

# Banning United Methodist Church

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 21, 2024

## GATHERING

**SPECIAL MUSIC AND FELLOWSHIP**

Cathy Mauge

**WELCOMING FRIENDS AND NEWCOMERS**

Alice Ann Daugherty

We ask that you please sign the attendance book, then pass it to the middle aisle. If you are here this morning as a guest, please include your address and phone number, so that we can reach out to you. If this is your first time visiting and would like to introduce yourself, please raise your hand, and a microphone will be brought to you.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Alice Ann Daugherty

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Pastor Doug

## WORSHIP OF GOD

**PRELUDE**

Cathy Mauge

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

†**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Alice Ann Daugherty

L: When you are weary in your bones...

**P: here, you will find rest.**

L: When you are divided from family and friends...

**P: here, you will find peace.**

L: When you are discouraged and downhearted...

**P: here, you will find hope and courage.**

L: When you are looking for a shepherd to guide you...

**P: here you will find assistance and peace.**

†**OPENING HYMN**

“Rejoice the Lord is King”

UMH #715

†**OPENING PRAYER**

Alice Ann Daugherty

**Healer of division, Your Son came to abolish enmity and to create one humanity in His Name. Unite us with Your saints, and bring us into the peace of Your household, That we may dwell in one spirit. Be present in our day, and seal us in the heart of Christ, our shepherd. Amen.**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

Alice Ann Daugherty

Ephesians 2:11-22 NRSV

<sup>11</sup>So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision” —a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— <sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup>But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. <sup>15</sup>He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, <sup>16</sup>and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. <sup>17</sup>So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; <sup>18</sup>for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup>So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. <sup>21</sup>In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; <sup>22</sup>in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

†**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Pastor Doug

2 Samuel 7:1-14 NRSV

<sup>1</sup>Now when the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, <sup>2</sup>the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." <sup>3</sup>Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you." <sup>4</sup>But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: <sup>5</sup>Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? <sup>6</sup>I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. <sup>7</sup>Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" <sup>8</sup>Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; <sup>9</sup>and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. <sup>10</sup>And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, <sup>11</sup>from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. <sup>12</sup>When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. <sup>13</sup>He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. <sup>14</sup>I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. When he commits iniquity, I will punish him with a rod such as mortals use, with blows inflicted by human beings.

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** "Where God lives"

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**

Alice Ann Daugherty

**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**

Alice Ann Daugherty

**Bringer of peace, You shaped Your people and gave them a home. In gratitude for Your steadfast love, for calling us to feed in Your pasture and rest safely in Your fields, we bring our gifts before You on this day. May they offer the love of our shepherd to those in Your tender care. Amen.**

**SENDING FORTH**

†**CLOSING HYMN** "The Church's One Foundation"

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**DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

†**BENEDICTION**

Pastor Doug

CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST OUT INTO THE WORLD

**POSTLUDE**