



**FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
Weatherford, OK
October 15, 2017
8:30AM & 10:30AM
3rd Sunday in Kingdomtide
United Methodist Laity Sunday

Liturgists: Skip Klingman (8:30AM);
Madison Carman (10:30AM)

✠ Please Stand As You Are Able

❖ 10:30AM Service Only

I. GOD'S FAMILY ENTERS INTO WORSHIP

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S CHILDREN FOR WORSHIP
You are invited to light a candle at one of the Prayer Stations, located at the far ends of the Chancel railing.

Servant Leader Opportunities Please View the Screens

Gathering Chimes . . . Let the people enter into silence
Greeting & Opening Prayer Todd Doyals, Church Council Chair

Prelude "The God of Abraham Praise" arr. Vicki Smith
JuBELLation Handbell Choir; Maxine Page, director

Words of Welcome Joyce Teghtmeyer, certified lay servant
✠ "Feet and Greet" (Let's get out of our seat, move our feet, and greet our sisters & brothers in Christ.)

❖✠ Gathering Song W. & S. No. 3176
"Come, Now Is The Time To Worship"

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist
Rejoice in God always! Again I say, rejoice! **Rejoice in God's steadfast love.** Rejoice in Christ's enduring grace. **Rejoice in God's saving Word.** Rejoice in the Spirit's gentle guidance. **Rejoice in God's healing presence.** Rejoice in God always! Again I say, rejoice!

✠ THE PROCESSIONAL
Hymn of Praise U.M.H. No. 339
"Come Sinners, To The Gospel Feast" (vv. 1, 2, 4)
Lighting of the Altar Candles & Lifting Up the Cross

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Together, let us confess . . . **Holy Presence, following You is seldom easy. When You seem far away, we replace You with hobbies and work, with desirable playthings and pursuits that leave us feeling hollow and empty. Forgive us. Shine the light of Your love in our lives, that we may see within ourselves the things that are just, righteous, and true. AMEN.**

❖ ANTHEM "Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)" Joel Houston
Chancel Choir; Maxine Page, director; Sophia Lee, piano

II. GOD'S FAMILY HEARS & RESPONDS

❖ 3-M (Mini-Methodists Moment) Ruth Boyd
As children enter the Chancel, **ALL SING . . .** W. & S. No. 3163
"Walking in the Light of God" (first page only) [see screens]
As children return to their seats, **ALL SING . . .** W. & S. No. 3163
"Walking in the Light of God" (first page only) [see screens]

THE OLDER TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 32:1-14

❖✠ HYMN OF PREPARATION U.M.H. No. 352
"It's Me, It's Me, O Lord" (all 3 vv.)

THE EPISTLE LESSON Philippians 4:1-9

✠ THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 22:1-14
"Behold, the wisdom of God's Word!"
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

✠ GLORIA PATRI U.M.H. No. 70

THE MESSAGE Faye Henson
"A Call To Community: Living Up to the Covenant That We Made With God"

LAITY RESPONSE "Give Thanks" T.F.W.S. No. 2036

OPPORTUNITIES OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE Rev. Brack

LIFTING UP OTHERS IN OUR PRAYERS
PASTORAL PRAYER
THE PRAYER OF OUR LORD (8:30AM Service) U.M.H. No. 895
❖ "The Lord's Prayer" (page 3, choral version) W. & S. No. 3070

III. GOD'S FAMILY GIVES THANKS

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "Come and Find A Quiet Center" arr. Anne Krentz
Jeri Marie Packard, flute; Marti Bessinger, piano

✠ DOXOLOGY U.M.H. No. 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!**

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION OVER OUR GIFTS
Together, let us pray . . . **God of steadfast love, Your bounty knows no bounds. For the abundant gifts in our lives, we thank You. For the peace that passes all understanding, we praise You. For keeping our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus, we honor You. Receive the gifts we bring You this day, and help us stay focused on things that are excellent and admirable, holy and just, righteous and pure. AMEN.**

✠ OUR PRAYER LIST TODAY ✠

L: Lord, in Your mercy,
P: Hear our prayers!

