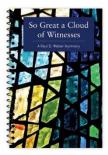
The Reverend Dr. Paul Weber and his wife, Organist Florence Jowers, will lead a Hymn Sing at St. John's on Sunday, November 19, from 11:15 am to noon. Dr. Weber will introduce songs from his expansive new hymn collection, *So Great a Cloud of Witnesses*. Participants will enjoy hearing the background and theology of the hymns before they are sung, affirm the importance of congregational singing, and discover the biblical basis for the Church's song. Dr. Weber's original music beautifully portrays his own texts and those of prominent hymn writers such as Jaroslav Vajda, Olive Wise Spannaus, and Erik Routley. Pastor Weber and his wife are the proud parents of our longtime music director, Erin Blackwood, and grandparents of Kaia and Emery. Over the years Dr. Weber's music has been a regular feature of our worship services.



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Pastor Weber is Prof. Emeritus of Church Music at Lenoir-Rhyne University, Hickory, NC, and past Conductor of the Lenoir-Rhyne University A Cappella Choir. His hymns are found in various hymnals including our own **Lutheran Service Book** at #455, *The Royal Banners Forward Go*. Accompanist for the Hymn Sing will be Florence Jowers, who served as Lenoir-Rhyne University Organist and Conductor of the Lenoir-Rhyne Youth Chorus for many years. Married for forty-five years, in retirement Florence and Paul live in the town of Staunton in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia and travel often to visit their three children and six grandchildren.