SUNDAY WORSHIP February 16, 2025 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany, Year C

Pastor: Jaime Torres
Ringing of Outdoor Bell @ 10:00 AM
Liturgist: Heather Nielsen
Reader: Tom Somers

*Gathering Hymn: "Lord I Lift Your name on High" "For Your Name Is Holy"

Call to Worship

Liturgist: Jesus declared, "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God."

All: May we learn to depend on God's abundant provision instead of the world's grasping for wealth as we worship today.

Liturgist: Jesus declared, "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled."

All: May we learn to follow Christ's call to provide for the hungry as co-creators of God's kingdom as we worship today.

Liturgist: Jesus declared, "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh."

All: May we learn to pay attention to those who suffer and mourn and to extend God's comfort and hope to those who need it as we worship today.

Liturgist: Jesus declared, "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man."

All: May our worship teach us to rejoice in that day and every day as we live out the good news in our families, neighborhoods, community, and world!

*Prayer of Confession All:

Merciful Lord, we pause to confess that sometimes we listen to the advice of the ungodly. We know better, but for some reason, we listen anyway. Forgive us. The lure of a quick fix, easy money, or pleasure turned our heads away from you, Lord. Forgive us. We knew it was wrong as soon as we did it, but pride kept us from backing out of our decision. Forgive us. Teach us the joy of being righteous. Show us how to delight in being holy. Remind us that new life in Christ means new thoughts, new ways, new decisions. Forgive us for failing to trust you in all things. Amen.

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

Offertory Song / Music Joy Asenas

Gracious God, who blesses us in our brokenness and rejoices with us in our joy, we bring these gifts as an offering of hope and love. May they be used to heal the hurting, feed the hungry, and welcome the weary. Help us to be a community that reflects your kingdom, where all find acceptance and grace. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen. (Luke 6:17-26)

*Doxology: UMH # 94

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 "O How I Love Jesus" UMH # 170

Scripture Readings Old Testament – Jeremiah 17:5-10
New Testament – Luke 6:17-26

Message "Rejoice in that Day" By Jaime Torres

*Hymn of Commitment "Jesus Calls Us" UMH # 398

<u>Prayer for Going Forth Liturgist and People</u>: 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: Music Class: Mondays at One Step at 5:00 p.m.; Coffee House: Fridays at Starbucks at 11:00 a.m.; Pastoral Visits: Thursdays and Fridays – call to request; February Thursday 13th SPRC 10:30 am; A new Lenten Study, "<u>The Six Miracles of Calvary</u>", will begin Tuesday, February 25th at 1:00pm to 3:00pm on ZOOM. Laura Shaw will be facilitating. Everyone is welcome! Please call Laura if you have any questions. Governing Board meeting Wednesday February 19th at 3:00pm; Office will be closed Monday February 17th in Observance of Presidents day.

Blessings for the people (Pastor)

Beloved, go today in the blessing of Christ, who calls you, equips you, and accompanies you as you live out God's justice and joy wherever you go! 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.

^{*}Please stand as you are able in body or spirit

OUR APPRECIATION TO:

Jaime Torres Pastor Liturgist Heather Nielsen Reader **Tom Somers** You Greeters **Pianist** Joy Asenas Hand Bell Choir Director Marcia Heerema **Adult Education Director** Laura Shaw Lay Leader Susan Johnson Videographer Eric Nelson Office Admin Cristina Ramos

Upcoming Events

Bible and Book Studies

"Disciple 1"
Monday's 10:00 – 12:00 Noon
Laura Shaw facilitating on ZOOM

"The Six Miracles of Calvary"
Tuesday's 1:00 – 3:00pm
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.

February Birthdays

24th Edie Swetman

Valentines pot luck after service

BARDSDALE

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We are familiar with the beatitudes, Matthew's version of these sayings from Jesus. We aren't as well versed in the Sermon on the Plain, which is our text for this week.