

SUNDAY WORSHIP
Welcome to Sunday Service
October 13, 2024

Twenty - First Sunday after Pentecost

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

Liturgist: Tom Somers
Reader: Laura Shaw

***Gathering Hymn:** *“He Has Made Me Glad” “Change My Heart Oh God”*

***Call to Worship**

Liturgist: We gather to listen to the voice of Jesus say, “Come, follow me!” But will you follow when Jesus also calls you to release the hold wealth has on you?

All: We want to follow Jesus anywhere he leads, and we can with God’s help.

Liturgist: We gather to remember all that God has taught us through scripture, tradition, reason, and experience. But what about when we have to put what we know into action?

All: We want to put our faith into action, and we can with God’s help.

Liturgist: We gather to live into God’s economy of abundance, recognizing the riches of the prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness that surround us. But what about when the world tempts us back into scarcity?

All: We want to turn away from scarcity and choose God’s abundance, and we can with God’s help.

Liturgist: We gather to shine as a beacon of a new way of living where following Jesus means sharing in God’s abundant gifts together. But will you keep shining when others try to pull you astray, putting the pursuit of wealth before the pursuit of God?

All: With God’s help, we will resist the pull of wealth and the fear of scarcity and pursue the way of love, abundance, and flourishing for all creation. Amen.

Prayer of Confession All: God of grace: we offer you, our lives. We confess we are often stingy in our gifts of time, of talents, of treasures. We confess our addiction to the drugs of consumerism and that, as your church, we have often fallen headlong into the culture’s seduction. Forgive us and free us to joyful simplicity, that we may be signs of grace to your world. Amen.

Silent Prayers may be offered.

Liturgist: Passing the Peace: May the peace of Christ be with you

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

Liturgist: *Prayer before the Offering

God of grace and mercy, as we bring our gifts before you today, we remember your infinite love that welcomes everyone, especially the vulnerable and the overlooked. Just as Jesus embraced the little children, we bring our offerings, hoping to reflect our dedication to living out your kingdom’s values. Help us to see and meet the needs around us with open hearts and willing hands, extending your grace

and compassion to all. Bless these gifts and use them to further your work in our community and beyond, so everyone may know and feel your love. Amen. (Mark 10:2-16)

*Offertory Song / Music

Joy Asenas

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

Pastor: The Lord’s Prayer

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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**

“ What a Friend We Have in Jesus ” UMH # 526

***Scripture Readings**

Old Testament – Tom Somers Psalm 22:1-15

New Testament – Laura Shaw Mark 10:17-31

Message “Needles and Camels”

Rev. Jaime Torres

***Hymn of Commitment**

“ O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee ” UMH #430

***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, 18th Century).

Liturgist Announcements: Coffee House meets at McDonalds Thursday’s 11:00am; Food Share October 19th; Bardsdale Anniversary October 27th.

Blessings for the people (Pastor)

May God bless you with courage to turn from the riches the world values, trust to choose God’s economy over the world’s economy, and opportunities to discover God’s abundance over and over and over again. **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:

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

Jaime Torres
Tom Somers
Laura Shaw
You
Joy Asena
Marcia Heerema
Laura Shaw
Susan Johnson
Eric Nelson
Cristina Ramos

Upcoming Events

Bardsdale Anniversary

October 27

Out Of Egypt

Tuesday's 1:00 – 3:00 P.M.
Laura Shaw facilitating through ZOOM

Bible and Book Studies

Disciple 1 Bible Study
Monday's 10:00 – 12:00 Noon
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.

October Birthdays

31st Laura Shaw

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For those of us who are focused on stewardship this month, today's Gospel reading offers a lot of potential ... potential for engagement, potential for exploring the meaning of generosity, and the potential for tying ourselves up in interpretive and linguistic knots!

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

North District DS – Rev. *Garth Gilliam*