

SUNDAY WORSHIP
September 21, 2025
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, YEAR C
Please silence your cell phones.
WELCOME

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” “Shine Jesus Shine”

Call to Worship

Liturgist: When we are surrounded on every side, wondering which way is up and which way is down...

All: Help us, God, for the glory of your name.

Liturgist: When we question which way to go and how to follow God’s path for us...

All: Help us, God, for the glory of your name.

Liturgist: When we find our rest in God and long for others to know the sweet peace of God’s embrace...

All: Help us, God, for the glory of your name.

Liturgist: Today, as we gather for worship, may we come ready to listen and discern God’s help that meets us right where we are.

All: Help us, God, to receive your help and to extend your help to our neighbors, all for the glory of your name.

All: Prayer of Confession

God, do not remember against us the iniquities of our ancestors. Forgive us, merciful God, for our history of violence. Let your compassion come speedily to meet us, for we are brought low. With haste come to us, for we are bent beneath the weight of war-making. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name. Rescue us, O Wind of the Spirit, from the sea of despair. Deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your name's sake. Jesus, have mercy on our nation, for the sake of God's reign. 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

Susan Johnson

Liturgist: Prayer before the Offering

Unshakable and merciful God, you meet us in the ruins just as surely as in times of rejoicing. When all feels lost, you are not. When we stumble for answers, you remain our refuge. Receive these gifts, given not from abundance alone but from hearts that still dare to trust. Let them be signs of your presence in broken places, tools of healing, hope, and grace in a hurting world. Help us live our praise, even in lament, as your people who believe in your goodness—still. Amen. ([Psalm 79:1-9](#))

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 “ To God Be the Glory ” UMH # 98

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Psalm 79: 1 - 9

New Testament Luke 16: 1 - 13

Message

“For the Glory”

By Rev. Jaime Torres

Hymn of Commitment “ How Great Thou Art ” UMH # 77

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: Guitar class Monday’s 5:00 p.m. at One Step.; Pastor Jaime will be gone to North Carolina MARCHA from Sept 25th – October 2nd; Food Share October 4th; Youth gathering October 10th.

Blessings for the people (Pastor)

Go now, in the blessing of God who covers you, protects you, delivers you, and helps you that you might reflect God’s glory as you love and serve others. 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
Dan Michel
Joanna Michel
You
Joy Asenas
Susan Johnson
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.

September Birthdays

26th Ernestine Stansbery

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the people of God in the world.

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