

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
**Welcome to Sunday Service**  
**August 11, 2024**

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

**Pastor:** *Rev. Jaime Torres*  
Ringing of Outdoor Bell @ 10:00 AM

**Liturgist:** *Martha Gentry*  
**Reader :** *Judi Hartshorn*

**\*Gathering Hymn:** *“Open the Eyes of My Heart” “Shine Jesus, Shine”*

**\*Call to Worship**

Liturgist: We gather today knowing there are people in our world who are surrounded by violence and conflict on every side.

**People: Our work of peace begins with prayer.**

Liturgist: We gather today knowing there are people in our community who feel lost, alone, abandoned, and forgotten.

**People: Our work of love begins with prayer.**

Liturgist: We gather today knowing there are people in this place, this neighborhood, this world that we all share who experience overwhelming grief, despair, and sorrow.

**People: Our work of hope begins with prayer.**

Liturgist: We gather not to look away from the world but to witness the needs of our neighbors through the lens of God’s love.

**All: May we be a people who pray and, out of praying, do the work of bringing peace, love, and hope to all we encounter. Amen.**

**Prayer of Confession**

**All:** O God of compassion, if you kept a record of our sins, who could stand? We come before you with our brokenness and our wounds for all to see. We bring our anger, our bitterness, our unwholesome talk, and our deceitfulness. We try to do good, but sometimes fail. We choose to do evil, and sometimes succeed. Keep your promise to forgive us when we confess to you completely. Without you, we have no hope.

**Words of Assurance**

**All:** If we confess our sins, God is faithful and will forgive us. God provides freely, in the bread of heaven, all the mercy we need for life everlasting. The good news is forgiveness in the name of Christ Jesus.

**Liturgist:** Passing the Peace: May the peace of Christ be with you/ Bienvenido y Saludo de la Paz

**People: And, with you!** (Please be brief as you pass the peace of Christ and greet one another.)

**\*Children's Message**

*Susan Johnson*

**\*Prayer before the Offering**

**Liturgist:** Merciful God, in this time of offering, we come before you, acknowledging your steadfast grace and boundless love. As we present our gifts, may we also offer our contrite hearts, recognizing the depth of our humanity and the need for your healing touch. Grant us the courage to confront our failings and the wisdom to seek reconciliation and renewal in your divine presence. Amen. (2 Samuel 11:26 - 12:13a)

**\*Offertory**      *Song / Music*

*Joy Asenas*

**\*Prayers, Concerns and Celebrations of the week**

**Pastor:** The Lord’s Prayer

**UMH# 895**

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.

**\*Preparation Hymn**      *“Sweet Hour of Prayer”*      **UMH# 496**

**\*Scripture Readings**

*Old Testament- Martha Gentry 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15,31-33*

*New Testament – Judi Hartshorn John 6:35, 41-51*

**Message “Prayers of the People”**      Rev. Jaime Torres

**\*Hymn of Commitment**      *“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”*      **UMH# 430**

**Liturgist Announcements:** Food Share Aug 17; Coffee House meets at Mc Donalds Wednesday’s 11:00am; Date Night Aug 23 5:30pm-8:30pm; Paul Nielsen Memorial Aug 24.

**\*Prayer for Going Forth** *Liturgist and People: Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. In Jesus' name. Amen. (J. Wesley, England, 18<sup>th</sup> Century).*

**Blessings for the people** (Pastor)

Beloved, may God’s grace open your hearts to recognize the needs of your neighbors; may God’s mercy fill your prayers, and may God’s peace empower you to share the goodness and blessing you receive from God with all. Amen.

**\*Closing song**

*May the God of Peace be with you, holding you in strong fingered hands, and may you be an instrument of God's peace, to those whose hands you hold, and may the blessings of peace, be with you, be with you, be with you. (Means to stand as you are able: in body or in spirit.)*

**OUR APPRECIATION TO:**

Pastor  
Liturgist  
Reader  
Greeters  
Pianist  
Hand Bell Choir Director  
Adult Education Director  
Lay Leader  
Videographer  
Office Admin

Rev. Jaime Torres  
Susan Johnson  
Marcia Heerema  
You  
Joy Asena  
Marcia Heerema  
Laura Shaw  
Susan Johnson  
Eric Nelson  
Cristina Ramos

**Upcoming Events**

**Book Study**

The Screwtape Letters by C . S. Lewis  
Tuesdays 1:00 – 3:00 PM  
Laura Shaw facilitating on ZOOM

**Our Mission**

Bardsdale United Methodist Church is a loving, caring,  
Christ centered church,  
growing in relationship with God, ourselves, and all others.

**Our Vision**

With God's help we will  
Foster personal growth,  
Promote participation by all ages,  
Embrace new ideas, and  
Be more visible and engaged in our community.

**August Birthdays**

4<sup>th</sup> Veronica Morris  
5<sup>th</sup> Carolyn Diaz (Anniversary)  
6<sup>th</sup> Michael Mitchell  
Gracie Mitchell  
17<sup>th</sup> David Mitchell  
19<sup>th</sup> Rev. J T Guzman  
28<sup>th</sup> Susan Johnson  
Max Mitchell  
30<sup>th</sup> Rev. Joel Hortiales

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**God of Hope, our lives are filled with so many reasons for despair.  
Loneliness abounds, uncertainty overwhelms, and suffering feels constant.  
Fill us with the warmth of your love and inspire us to extend a hand, a hug,  
a smile, a gesture of connection in a disconnected world.**

Bishop – Rev. Dr. *Dottie Escobedo-Frank*

North District DS – Rev. *Garth Gilliam*