

✠ OUR PRAYER LIST TODAY ✠

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

All those living with cancer—Muriel Boden, Ann Widener, John Chapman, Sherri Horst Clark, Jimmy Parker, Trent Lubers, Wanda Landers, Craig Dobrinski, Garry Howard, Ronnie Schulz, Danny, Rev. Larry Masoner, Jimmy Cole, John Fleming, Lambert Dunn (father of Jamie Sisson), Bobby Cornelson, Kristi Lamle, 34 y/o son of Terry Turner, Michael Chase (Lisa Clay's bro.), Troy Lee, Roy Ford, Hanson Sisson (Bob's bro.), Gloria Loken, Amy (sister of Dana Hoffman), Kay Tautfest, Janice Dupree, Cierra Musick Jennings, Rev. Ken Tobler.

Joys & Concerns—Family of Anita Kelly (dau. of D.J. & Vernell Snider); Family of Maximus Leo Voyles; all H.S. & college graduates; travel mercies for all this week-end; Uncle Dale in Arkansas; joy for baptism received by Kenneth Gaston (son of Glennda & Phil Tannehill); Juanita Meacham (aunt of Linda Agan); Wanda Avant; Rose Ratcliffe; Cherrie Payne (Brookdale); continued healing for Bryan Baxter's arm; Joyce Hamburger; our church & Sunny Lane UMC during pastoral transition; all state & world leaders/God's wisdom; MAC Amber Morrison serving on USS Wasp stationed in Japan; Kaye Zimmerman (begins dialysis end of June, mother of Shauna Rhoads); All care-givers serving loved ones; Kenny & Karen Day (parents of Kim Blanton); Joy Blanton; Archer George; Jeanne Rookhuyzen; Kirk Milligan; those with addictions/mental illness/depression; Jason Mills; James Ediger (staying at Ft. Leavenworth for heart rehab); Armando; all those incarcerated and their families.



**FIRST UNITED
METHODIST
CHURCH**
Weatherford, OK

May 27, 2018
8:30AM & 10:30AM
Trinity Sunday

Liturgists: Joyce Tegtmeyer (8:30AM); Witten Beam (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

Prelude "The New Commonwealth" Vaughn Williams
Marti Bessinger, organ

Words of Welcome

✠ "Feet and Greet" (Let's get out of our seat, move our feet, and greet our sisters & brothers in Christ.)

❖✠ Gathering Song "Mighty To Save" W. & S. No. 3038
(v. 1 soloist only; congregation sings only the "Refrain")

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus calls, inviting us in. **Holy, holy, holy God, we gather as your children.** The Spirit calls, inviting us to listen. **Holy, holy, holy Christ, we sit at Your feet.** The Father calls, adopting us as family. **Holy, holy, holy Spirit, we come to worship.**

✠ THE PROCESSIONAL

Hymn of Praise U.M.H. No. 64
"Holy, Holy, Holy" (vv. 1, 2, 4)
Lighting of the Altar Candles & Lifting Up the Cross

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Together, let us confess . . . **Forgive us, Spirit of truth, when we neglect Your wisdom or close our spirits to Your presence. Blow where You will, Spirit of freedom, but please blow through our lives, so that our spirits may blow through Your world with love, compassion, justice, and truth. In Your Holy Spirit, we pray. AMEN.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE We are so loved that Christ sent the Holy Spirit to reveal God's constant presence. We are loved. We are forgiven. We are saved in this forgiving love.

❖ ANTHEM "Holy Is the Lord" arr. Ralph Manuel
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]

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 8:12-17

❖✠ HYMN OF PREPARATION W. & S. No. 3040
"You Are My All In All"

✠ THE GOSPEL LESSON John 3:1-17
"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 HOMILY "Belonging to the Family of God" Rev. Brack

THE RESPONSE Psalm 29 See Lectionary Insert

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN SERVICE

LIFTING UP OTHERS IN OUR PRAYERS
PASTORAL PRAYER

THE PRAYER OF OUR LORD U.M.H. No. 895
❖ "The Lord's Prayer" (page 3, choral version) W. & S. No. 3070

III. GOD'S FAMILY GIVES THANKS

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "Passacaglia" Randolph Currie
Marti Bessinger, organ

✠ 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 . . . **Holy, holy, holy God, bless these gifts with Your holiness and Your love. Through our giving of time, talent, and treasure, may Your Spirit blow ever more lovingly, ever more expansively, and ever more pervasively, through every corner of creation. AMEN.**

IV. GOD'S FAMILY IS SENT INTO THE WORLD

✧ HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP U.M.H. No. 717

"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory" (vv. 1, 4, 5)

✧ COMMISSION and BLESSING

When God calls, **we will answer.** As Christ lives, **we will love.** Where the Spirit leads, **we will follow.**
Amen? **AMEN!**

✧❖ PARTING SONG & RECESSIONAL W. & S. No. 3180

"As We Part For the Towns and Cities" (both vv.)

**As we part for the towns and cities,
Where You summon us to go,
Guide us, Lord, give us strength and courage,
Teach us all we need to know.
Keep us humble, fixed on You, forever seeking, born anew.
Kindle holy fires within us; may Your Holy Spirit glow.**

POSTLUDE

"Toccata in F"
Marti Bessinger, organ

Buxtehude

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.



TODAY, MAY 27th . . .

. Please consider our General Church special offering today in recognition of "Peace With Justice Sunday." Thanks for your generosity.

. The devotional service for today at the WeatherFORD Living Center has been cancelled.

. Sign-up for a course presented by the Oklahoma Healthy Aging Initiative entitled, "Diabetes Empowerment Education Program." Classes will be in our Neonate Classroom on Tuesdays, 1-3PM, beginning June 12 thru July 17th. Register by calling 580-699-3977 (Rhonda David).

. Ms. Marti has a list of mission school items being requested for her trip to Ghana, Africa this summer. Please check the list and sign-up if you can donate any of these items. Marti will take them with her and David.

Coming Up . . .

, You are encouraged to wear your name tag every Sunday, beginning June 10th—and wear it throughout the summer months. This will assist Pastor Margo in learning your name.

, Sunday, June 10th . . .
Pastor Margo's first Sunday here. Join us for an informal "Meet & Greet" during Fellowship Coffee time in the Fellowship Hall (9:30AM).

, Vacation Bible School, "Shipwrecked: Rescued By Jesus," will be Sunday July 15th thru Thursday July 19th, 5:30PM to 8:00PM. Light snack supper each evening at 5:30PM. Krista Brooks, director (580-603-1658).

, Sunday, June 24th . . .
6:00PM—Church-wide Ice Cream Social in the Angel Courtyard; "Meet & Greet" Pastor Margo and her spouse, Ron.
7:00PM—Church Council meeting in the Neonate Classroom (not June 3rd)