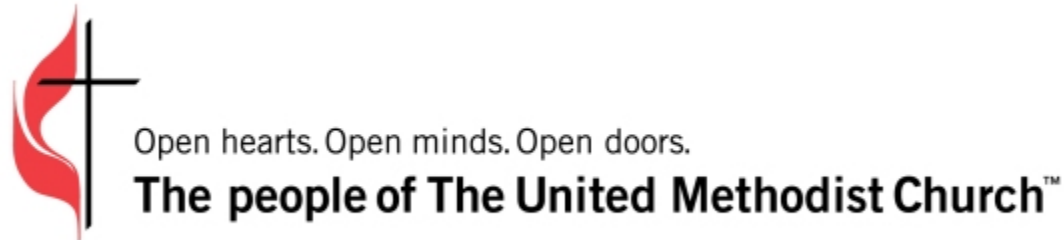


"Soli Deo Gloria"

- To God Alone be the Glory



Dallas United Methodist Church



October 20th, 2024

"22nd 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

Soon and Very Soon

by Andraé Crouch; arr. by Jack Schrader

CALL TO WORSHIP

It was easy to come to worship this morning.

We feel welcome and look forward to the worship service.

How hard it is to enter God's kingdom.

We have to be ready to let go of the things that tie us down.

Get ready. God is waiting for you.

Open our hearts and our spirits, Lord, to receive your word for us.

Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Lord, you have called us here this day for healing, hope, and transformation.

**As we listen to the Scripture, pray our prayers,
sing our hymns, and hear the words of wisdom,
open our hearts to hear your claim on our lives;
that we may fully and joyfully serve you.**

Amen.

* *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,

**we become so enamored of the glitz and glitter of the world.
It is as though our lives were lived in "catalog shopping" design.**

We have so much and want so much more.

**We listen to the pitches in the media about the latest and best of everything,
and rather than striving to serve you more faithfully,
we strive to gather more and more possessions.**

Forgive our crass materialism.

**Break the bonds and chains of our oppression and enslavement to greed.
Open our hearts to know that the riches of the kingdom are in service to you.**

**Help us to understand the call you have given us to service,
and having heard and understood that call,
may we be about the work of the kingdom.**

For we offer this prayer in Jesus' Name.

Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church)

**We believe in the one God,
creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations,
the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh,
our teacher, example and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength.**

**We believe in the forgiveness of sins,
in the life of love and prayer,
and in grace equal to every need.**

We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments

as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.

We believe in the church,
those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service.

We believe in the reign of God
as the divine will realized in human society, and in the family of God,
where we are all brothers and sisters.

We believe in the final triumph of righteousness
and in the life everlasting.
Amen.

* *Glory Be to the Father*

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MOMENTS WITH YOUNG PEOPLE

(following this time our young people are welcome to go to Sunday School)

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Choir

GOD'S WORD FOR US:

Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-22

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

Thy Word Is a Lamp

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TODAY'S MESSAGE:

"STUDENTS OF GOD'S WORD"

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

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

With open hearts, open minds, and open doors

**With open hands and thankful hearts,
we offer to you all that is already yours, O Lord.**

Everything we possess is a gift from you.

**You so freely give us what we need,
and you promise even greater treasures**

that await us in heaven.

**Take what we offer
and use it for the goodness of your kingdom.**

**Help us share generously with others
all that you so graciously give to us.**

Amen.

* *God of Grace and God of Glory*

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* BENEDICTION

* *My Tribute*

99 (twice)

