

Banning United Methodist Church

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 14, 2024

GATHERING

SPECIAL MUSIC AND FELLOWSHIP

Cathy Mauge

WELCOMING FRIENDS AND NEWCOMERS

Kathy Bainter

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kathy Bainter

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Faith in Action: Lucille Martin

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor Doug

WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE

Cathy Mauge

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

†CALL TO WORSHIP

All are welcome in the house of the Lord.

I have for you here the hospitality of radical fellowship.

Worship with clean hands and a pure heart.

The King of Glory lifts us.

We are adopted into the family of Christ.

We leap with joy before our God!

Kathy Bainter

†OPENING HYMN

“The Church’s One Foundation”

UMH #545

†OPENING PRAYER

Holy One, we enter this time of worship with minds filled with the busyness of life. Help us shed the dust of our toils, relaxing in the knowledge that You claim us, just as You promised. Amen.

Kathy Bainter

PSALM READING

Psalm 85:8-13 NRSV

⁸Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts. ⁹Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. ¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. ¹¹Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky. ¹²The LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. ¹³Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.

Kathy Bainter

†OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 7:7-15 NRSV

⁷This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸And the LORD said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.” Then the Lord said, “See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; ⁹the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.”

Pastor Doug

¹⁰Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹For thus Amos has said, ‘Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.’” ¹²And Amaziah said to Amos,

“O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.” ¹⁴Then Amos answered Amaziah, “I am no prophet, nor a prophet’s son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SUNDAY ENSEMBLE

SERMON “A Terrible Year!” 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 Kathy Bainter

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** Kathy Bainter
The earth is Yours, O Lord, and all that is in it. All we have comes from the richness of Your grace. As You blessed us, so may we bless others. May these offerings bind us to Your love for us and the world’s people. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

†**CLOSING HYMN** “Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine” UMH #369

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

†**BENEDICTION** Pastor Doug

CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST OUT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE Cathy Mauge