

# Banning United Methodist Church

## 21st Sunday After Pentecost

### October 26, 2025

#### GATHERING

**SPECIAL MUSIC AND FELLOWSHIP**

Cathy Mauge

**WELCOMING FRIENDS AND NEWCOMERS**

Myrle Petty

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Myrle Petty

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Dan Mabey

#### WORSHIP OF GOD

**PRELUDE**

Cathy Mauge

**LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES**

**†CALL TO WORSHIP**

Myrle Petty

L: We ask You, O Lord, for the gifts of Your Spirit.

**P: Enable us to penetrate the depth of the whole truth, and grant that we may share with others the goods You have put at our disposal.**

L: Teach us to overcome divisions.

**P: Send us Your Spirit to lead to fully unite Your sons and daughters in full charity, in obedience to Your will through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**†OPENING HYMN**

"This Is the Day"

UMH #657

**†OPENING PRAYER**

Myrle Petty

**Eternal God, hallowed be thy name.**

**Early in the morning, before we begin our work, we praise Your glory. Renew our bodies as fresh as the morning flowers. Open our inner eyes, as the sun casts new light upon the darkness. Deliver us from all captivity. Like the birds of the sky, give us wings of freedom to begin a new journey. As a mighty stream running continuously, restore justice and freedom day by day. We thank You for the gift of this morning, and a new day to work with You. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Myrle Petty

**Psalms 8 NIV**

<sup>1</sup> Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens. <sup>2</sup> Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger. <sup>3</sup> When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, <sup>4</sup> what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them? <sup>5</sup> You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor. <sup>6</sup> You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet: <sup>7</sup> all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild, <sup>8</sup> the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas. <sup>9</sup> Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth

**NEW TESTAMENT READINGS**

Dan Mabey

**Mark 9: 33-37 NKJV**

<sup>33</sup> Then He came to Capernaum. And when He was in the house He asked them, "What was it you disputed among yourselves on the road?" <sup>34</sup> But they kept silent, for on the road they had disputed among themselves who would be the greatest. <sup>35</sup> And He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "If anyone desires to be first, he shall be last of

Mark 10: 13-16 NKIV

The Word of God for the people of God.

**SERMON HYMN**      “Children of the Heavenly Father”      UMC #141

**SERMON**                      "Childish Behavior"                      Dan Mabey

## PRAYERS

Dan Mabey

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

## SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

## PASTORAL PRAYER

Dan Mabey

**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** Myrle Petty

## MASON JAR MINISTRY

Our October Mason Jar Ministry will go to benefit our friends at Smiles 4 Seniors

**OFFERTORY** Cathy Mauge

†DOXOLOGY “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH #95

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 Myrle Petty

**Heavenly Father: We lift these gifts to You, as stewards of Your creation. You alone have provided all that is good in our lives. May these offerings truly represent our commitment to You, that everything we say, think, and do be to Your Glory and found pleasing in your sight. Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN**      “God Be With You Till We Meet Again”      UMH #672

## DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

†BENEDICTION

Dan Mabey

## CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST OUT INTO THE WORLD

## POSTLUDE

Cathy Mauge