

SUNDAY WORSHIP
July 26, 2026
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST , YEAR A

Ringling of Outdoor Bell @ 10:00 AM **Liturgist: Martha Gentry**

Welcome **Pastor Laura Perez**

Gathering Hymns “We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise” TFWS #2031
 “I’ve Got Peace Like a River” TFWS #2145

Call to Worship

L: Beloved, this is the core of our faith: nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

P: Thanks be to God!

L: God’s never-ending love surrounds us and calls us, assuring us that through God’s love, all things will work together for God’s good purposes.

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L: God’s never-breaking love empowers us in the face of temptation, distress, division, and scarcity to hold onto our faith and work together for the flourishing of all God’s good creation.

P: Thanks be to God!

L: Come, let us worship God who is Love, trusting that through joy and sorrow, happiness and despair, contentment and pain, Love will carry us through.

All: Thanks be to God who forms, connects, and guides us through Love. Amen.

All: Prayer of Confession

Creator of all things, who rejoiced in your creation at the beginning of the world; forgive us our sins of greed, selfishness, and carelessness by which we daily damage the beauty to which we have become insensitive. By war and violence, we destroy families and their means of livelihood. We cut down great forests that are the homes of people, animals, and birds. We ill-treat our farm animals in the race to outstrip our rivals in food production yet still leave millions of people starving. We pollute our air and water with the excess of our greed, without thought for the disposal of what we waste. For all this, we ask not only forgiveness, but also the power to turn away from our headlong course of destruction, and instead to share in your constant work of creation in preparation for the time when our kingdom comes to earth as it is in heaven. This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who became part of your creation and gave his life for the whole world.

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

Steadfast God, you search our hearts and know our needs even when we struggle to find the words. In your mercy, you strengthen us in our weakness and bind us together in love that cannot be broken. As

we bring these gifts today, may they bear witness to your enduring promise: that nothing—not hardship, nor fear, nor even death itself—can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus. Bless these offerings, that they may bring hope to the weary, peace to the troubled, and joy to the hearts of your people. Through Christ, our Redeemer and Companion, we pray. Amen. (**Romans 8:26-39**)

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 Will Take Care of You ” UMH # 130

Scripture Readings

Liturgist

Old Testament Psalm 126

Laura Shaw

New Testament John 4:31-38

Message “There is still a Harvest in the Field ” **Pastor Laura Shaw**

Hymn of Commitment “ Great Is Thy Faithfulness” UMH # 140

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).

Announcements: Mere Christianity begins July 28th through zoom; Food share August 1st;

Blessings for the people

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:

Pastor
Liturgist
Greeters
Pianist
Children's Sermon
Adult Education Director
Lay Leader
Videographer
Office Admin
Communion Steward

Laura Perez
Martha Gentry
You
Joy Asenas
Susan Johnoson
Laura Shaw
Susan Johnson
Eric Nelson
Cristina Mendez
Carolyn Diaz

Upcoming Events

Bible and Book Studies

"Disciple Bible Study"

Will resume in the Fall.

Monday's 10:00 – 12:00 Noon

Laura Shaw Facilitating through ZOOM

"Mere Christianity"

By C.S Lewis

Beginning July 28th

Tuesday's 1:00 – 3:00pm

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Volunteer Spotlight

Bardsdale United Methodist Church would like to thank everyone who takes part in Food Share, Clothing Sale, and Laura Shaw and her amazing Bible Studies.

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

28th Susan Johnson

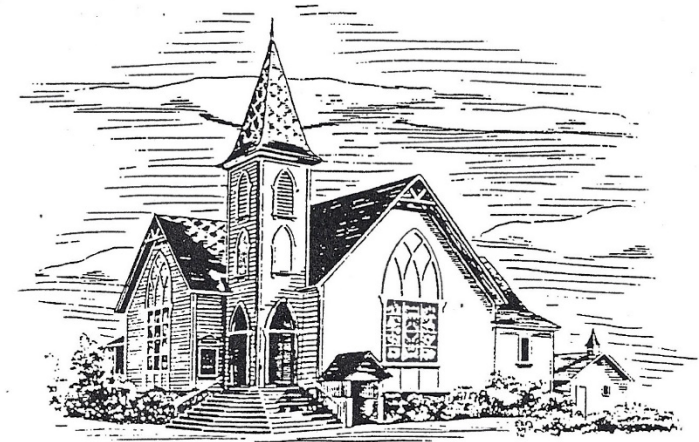
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For the Ninth Sunday of Pentecost, this reflection on Romans 8 invites the church to wrestle honestly with suffering, hope, and God's grace. It reframes being "more than conquerors" not as power or triumph, but as redemption through Christ and deep belonging in community, where the Spirit intercedes, sustains, and draws us closer to God and one another.

Bishop – Rev. Dr. *Dottie*

Escobedo-Frank

North District DS – Rev. *Garth Gilliam*