

Banning United Methodist Church

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 2024

GATHERING

SPECIAL MUSIC AND FELLOWSHIP

Cathy Mauge

WELCOMING FRIENDS AND NEWCOMERS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July Birthdays & Anniversaries

Dan Mabey

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor Doug

WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

Cathy Mauge

†CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Rely on God's providential care.

P: Rest assured, God's grace is not just enough but more than sufficient for us.

L: Take nothing for the journey but Faith in Christ.

P: We can trust God for our salvation.

L: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.

P: God's steadfast love endures forever.

L: Come! Let us worship.

Dan Mabey

†OPENING HYMN

"He leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought"

UMH #128

†OPENING PRAYER

Eternal Spirit, You call us to set aside our scheming and place our trust in You alone. You challenge us to take nothing for the journey but our desire to do your will. Teach us once more that Your strength is made perfect in weakness and that Your grace is sufficient to meet our every need. With the confidence of little children, we place our lives in your hands today. For we know that You will be with us every moment. Amen.

Dan Mabey

PSALM READING

Psalm 123 NRSV

¹To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens! ²As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until he has mercy upon us. ³Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt. ⁴Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.

Dan Mabey

†NEW TESTAMENT READING

2 Corinthians 12:2-10 NRSV

¹I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ²And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— ³was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁴On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁵But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁶even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁷Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁸but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made

Pastor Doug

perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Live with it!" 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

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Dan Mabey

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** Dan Mabey

You give us everything we need, O God, to build Your Kingdom. With nothing but Your presence and Your promise to be with us, your presence in our lives blesses the world. Receive our love and commitment in this morning's gifts and offerings so that the world may know the healing love of Your Son. Amen.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

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COMMUNION HYMN "Let us Break Bread Together" Hymn #618

SENDING FORTH

†**CLOSING HYMN** "Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound" UMH #378

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

†**BENEDICTION**

CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST OUT INTO THE WORLD

Pastor Doug

POSTLUDE Cathy Mauge