Notes

Today we look at *Salvation from 20,000 feet*, and the many ways which salvation in Christ transforms our lives. The sanctuary introit is Mendelssohn's *Lift Thine Eyes to the Hills* from his oratorio *Elijah*. This beautiful trio is a setting of Psalm 121, that evokes peace and calm amidst the hopelessness Elijah feels after escaping from those who threaten his life. Whether in despair, chaos, or confusion, all we need is to "lift our eyes to the hills from whence comes our help," and the Lord will deliver us. Our opening hymn of praise, *Come Thou Almighty King*, invites God to be with as King, save us as Word, and in us as Comforter, so that we would see God's glory in eternity, where we will "love and adore" him.

As we come to a time of prayer (and in the garden prelude), the soloist and choir sing *When the Poor Ones*, arranged by today's organist, David Carle. Originally in Spanish, this text speaks of a God who journeys with us, and whom we find when we give comfort to the stranger and hope to the hopeless. We prepare for the offertory by giving thanks for the "great things he has done" with the hymn *To God Be the Glory*. In recognizing our need for salvation, the soloist sings *He Looked Beyond My Fault*, a setting of Londonderry Air (better known as "Danny Boy") by gospel great Dottie Rambo. The poignancy of the simple words reflects the necessary gratitude for our salvation: "Amazing grace shall always be my song of praise" because "He looked beyond fault and saw my need."

After the Word is proclaimed, we sing The Summons, *Will You Come and Follow Me*, which illustrates many forms of salvation as the blinded see, the prisoners are set free, the leper is clean, and faith is found over fear. Let us answer Christ, who calls our name, with a commitment to follow him and "never be the same."

Stephen Ministers are available for personal, confidential prayer in Melrose Chapel (*to the left, when facing forward in the sanctuary*) immediately following service each Sunday. If you or someone you know is in need of prayer please contact Nancy Lau at 248-835-6691.



Tour Kirk in the Hills each Sunday! Those interested in a brief tour are asked to meet in the Baptistry, to the right of the Chancel, after the 11:00 a.m. service. See an usher for direction or further details.

Join us for coffee and fellowship on the patio after the 9:00 a.m. worship service!

The flowers on the altar are presented to the glory of God in loving memory of Robert Cameron Jones by his daughter, Ann and Mark Chaffin and grandsons, Gordon and Neil Chaffin.

A garden memorial is presented to the glory of God in loving memory of Loralee Susan Willard by her mother, Cherie Dubats, her son, Matthew James Willard, her daughter Kathrin Patricia Willard, and her brother, Jim Simpson.

About today's cover art

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Timothy Botts is an artist who has a focus of calligraphy. He was born in Pennsylvania and currently resides in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. He is well known for his transformation of bible verses into pieces art.

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About today's Organist

David Carle, DMA, has been a singer, choral conductor, and organist for five decades, performing in recital as both a singer and as organist, and in choral repertoire as conductor, soloist, or accompanist. He has taught music at the university level in Kentucky, New Brunswick, New York, Ontario, and Michigan. He has composed or arranged over 80 of works for voice, both solo and choral, with a number of those being commissions. Hobbies include reading, swimming, and cooking.







We envision a world where every heart experiences God's transforming love.

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