SUNDAY WORSHIP July 27, 2025

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, YEAR C

Please silence your cell phones.

Ringing of Outdoor Bell @ 10:00 AM

Liturgist: Judi Hartshorn
Reader: Martha Gentry

*Gathering Hymn: "Forever" "Come Now Is the Time to Worship"

Call to Worship

Liturgist: Children of God, when the journey ahead seems long and hard, full of unknown dangers and all-too-real risks, remember:

All: Keep the faith. God, who made us alive, is our Guardian and Guide.

Liturgist: When the voices on the side of the road tempt us with their misinformation full of unearned certainty, simple solutions, and quickness to blame and shame those who disagree with them, remember:

All: Stay the course. God, who made us alive, is our Wisdom and Judge.

Liturgist: When those in power place barriers in our way, making it harder to share the love of God in our communities, trying to convince us it is easier to do nothing than remain firm in God's call to act for the flourishing of all our neighbors, remember:

All: Do not be afraid. God, who made us alive, is our Strength and our Advocate.

Liturgist: Children of God, come! Let us worship God, whose persistent love empowers us to persevere, to stay the course, to live by faith and not fear.

All: Come, let us worship God, who makes us alive, through grace to love and serve God and one another.

*Prayer of Confession All:

We do not find it easy to speak of how we do not live as your people, but you call us to share our weaknesses and failures with you, Inviting God. Tempted to think your salvation is for a select few, we put up barriers for others. Clinging to all you give to us, we are reluctant to share with those in need. Surrounded by evil and violence, we find it easier to close ranks with those just like us, rather than seeking peace and reconciliation for our world. Forgive us, God of our salvation. Open our hearts to our siblings all around us. Open our minds to the word of hope you speak to us. Open our spirits to the presence of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who flings wide the open doors of your kingdom, that all might find life with you.

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

Living and redeeming God, in Christ, you have made us fully alive, setting us free from all that would hold us captive. As we bring these gifts, we do so in gratitude, abounding in thanksgiving for your grace. May these offerings be signs of our rootedness in you, bearing fruit for your kingdom.

Let them be used to bring hope, healing, and new life to those in need. Keep us steadfast in Christ, walking in faith and filled with the joy of your transforming love. In the name of the one who makes us whole, we pray. Amen. (Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19))

Offertory Song / Music Joy Asenas

*Doxology: UMH # 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" UMH # 384

Scripture Readings Old Testament Psalm 85

New Testament Colossians 2:6-19

Message "Made you Alive" By Rev. Jaime Torres

*Hymn of Commitment "Close to Thee" UMH # 407

<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: Continued prayers for Laura Shaw & Josh Trapasso; Pastor will attend Clergy (August 12-14) at Indian Wells.

Blessings for the people (Pastor)

Go now in the blessing and power of God who gives us life, that you may grow in faith and live as bearers of love and life everywhere 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:

Rev.
Liturgist
Reader
Greeters
Pianist
Children's Sermon
Adult Education Director
Lay Leader
Videographer
Office Admin

Jaime Torres
Judi Hartshorn
Martha Gentry
You
Joy Asenas
Marcia Heerema
Laura Shaw
Susan Johnson
Eric Nelson
Cristina Mendez

Upcoming Events

Bible and Book Studies

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

"Embracing the Uncertain"
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.

July Birthdays

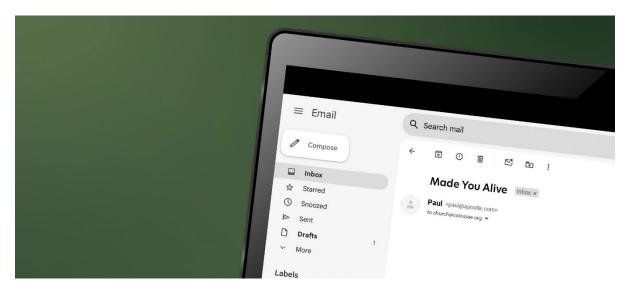
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How have you encountered God in the fullness of who you are-body, mind, and spirit-in this church community?

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

North District DS – Rev. Garth Gilliam