

Banning United Methodist Church
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 6th, 2026

GATHERING

Special Music and Fellowship Cathy Mauge

Welcoming Friends and Newcomers Dan Mabey

Announcements Dan Mabey
September Birthdays & Anniversaries

Centering Words Dan Mabey
“O Lord, may my heart not be hardened, my ears not deaf, my mind not wandering as I strive to worship you in spirit and in truth. Amen.”

Passing of the Peace Pastor Ode

Gathering Hymn “The Spirit in Me” (Please return to your seat when the hymn begins)
The spirit in me greets the spirit in you, Alleluia! God's in us and we're in God, Alleluia! (Sung twice)

WORSHIP OF GOD

Prelude Cathy Mauge
Lighting of the Altar Candles

†Call to Worship Dan Mabey
Leader: The Lord has dealt bountifully with us according to God's word.

People: We come to give thanks for God's goodness and grace.

Leader: Teach us good judgment and knowledge, O Lord.

People: We trust in Your commandments and seek Your wisdom.

Leader: Even through trials, God draws us closer and teaches us truth.

People: The law of the Lord is more precious than riches beyond measure.

All: Let us worship God, whose goodness leads us into life and whose grace welcomes us to this table.

†Opening Hymn “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” UMH #400

† Opening Prayer Dan Mabey

Gracious and loving God, You have dealt bountifully with Your people and guided us by Your word.

Open our hearts today to receive Your wisdom, Your mercy, and Your truth.

As we gather in worship and prepare to come to Christ's table, remind us that Your grace sustains us through every joy and struggle. Shape us into faithful disciples who trust in Your goodness and walk in Your ways. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Reading - Psalm 119: 65-72 NSRV Dan Mabey

⁶⁵ You have dealt well with your servant, O LORD, according to your word. ⁶⁶ Teach me good judgment and knowledge, for I believe in your commandments. ⁶⁷ Before I was humbled I went astray, but now I keep your word. ⁶⁸ You are good and do good; teach me your statutes. ⁶⁹ The arrogant smear me with lies, but with my whole heart I keep your precepts. ⁷⁰ Their hearts are fat and gross, but I delight in your law. ⁷¹ It is good for me

that I was humbled, so that I might learn your statutes. ⁷² The law of your mouth is better to me than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

Hymn “Open My Eyes, That I May See” UMH #454

Prayers Dan Mabey

Children in Prayer (after each slide: In Your mercy, Lord, hear our prayer)

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Ode

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Dan Mabey

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 Dan Mabey

Generous God, all that we have comes from Your gracious hand. Receive these gifts and our lives as an offering of gratitude. Use them to share Your love, feed the hungry, bring hope to the hurting, and proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ. As we gather at Your table today, may we be nourished by Your grace and sent forth to serve in Your name. Amen.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Exhortation Pastor Ode

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Communion Hymn "O Come To The Altar" by Elevation Worship (video)

SENDING FORTH

Closing Hymn “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” UMH #127

Dismissal with Blessing

Benediction Pastor Ode

Carrying the Light of Christ out into the World

Postlude Cathy Mauge