

Banning United Methodist Church

26th Sunday After Pentecost

November 17, 2024

GATHERING

SPECIAL MUSIC AND FELLOWSHIP

Cathy Mauge

WELCOMING FRIENDS AND NEWCOMERS

Marilyn Casey

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn Casey

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor Doug

WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE

Cathy Mauge

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Marilyn Casey

We approach the God of grace and glory,

Who has called us to worship this day.

We arrive from the chaos of our world

Into the clarity of God's presence.

We leave the struggles of our lives

To embrace the power of God's love.

May this hour bring us courage

And a time to strengthen our faith.

†OPENING HYMN

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

UMH #361

†OPENING PRAYER

Marilyn Casey

Great and mighty God, open our hearts to the power of Your Holy Spirit. Open our minds to the wisdom of Your word. Help us to run the race of life with faithful perseverance and with steadfast love. Amen.

PSALM READING

Marilyn Casey

Psalm 16 NRSV

¹Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge. ²I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you." ³As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight. ⁴Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips. ⁵The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. ⁶The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage. ⁷I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. ⁸I keep the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. ⁹Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure. ¹⁰For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit. ¹¹You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Pastor Doug

Hebrews 10:11-18 NRSV

¹¹And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” ¹³and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. ¹⁵And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, ¹⁶“This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,” ¹⁷he also adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” ¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

One: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

HYMN “My Hope is Built”

UMH #368

SERMON “God is Faithful”

Pastor Doug

PRAYERS

Pastor Doug

CHILDREN IN PRAYER (After each slide: In Your mercy, Lord, hear our prayer)

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER: 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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Marilyn Casey

OFFERTORY

Cathy Mauge

†**DOXOLOGY** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Marilyn Casey

Faithful and loving God, Thank You for blessing us and our world in so many unique ways. Bless the gifts we return to You now; may they be blessings of hope and signs of Your faithfulness for all the world to know. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

†**CLOSING HYMN** “Blessed Assurance”

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DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

†**BENEDICTION**

Pastor Doug

CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST OUT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

Cathy Mauge