

# ***“PEACE WITH JUSTICE”***

## **SUNDAY**



**June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**

**Dallas United Methodist Church**

**Liturgical Color – Green**

### **WELCOME!**

We are very glad you are here this morning!

We pray that in our time together, you will sense God’s Holy Spirit  
in the silence, the spoken word, or the music,  
and understand this truth ... **JESUS LOVES YOU AND IS CRAZY ABOUT YOU!!!**

***“WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE OF YOU?***

***TO DO JUSTICE, LOVE MERCY AND WALK HUMBLY WITH YOUR GOD.”***

- Micah 6:8

***“YOU MUST LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD***

***WITH ALL YOUR HEART, ALL YOUR SOUL, ALL YOUR MIND, AND ALL YOUR STRENGTH.’***

***... AND ... ‘LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.’***

***NO OTHER COMMANDMENT IS GREATER THAN THESE.”***

- Mark 12:30-31

**THE MISSION OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

***Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ***

***for the transformation of the world.***

***Local churches and extension ministries of the Church***

***provide the most significant arenas through which disciple-making occurs.***

(¶ 120 Book Of Discipline)

Dallas UMC is a United Methodist Congregation  
of the Luzerne West Cluster of the Scranton Wilkes-Barre (SWB) District  
of the Susquehanna Conference of the Northeast Jurisdiction  
of the United Methodist Church of Christ’s Church Universal

Ministers: All who LOVE and SERVE Jesus

Bishops: Cynthia Moore-Koikoi and Sandra Steiner Ball

Conference Superintendent of the SWB Supervisory Area: Rev. Judy Walker

Pastor: Dave Walker

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

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

How shall we serve the Lord in a world torn with strife?

**We act in ways of justice and kindness to all whom we meet.**

How shall we walk with God in this trouble?

**Place the mantle of humility on our shoulders, so that we may truly listen to God's words.**

We are called to listen carefully and understand that God, who adopted us,  
expects us to live in this world as people of justice, peace, and humility.

**Open our hearts to your words, O Lord,**

**that we may truly be born anew into lives that shine with your justice,**

**into acts of compassion and kindness, and into a deeper spiritual journey with you.**

OPENING PRAYER

**Merciful and Just God,**

**we gather here this morning, each of us with many concerns on our hearts.**

**Our hearts are concerned with systems of injustice**

**which strip people of their dignity and their very lives.**

**Help us to be those who would seek peace with justice,**

**who would fight for those who are oppressed,**

**offer voices for the voiceless and dignity for all humankind.**

**Be with us this day and guide our steps toward a more just world in your name.**

**Amen.**

\* *When Morning Gilds the Skies*

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MOMENTS WITH YOUNG PEOPLE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**We confess this day, O merciful God,  
that we have not always acted in just ways nor sought justice  
for our friends and neighbors.**

**We have found it easy to turn our backs on problems  
rather than seeking to be a solution to them.**

**We have heard of the many ways  
in which you have demonstrated peace with justice  
through the ministries of your Son,  
yet we have given only sporadic attention to them.**

**Forgive us, Lord.**

**Heal our selfishness and brokenness.**

**Cause us to be witnesses to your great love as shown to us in Jesus Christ.**

**Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

\* *Wounded World that Cries for Healing*

# 2177 (tune # 2237)

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

*A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada*

**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.  
Thanks be to God.  
Amen.**

*\* Glory Be to the Father*

# 70

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

*(from the ritual of the former Evangelical United Brethren 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 debts;  
as we forgive our debtors;  
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:

Mark 2:23 – 3:6

*(The Reader says: "The Word of God for ALL people" ... the People respond: "Thanks BE to God")*

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

**"UNYIELDING HEARTS"**

*I Surrender All*

# 354 (verses 1, 2, 4)

GREAT THANKSGIVING

BREAKING THE BREAD

SHARING THE LOAF AND CUP

*\* Now Let Us from This Table Rise*

# 634 (tune # 643) (verses 1, 2, 3)

*\* BENEDICTION*

*\* Freely, Freely*

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