WELCOME TO WORSHIP

"3rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST"

June 18th, 2023

Dallas United Methodist Church

Liturgical Color – Green



TODAY'S CENTERING MEDITATION

Therefore, since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand;

- Romans 5:1 (New Revised Standard Version)

* Please stand in stature or in heart as you are able.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

He Leadeth Me

by William Bradbury; arr. by Joel Raney

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Raise your voices in response to God's goodness.

We praise you, O Lord, for all the blessings you have given us.

Lift your hearts in sweet surrender to God's mercy.

We thank you, O Lord, for hearing the prayers of our hearts.

God is good; Praise be to God!

The love and mercy of God never fails. Amen.

* Amazing Grace # 378

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

* WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PARDON

* Glorify Thy Name # 2016

PRESENTATION OF THE LINDA AKERS SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship Committee

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.

* Glory Be to the Father #70

CHILDREN'S CHAT

TIME OF PRAYER / THE LORD'S PRAYER / THREE-FOLD AMEN

(from the ritual of the former Methodist Church)

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.

GOD'S WORD FOR US:

Romans 5:1-8

(The Liturgist says: "This is the Word of God for ALL people" ... AND ... the People respond: "Thanks BE to God")

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

"ACCESS TO GRACE"

THE PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.

O, Divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood, as to understand;
to be loved, as to love;
for it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (on insert)

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

* When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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* BENEDICTION

* Standing on the Promises

374 (verses 2, 4)

THIS WEEK'S DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday ... 1 Corinthians 2:1-13

Tuesday ... Psalm 28:1-9

Wednesday ... Isaiah 40:12-31

Thursday ... Philippians 4:10-20

Friday ... 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Saturday ... Ephesians 3:14-21

Sunday ... Genesis 28:10-17 ... Psalm 91:1-10 ...

Romans 5:12-19 ... Matthew 10:24-33

THANK YOU

Dear Pastor Dave,

I wanted to thank you and your church members for our relationship over the years. From the very beginning, you and the church have been so very generous to our program, our children, and our families. We feel like you have taken us under your wing and taken such good care.

As we move on, I want to wish you all the very best and hope that we can maintain our relationship and friendship. Please thank your church members for all they have done to help us feel welcome.

My very best to you all,

Lynn Evans Biga
Executive Director
Luzerne County Head Start

MINISTRY & MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

DALLAS UMC STREAMING TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED ... We are hoping to expand our Streaming Team in order to give team members a break. No experience is necessary. We will train you. If you or someone you know (adult or teenager) would be interested in this ministry opportunity, please ask them to contact Pastor Dave. Interested persons need not be members of this church.

BACK MOUNTAIN FOOD PANTRY ... COMMUNITY CARE CABINET ...

RUTH'S PLACE ... SHOEMAKER HUB ... We have containers on a table in the Prayer

Room for your contributions to these ministries. PLEASE CONTINUE YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF

THESE IMPORTANT "AREA" MINISTRIES!!!

QUILTING GROUP # 1 ... will meet this Tuesday from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM. This group meets in the Wesley Room making "ugly sleeping bags" for MY BROTHERS KEEPER MINISTRIES. For more information please contact Judy Donlin (570-675-2693).

QUILTING GROUP # 2 ... will meet this Wednesday from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Please bring your own lunch. This group meets in the Wesley Room making "PROJECT DJ QUILTS" (for ill children) and "QUILTS OF VALOR" (for veterans). For more information please contact Judy Donlin (570-675-2693).

INFORMATION FOR YOU

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP ... if you would like to know more about what it means to be a "professing member" of Dallas United Methodist Church, please contact the church office or Pastor Dave. He would be glad to talk with you about this very important step in your faith journey.

ALTAR FLOWER SPONSORS NEEDED ... The cost to sponsor the weekly ALTAR FLOWERS in "HONOR" of or in "MEMORY" of someone is \$50.00 ... There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the entranceway for you to do so.

WORSHIP BULLETIN SPONSORS NEEDED ... The cost to sponsor the weekly WORSHIP BULLETIN in "HONOR" of or in "MEMORY" of someone is \$10.00 ... Please contact the church office if you are interested in doing so.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED ... Monday, June 19th (Juneteenth Day) ... Tuesday, June 20th (Dottie off)

PRAYER WITH OUR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT ... Join our DS, Rev. Judy

Walker, and other laity and clergy from across our Scranton Wilkes-Barre District for 30 minutes of intentional prayer on Wednesday mornings starting at 7:45 AM. Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89722373231?pwd=YUIBRm1ya1U0OWZ2dllVNFJsdXM4UT09

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ... @ Shavertown United Methodist Church ... Our VBS "Food Truck Party: On a Roll with God" will be held from Monday, July 17th through Thursday, July 20th. Dinner is 5:15 PM and the program is from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. All children currently in preschool through 5th grade can register at shavertownumc.com. Our VBS includes cool music, unique science experiments, creative crafts, fun games, and exciting Bible stories!