

SUNDAY WORSHIP
August 17, 2025
TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, YEAR C
Please silence your cell phones.

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

Liturgist: Dan Michel
Reader: Joanna Michel

***Gathering Hymn: “Lord I Lift Your Name on High” “Forever”**

Call to Worship

Liturgist: Children of God, for the sake of the joy, we gather...

All: We gather to worship, to encounter grace, to grow in faith.

Liturgist: For the sake of the joy, we proclaim...

All: We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, the love of God that surrounds us and forms us into a community marked by love for God, self, neighbor, and all creation.

Liturgist: For the sake of the joy, we respond...

All: We respond with our lives, ready to embody our faith as agents of God’s already-and-not-yet kingdom.

Liturgist: For the sake of the joy, God sends us...

All: God sends us into the world to meet our neighbors with the defiant joy and persevering love of the gospel today and every day.

Liturgist: Come, let us worship the Triune God who dwells with us as we gather, proclaim, respond, and go forth from this place.

All: Come, let us worship! Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Prayer of Confession All:**

Forgive us, Righteous God. Have mercy when we do not bear the fruit we could. Even though we have not lived our faith to the fullest, may we receive the promises of hope and grace you have given to us in Christ Jesus, our Lord. 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.)

***Children's Message**

Marcia Heerema

Liturgist: Prayer before the Offering

Enduring and Gracious God, you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, those who have gone before us and those who walk beside us in faith. As we bring our gifts before you, we offer them in gratitude, knowing that our generosity is part of your ongoing work in the world. Strengthen us to run with perseverance the race set before us, so that through our giving and through our living, we may reflect the joy of Christ and the love that unites all your saints. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen. ([Hebrews 11:29-12:2](#))

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**

“God of Grace and God of Glory” UMH # 577

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Psalm 82

New Testament Hebrews 11:29, 12:3

Message

“For the Sake of Joy”

By Rev. Jaime Torres

***Hymn of Commitment**

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” UMH # 89

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: Next Food Share August 30th; Game night August 28th; Senior center Wednesday’s 11:00 A.M; Coffee House Friday’s 11:30 A.M; Pastoral visits Fridays.

Blessings for the people (Pastor)

Children of God, go now in the presence of the great cloud of witnesses and in the blessing of God who forms us for community. May you find in God and one another the joy to persevere as we follow after Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, as we seek God’s kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

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
Dan Michel
Joanna Michel
You
Joy Asenas
Marcia Heerema
Laura Shaw
Susan Johnson
Eric Nelson
Cristina Mendez

Upcoming Events

Bible and Book Studies

“Disciple 2”

Beginning September 8th
Monday’s 10:00 – 12:00 Noon
Laura Shaw facilitating on ZOOM

“Embracing the Uncertain”

Beginning Tuesday September 9th
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.

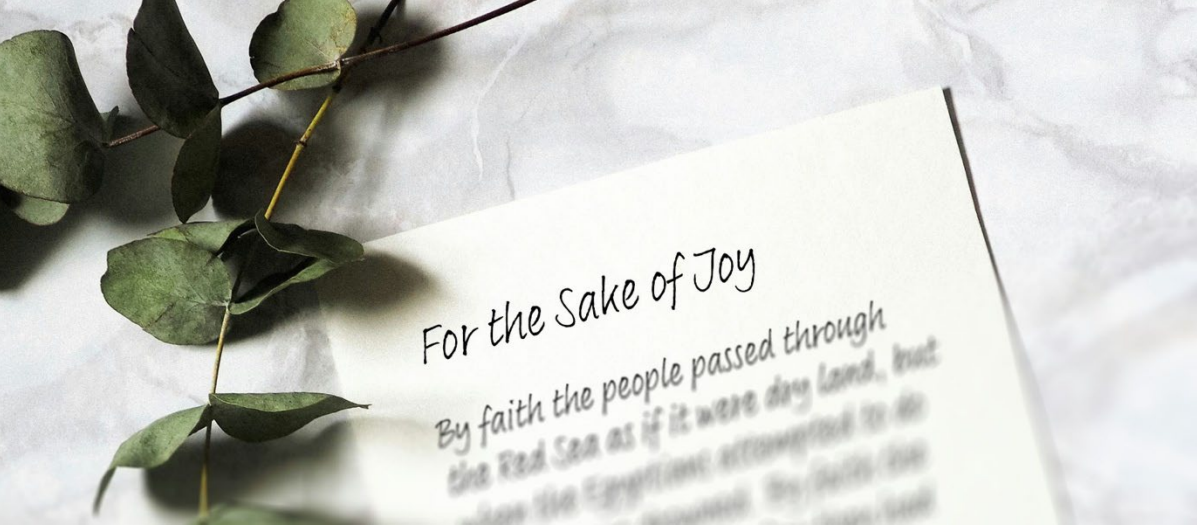
August Birthdays

19th Jaime Torres

**BARDSDALE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENETCOST / YEAR C**

August 17, 2025

Rev. Jaime Torres M. Div.~ phone: (562) 445-5659 universaljc1@gmail.com



OPEN HEARTS * OPEN MINDS * OPEN DOORS

Church office Hours
M-F 8:30-1:30p.m

1498 Bardsdale Ave., Fillmore, CA 93015

Office Phone (805) 524-2070

Website: bardsdaleumc.org

Email: office@bardsdaleumc.org

Joy can be a hard thing to nail down. Last week, we talked about defining yet not grasping faith. The substance of faith sweeps us with it toward the “better country”. This week, we turn to joy.

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

North District DS – Rev. *Garth Gilliam*