

Wesley United Methodist Church

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

June 16, 2024

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

At Wesley we foster a sanctuary culture by creating a safe environment where all feel welcomed, loved, accepted, valued, and affirmed for who they are, through intentional practices such as empathy, compassion, generosity, hospitality, and inclusion.

Please let an usher know if you have questions, need assistance, or have a concern about health or safety.

Prelude

"This Is My Father's World"

David H. Hegarty

Based on the tune "Terra Beata" by F.L. Sheppard

Greeting

*Call to Worship

One: In the midst of the congregation I will praise you.

**Many: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,
and give thanks to God's holy name!**

One: I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name for ever and ever.

**Many: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,
and God's greatness is unsearchable.**

*Hymn

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

UMH 66

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to the throne thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore God's praises sing.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise the Lord for grace and favor to all people in distress;
praise God, still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious now God's faithfulness.

Father-like, God tends and spares us; well our feeble frame God knows;
mother-like, God gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet God's mercy flows.

Angels in the heights, adoring, you behold God face to face;
saints triumphant, now adoring, gathered in from every race.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

***Please stand in body or in spirit.**

*Praise Songs

I Have Joy in My Heart

I have joy in my heart, deep, deep down in my heart...

Jesus gave to me, and no one can destroy it.

I have joy in my heart; deep, deep down in my heart...

Joy Like a River

Joy like a river in my soul...

Prayer for Father's Day (*unison*)

God, our Creator,

**We give you thanks for those who have been
sons, brothers, fathers, and grandfathers for us.**

Help us inherit from them

that which will make us more fully your people.

**Where they have offered us blessings of love,
may we incorporate those gifts into our lives.**

**Where they have hurt us or fallen short of our expectations,
may we learn from them,**

that we might not repeat their mistakes.

**May the honor we convey toward
our sons, brothers, fathers, and grandfathers
reflect the honor that we feel toward you. Amen.**

Children's Conversation

Reception of New Members

Cynthia Fletcher, Joseph Fletcher

The congregation responds:

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

"Come and Fill Our Hearts"

TFWS 2157

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Alleluia!

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.

The Offering

Offertory Music

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

Swedish Melody

*Doxology

UMH 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! Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

*Passing of Peace

“Shalom”

Mensah Essilfie

God’s peace be unto you,
We wish you Shalom!
The peace of God which transcends all
understanding be with you forevermore.

*Gospel Reading

Mark 4:30-32

Message

Announcement

*Hymn

“Trust and Obey”

UMH 467

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word,
what a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will, he abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.
Trust and obey, for there’s no other way to be happy in Jesus,
but to trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he doth richly repay;
not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey.
Trust and obey, for there’s no other way to be happy in Jesus,
but to trust and obey.

But we never can prove the delights of his love
until all on the altar we lay;
for the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows,
are for them who will trust and obey.
Trust and obey, for there’s no other way to be happy in Jesus,
but to trust and obey.

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet,
or we’ll walk by his side in the way;
what he says we will do, where he sends we will go;
never fear, only trust and obey.
Trust and obey, for there’s no other way to be happy in Jesus,
but to trust and obey.

*Benediction

Postlude

"God of Our Fathers"

George W. Warren

Worship Leaders: Gifty Bentum-Asante, David Dagle, Ronna Davis, Chris Kerns, Byungmoo Lee,
Debbie O'Driscoll, Jennifer Quansah, Ghanaian Choir, Worship Tech Team

Call to Worship – *The United Methodist Book of Worship*, 451.

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