

**Battle Mountain United Methodist Church  
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost     July 11, 2021**

*“This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth; you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to act in accordance with all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall be successful.” Joshua 1:8*

**Music to Prepare Our Hearts**

*(You are encouraged to listen to and/or sing Christian hymns/songs at home to prepare yourself for this time of worship.)*

**GATHERING AS A CHURCH**

**Prelude**

**Lighting of the Candles**

**Welcome and Announcements (p. 4)**

**Call to Worship: Psalm 1**

L: Blessed are those who do not walk in the counsel of the wicked; or stand in the way of sinners, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

**P: But their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on God’s law they meditate day and night.**

L: They are like trees planted by streams of water that yield their fruit in season, and their leaves do not wither.

**P: In all that they do , they prosper.**

L: The wicked are not so, but are like chaff which the wind drives away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment; nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

**P: For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.**

**Opening Songs**

**Opening Prayer**

Almighty God, you rule all the peoples of the earth. Inspire the minds of all to whom you have committed the responsibility of leadership in the world. Give to them your vision of truth and justice, that by their counsel all peoples may work together. Give to the people of our country zeal for justice and strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will. Forgive our shortcomings as a nation; purify our hearts to see and love the truth. We pray all these things through Jesus Christ. Amen.

## **HEARING THE WORD**

**Time for Youth**

**Offering of Tithes**

**Doxology / Prayer of Dedication**

### **Joys, Risks, and Concerns (p. 4)**

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.

**Old Testament Reading**

II Kings 23:1-7, 24-25

**Hymn of Preparation**

*"Thy Word is a Lamp"*

UMH 601 (p. 3)

**Gospel Reading**

Matthew 5:17-20

**The Message**

*"Delight in God's Law"*

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**Communion Hymn**

*"Wonderful Words of Life"*

UMH 600 (p. 3)

**Holy Communion**

**Invitation / Confession & Pardon**

### **Prayer after Receiving**

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **SENDING FORTH**

**Closing Hymn:**

*"God of the Ages"*

UMH 698 (p. 3)

**Benediction**

### **Thy Word Is a Lamp – UMH 601**

**(refrain) Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me, and nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end. **(refrain)**

Now I will not forget your love for me and yet my heart forever is wandering. Jesus, be my guide and hold me to your side, and I will love you to the end. **(refrain)**

### **Wonderful Words of Life – UMH 600**

Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life; let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life; words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty.

**(refrain) Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life. Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.**

Christ, the blessed one, gives to all wonderful words of life; sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life; all so freely given, wooing us to heaven. **(refrain)**

Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life; offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life; Jesus, only Savior, sanctify forever. **(refrain)**

### **God of the Ages – UMH 698**

God of the ages, whose almighty hand, leads forth in beauty all the starry band, of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past; in this free land with thee our lot is cast; be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay, thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm, our ever sure defense; thy true religion, in our hearts increase; thy bounteous goodness, nourish us in peace.

Refresh thy people, on their toilsome way; lead us from night, to never ending day; fill all our lives, with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

## **PRAYERS – JOYS / RISKS / CONCERNS**

**Churches:** Maxwell UMC @ Maxwell CA; McGill UMC @ McGill NV; our Contemporary Service on Saturday.

**Joys:** Dorothy successfully completed a high altitude 2.5 mile hike!; Lorice is doing well after surgery.

**Risks & Concerns:** Friends missing from Church; Clair and Lyle; Lorice, Charlotte, Pat-continued prayers for healing; Verona & Vergene's cousin Jane-surgery.

**Continued Prayer Requests:** Clair & Lyle; Shawn's Aunt Sal & Uncle Herb, sister-in-law Carol; Kayla & Mike -Mauldin; Barb Synek; Pat Brickley; James & Nancy Lockridge; Verona Dohms; Vergene Stacy; Elvira Ferjanec; Charlotte Hickman; Donna Roth; Amity Robbins; Melody Ann; Liz Kiehne and family; Tiffany's Mom & Dad (Angie & Charlie); COVID concerns; Local & National Leadership.

### **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

Bonnie & Stew Miller (in memoriam) – July 5th; Reggie Wheeler – July 5th; Trevor & Tiffany Jones – July 6th; Jim & Nancy Lockridge – July 23rd; Clair & Lyle Hamilton – July 24th; Judy Robbins – July 25th; Jarakah Pennington – July 26th

### **Worship Opportunities**

Praising & Praying @ 9:45 AM – Sunday School @ 10 AM – Worship @ 11 AM  
Drive-Up/Outdoor on FM radio 107.5 – Online Worship on Facebook and YouTube  
Contemporary Worship – Saturday, August 7th @ 6 PM

### **Personal Growth Opportunities**

Revelation Bible Study – Wednesday, July 14th @ 6 PM (In-Person & Zoom)

### **Service Opportunities**

Long-Term Care Worship – Sunday, July 18th @ 3:30 PM  
Helping Hands Food Bank at Assembly of God Church (on pause at present time)

### **Fellowship Opportunities**

Visit each other in-person, or call/text.  
No-Host Breakfast Saturdays @ 8 AM at The Owl Club

### **Upcoming Church Meetings**

Admin. Council – Wednesday, August 4th @ 6 PM (In-Person & Zoom)

### **Serving Our Church Today**

Worship Leader-Shawn Jones; Music-Keith Jones; Liturgist-Christine Potterjones; Message-Pastor Judy; Acolytes-Jennifer Staton, Blayne Jones, Verona Dohms; Lay Leader-Doug Staton

### **Prayer List and Chain**

Contact Verona Dohms at 635-2742 or Shawn Jones at 635-2335 to have your needs, concerns, or joys placed on our Prayer List or Prayer Chain.

### **Our Pastors' Contact Information**

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