

"Soli Deo Gloria"
- To God Alone be the Glory



Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.

The people of The United Methodist Church™

Dallas United Methodist Church



September 22nd, 2024

"18th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST"

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

Bishop: Rev. Héctor A. Burgos Núñez

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

Rock of Ages

by Thomas Hastings; arr. by Joel Raney

CALL TO WORSHIP

God is our deliverance!

God is our redeemer and our guide!

God's love sustains and empowers us on life's journey.

Praise God who gives us direction! Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

God of mercy and truth,

through the waters of our baptism

you have made us your own.

From the wandering wilderness of our existence,

you lead us to the river's shore, part the waters,

and bring us to where we can abide with you in peace.

We pray that our lives and the work of our hands

may please you and accomplish your will for creation. Amen.

* *Hymn of Promise*

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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.

MISSION MOMENTS

MOMENTS WITH YOUNG PEOPLE

* OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD ...

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow ... # 94

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

God of light and beauty,

every gift is from you.

Even our ability to give is a blessing of your love.

We offer you what we have and what we are.

Use our gifts to give birth to a world of righteousness

where none are in need

and where all draw close to your grace. Amen.

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

(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.

* *He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought*

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GOD'S WORD FOR US:

Joshua 1:1-12

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

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

"BE BOLD – BE COURAGEOUS"

WESLEY'S COVENANT PRAYER

LORD,
I am no longer my own,
but YOURS.
Put me to what YOU will,
rank me with whom YOU will.
Put me to doing,
put me to suffering.
Let me be employed for YOU
or laid aside for YOU,
exalted for YOU,
or brought low for YOU.
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 YOUR pleasure and disposal.
And now, O glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
YOU are mine,
and I am YOURS.
So be it.
And the covenant
which I have made on earth,
let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

* *Here I Am, Lord*

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* BENEDICTION

* *My Tribute*

99 (twice)

***"In the essentials, unity.
In the non-essentials, liberty.
In all things, charity (love)."***

~ often attributed to John Wesley but was actually Rupertus Meldenus ~

***"The church is the church
only when it exists for others."***

~ Dietrich Bonhoeffer ~