All those living with cancer—Jana Lou Scott, Dick Knutson, Muriel Boden, Ann Widener, Linda Stengl, John Chapman, Sherri Horst Clark, Jimmy Parker, Trent Lubers, Wanda Landers, Joyce, Craig Dobrinski & John Harris, Garry Howard, Ronnie Schulz, Danny, Butch Collins, Rev. Larry Masoner, Jimmy Cole, Cleta Sims, LaVerna Reid, Chesney Broughton, John Fleming, Shelli Raines (improvement).
Joys & Concerns—Jim Griffin (W/CORN #18); Charlie Dillard (recovering from shoulder surgery); Family of Kelby Harris (great nephew of Mona Jean Suter); Clark Phelps (auto accident, cousin of Karen Stucker); Geneva Koch (knee surgery); Janis Lovell; Alene Macaulay (spine surgery Oct. 20th); LaQuita & Tony LittleBird; Raymond McKellips; all world leaders; Linda & Gerald; all hurricane victims; Alexi Kelley; Raygan Joyce (1 y/o w/ epilepsy); Those struggling with marital issues; Kaye Zimmerman (mother of Shauna Rhoads); Mary Statser; Max Leonard; All care-givers serving loved ones; Joy Blanton; Archer George; Jeanne Rookhuyzen; Bray Jarvis; Kirk Milligan; Betty Osmus; those with addictions/mental illness/depression; Jason Mills; James Ediger; Armando; all those incarcerated and their families.

IV. GOD'S FAMILY IS SENT INTO THE WORLD

✧ HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP U.M.H. No. 557

"Blest Be The Tie That Binds" (all 4 vv.)

Congregation is invited to join hands & form a circle around the pews.

✧ COMMISSION and BLESSING

May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus, from this day forward and forevermore.

Amen? **AMEN!**

✧❖ PARTING SONG & RECESSIONAL W. & S. No. 3181

"Peace, Salaam, Shalom"

Peace, Salaam, Shalom. Peace, Salaam, Shalom.

Peace, Salaam. Shalom. Peace, Salaam. Shalom.

POSTLUDE *"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"* John Ludwig Adam
Marti Bessinger, organ

Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal-low-ed be your
name. Your king-dom come, your will be done on earth as in
heav - en. Give us to-day our dai - ly bread. For -
give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a -
gainst us. Save us from the time of trial and de -
liv - er us from e - vil, for the king-dom, the power, and the
glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er.



A man had two sons.
And he went to the first and said,
**"Son, go and work in
the vineyard today."**

MATTHEW 21:28

. Thanks to Faye Henson and all laity providing leadership in our Laity Sunday worship today.

. You can now listen to the 10:30 service live on Coyote Radio via three stations . . . 100.3FM Coyote Classic; 1590AM Coyote Classic; or 95.5HD 2 Coyote Classic (you'll need an HD radio to get this; they can be purchased at the Coyote radio station). You may also watch the service live-streaming on our church's face book page.

Coming Up . . .

, Wed. & Thurs. Oct. 18th & 19th . . .
This week is FALL BREAK. There will be no "Wonderful Wednesday" activities or Confirmation on Wednesday. "Living the Five" will not meet Thursday.
Youth Group will meet Wed. at 6PM for supper and a trip to "Corn Maze."

, Next Sunday, October 22nd . . .
Rev. Sara Marie Bodenstein will be preaching & leading worship in both services. Her message is entitled, "Trying Patience."

, Tuesday, October 24th . . .
The Memorial Fund Committee, chaired by Mary Fast, will meet at 4PM in the Fellowship Hall. Need to discuss & vote on offering funds for the re-flooring & painting of the Fellowship Hall, Kitchen, & Rest Rooms.

, Wednesday, October 25th . . .
5:15P—"4-M Potluck" in Fellowship Hall
6:00P—Fall Festival begins ("Trunk or Treat")
We are receiving donated "Trunk or Treat" candy in the green tub in the Narthex.

, Sunday, October 29th . . .
2018 Stewardship Campaign begins. Be watching your mail for your giving card.
5:00PM—Cluster Charge Conference (light snacks/fellowship begins at 4:30PM)

, Saturday, November 4th . . .
9:30A - 11:00A—"Come & Go" 90th birthday reception for MARY PHELPS at Brookdale Assisted Living Center, 800 Gartrell Place. No gifts please.