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## PDA Update from Ukraine

September 14. Triggered by the sustained conflict, millions of Ukrainians have been displaced within the country, seeking safety and security in the regions outside of the battle zones. Among the internally displaced population, it is a persistent challenge to secure adequate shelter and treatment for patients with chronic mental illness. Consequently, the Turya Remetivsky mental health facility in Zakarpatska Oblast (western Ukraine) has risen to meet this challenge by accommodating displaced men who have been evacuated from other institutions in the country. The facility is currently home to 330 men with chronic mental illness, and has about 200 employees including medical, technical and administrative staff. The residents of the facility receive long-term accommodation, medical treatment, rehabilitation, daily meals, hygiene and personal care, clothing, and other basic needs.

A grant from Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is providing the resources for the reconstruction and equipping of an entire wing of the building that was previously unusable. Funding under this grant is providing for the complete rehabilitation of seven rooms, an entrance hall and a small storage area, adding space for 60 more residents. Furthermore, since the facilities were built before World War II, the areas to be renovated require infrastructure updates and repairs to the sewage system. Work on the sewage system is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

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SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

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SEPTEMBER 24, AFTER WORSHIP

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## Music Notes for September 24

This week, the service opens with *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above*. Some attribute the musical composition of the hymn known as LYONS to Johann Michael Haydn (1737-1806), the younger brother of Franz Joseph Haydn. Although Franz Joseph is the more famous composer today, he considered his brother to be the superior composer of religious music. Others state Joseph Martin Kraus (1756-1792) as the creator of the tune. Kraus was born in Germany and he spent the latter part of his life in Sweden, rising to the rank of court composer for King Gustavus III. Franz Joseph Haydn considered Kraus to be “one of the greatest geniuses I have ever met.”

### WORSHIP THIS WEEK:

**PSALM 145:1-9**

**MATTHEW 20: 1-16**

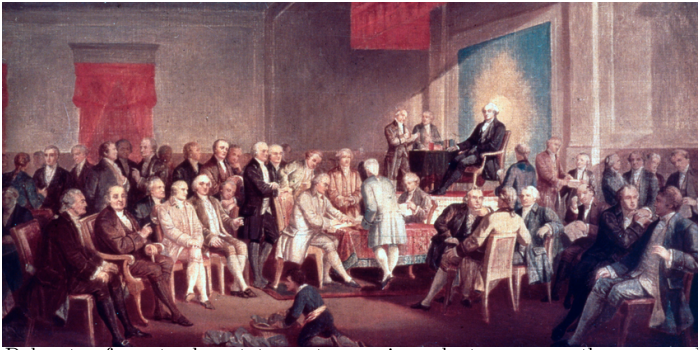
**SERMON: 'SCANDAL.'**



The closing hymn this week is one of the most beloved in Christendom, *How Great Thou Art*. The music originated in a song by the Naga tribe from Assam near Burma (known today as Myanmar). Mennonite missionaries transcribed the music, which caught the attention of Baptist minister James Edwin Orr. He then attached the English translation to the tune and introduced it at the Forest Home Christian Conference Center in the San Bernardino Mountains in California. Soon afterward, Billy Graham heard the hymn and in the 1950s, *How Great Thou Art* became the signature song of his crusades. When the publication *Christianity Today* polled its readers for their favorite hymn back in 2001, *How Great Thou Art* came in second, behind *Amazing Grace*.

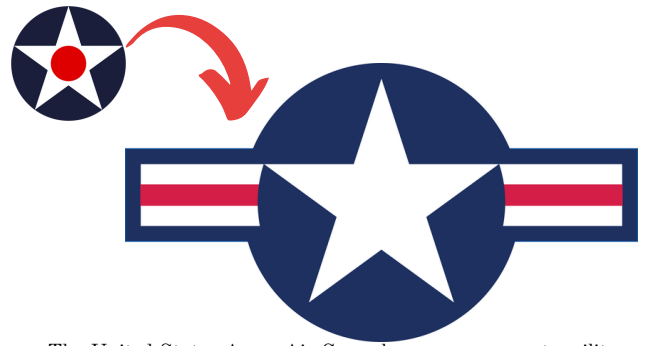
Worship returns to the Sanctuary this week!

# This Week in History.



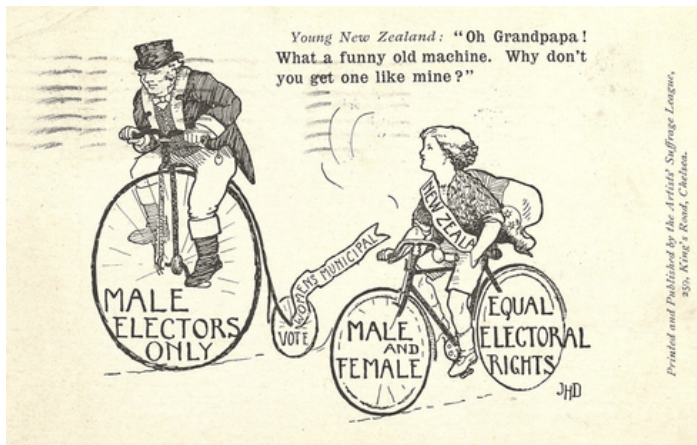
Delegates from twelve states vote unanimously to approve the proposed U.S. Constitution.

September 17, 1787



The United States Army Air Corps becomes a separate military service: the U.S. Air Force.

September 18, 1947



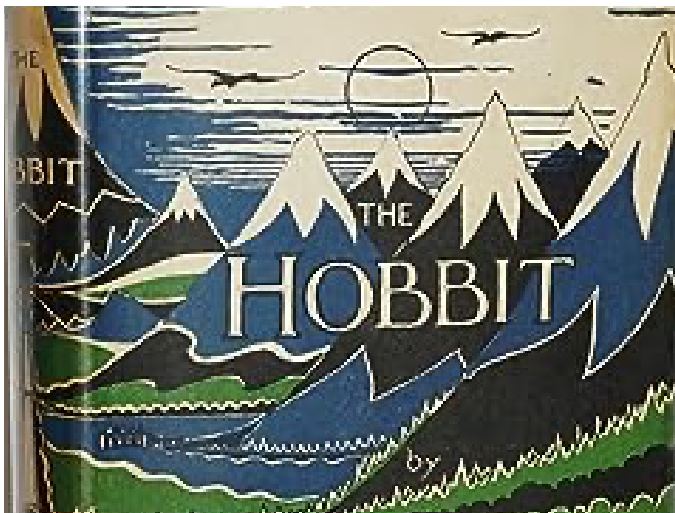
New Zealand became the first country to grant women the right to vote.

September 19 1893



Trading on the New York Stock Exchange is curtailed for the first time in history as a result of a banking crisis during the financial Panic of 1873.

September 20, 1873



The Hobbit, by J.R.R.Tolkien is published by George Allen & Unwin, Ltd. of London.

September 21, 1937



British scientist Michael Faraday is born in Surrey, England. His discovery of electromagnetic induction proved that moving a magnet through a coil of wire produces a current, resulting in the development of electric generators.

September 22, 1791



The Autumnal Equinox occurs at 1:37 a.m. EDT, heralding the beginning of Autumn in the Northern Hemisphere.

September 23