

# **Centennial Multicultural United Methodist Church**

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# CENTENNIAL MULTICULTURAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 20, 2025 – 10:45 am

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - YEAR C

\*Please stand as you are able.

## GATHERING MUSIC:

Erica KesslerThe A

Mighty Fortress Is Our God  
*by Martin Luther*  
*arr. by Johnie Dean*

## INTROIT

How Great is Our God

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CENTERING WORDS

The righteous are like green olive trees in the house of the Lord. They will dwell in God's steadfast love forever and ever.

## OPENING PRAYER (in Unison):

**Loving God, your presence in our lives is like a green olive tree— a joy to the heart and a blessing to the spirit. Your movement in our midst is like a basket of summer fruit— a delight to the eye and a pleasure to the tongue. Speak to us your words of life, that we may sit at your feet and know that we are yours. Amen.**

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP:

We come into God's presence,

**like green olive trees in the house of God.**

We drink deep from the waters of life,

**like young saplings in the courtyard of the Lord.**

We ripen in the light of God,

**like the fruit of God's vineyard.**

Come! Let us worship.

## \*OPENING HYMN:

God of Grace and God of Glory

UMH 577 vss 1,2,4

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

God's grace overflows—more than we could ever earn or deserve. In response, we give—not to repay, but to reflect His generosity. Let us bring our tithes and offerings with hearts full of gratitude.

## OFFERTORY:

Erica Kessler

I Am His and He Is Mine  
*by James Mountain*  
*arr. by Johnie Dean*

## \*DOXOLOGY:

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

### OFFERTORY PRAYER (in Unison):

Loving God, like baskets of summer fruit, you fill our lives to overflowing. May the offering we return to you this day reflect our gratitude for your many blessings. May they show our commitment to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Through your goodness and the sharing of these gifts, may the world come to know the richness of your love. Amen.

### INVITATION TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in Unison):

When the winds of life buffet us, O God, we need your hand to hold us and your love to make us whole. Speak words of peace to our aching hearts, that we might find the courage to embrace the fullness of life you place before us. Correct our sight when our vision fades, and lead in right paths when we lose our way. Amen.

*Moment of Silence*

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

There is no condemnation in Christ. In his mercy, we are united and reconciled with God. Rejoice that we find abundant life in his name.

### HYMN OF WORSHIP

O Young and Fearless Prophet

UMH 444 vss 1,2,5

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PASTORAL PRAYER

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

**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.**

### CHILDREN'S TIME

Dave Holland

*(As the children come to the altar, please sing stanza 1 of Hymn 191, "Jesus Loves Me")*

### SCRIPTURE LESSON:

Jeremiah 17:7-8

***A reading from Jeremiah...***

<sup>7</sup> But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. <sup>8</sup> They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.

Leader: The Word of God

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON:**

"Planted on Purpose"  
Pastor Audrey Rochet

**\*CLOSING HYMN:**

Jesus Calls Us

UMH 398 vss 1,3,5

**\*BENEDICTION:**

Though we may leave God's house,

**we do not leave God's presence.**

Like green olive trees in the house of God,

**we will plant our roots in the soil of holy love.**

Heeding the joy of God's call in our lives,

**we go to share God's love for all.**

**GOING FORTH:**

Erica Kessler

Because He Lives  
*by Bill and Gloria Gaither*

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# Announcements

July 20, 2025

## **ADULT FAITH FORMATION:**

Wednesdays Bible Study:

- with Pastor Judith in English, 12pm. On ZOOM.

Tuesdays Bible Study

with Pastor Audrey at noon (12:00pm) through ZOOM

For information about the **Spanish Bible Study** day and time call Pastor Audrey at (630) 670-3580

**Saturday Kids Club.** Every Saturday from 10:30am to 12:45 pm.

SKC is looking for a director. Anyone interested please contact Carol Risenhoover. They are also seeking volunteers to help with cooking and shopping.

**Youth Workcamp - July 23–27** Our youth have a wonderful opportunity to take part in the District Youth Workcamp again this year, happening July 23–27. This meaningful event allows our young people to serve others, grow in faith, and build lasting friendships. The cost is \$150 per youth, with some financial assistance being provided by the conference. We are currently seeking sponsors to help support 6 to 9 youth who are eager to attend. If you feel called to encourage and invest in the next generation, please consider sponsoring a youth or contributing toward their expenses. Every gift makes a difference! For more information or to become a sponsor, please contact Dave Holland. We are also in need of adult volunteers. So if you or someone you know would like to volunteer please let Dave know.

**NEW UMC Vision Statement Release:** The United Methodist Bishops, in collaboration with other church leaders, have made public a new vision statement for The United Methodist Church that has been years in the making.

The vision states:

**“The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections.”**

We will also have an Ad Board meeting. The date will be announced.

## **Sunday Morning Schedule**

You're warmly invited to join us this Sunday!

Fellowship Time begins at 10:00 AM — come enjoy coffee, conversation, and community.

Worship Service follows at 10:45 AM — a time to lift our hearts in praise, prayer, and the Word.

**Prairie North District Merger Workshop** - Please save your date on Saturday August 2nd 9am to noon for the “Prairie North District Merger Workshop” at Christ UMC, Rockford. (4509 Highcrest Rd., Rockford).

**Aldersgate UMC: You Are Invited! You Are Invited! to our 2025 Annual Corn Boil** at Aldersgate United Methodist Church \$10 per person\*\* (ages 13 & up) \$5 (ages 5-12) FREE (4 & under) July 27, 2025 Hours: Noon - 3:30pm All-You-Can-Eat Corn, One Hot Dog\*, One Dessert, One Water, Pop, or Coffee\*

**NIC Conference: Help Needed on New Committees.** Legislation at Annual Conference created two new Committees: the Committee on Creation Care and the Committee on Inclusion. The Nominations Committee is now seeking individuals interested in joining. We'd like to invite you to fill out the form or share it with anyone you think will be a helpful addition. Please complete a volunteer form.

## **\*\*PRAYER LIST\*\***

**At W. Willows:**

**At Cherryvale Place:** *Carol Waxler*

**At Home:** *Aida DeJesus, Marlene Wibom*

**Undergoing Treatment/Rehab:** *Ken Dahlgren, John Paul, Chuck & Kim Whitmore, Jennifer Martin, Pastor Judith, Milka Rivera, Carol Risenhoover.*

## **BIRTHDAYS**

7/24 Mina Ruth Gray

## **Joys and Concerns**

7/13/2025

**Janie Kellermann** has asked that we lift up in prayer all those affected by the devastating floods in Texas, especially the families mourning the loss of loved ones.

**Dave Holland** requested prayers for one of our High School students, Tia, who is sick.

We hope you will worship with us again.

You can call Pastor Audrey if you need any assistance, please contact her at 630.670.3580.

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