



Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church

A Global Methodist Church



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First Reading — Jeremiah 2:4-8, 11-13

⁴Hear the word of the LORD, you descendants of Jacob, all you clans of Israel. ⁵This is what the LORD says: "What fault did your ancestors find in me, that they strayed so far from me? They followed worthless idols and became worthless themselves. ⁶They did not ask, 'Where is the LORD, who brought us up out of Egypt and led us through the barren wilderness, through a land of deserts and ravines, a land of drought and utter darkness, a land where no one travels and no one lives?' ⁷I brought you into a fertile land to eat its fruit and rich produce. But you came and defiled my land and made my inheritance detestable. ⁸The priests did not ask, 'Where is the LORD?' Those who deal with the law did not know me; the leaders rebelled against me. The prophets prophesied by Baal, following worthless idols.

¹¹Has a nation ever changed its gods? (Yet they are not gods at all.) But my people have exchanged their glorious God for worthless idols. ¹²Be appalled at this, you heavens, and shudder with great horror," declares the LORD. ¹³"My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water."

Gospel Reading — Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. ²Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. ³Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering. ⁴Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." ⁶So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper, I will not be afraid; What can mere mortals do to me?" ⁷Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

¹⁵Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. ¹⁶And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Order of Worship

The Gathering!

Welcome, Announcements & Birthdays

Scott Holden

Prelude - Prepare your hearts to worship God.

The Praise!

*Call to Worship (Psalm 81)

Scott Holden

Sing for joy to God our strength;

Shout aloud to the God of Jacob!

I am the Lord your God, who brought you up out of Egypt;

Open wide your mouth and I will fill it.

You would be fed with the finest of wheat;

With honey from the rock I would satisfy you. AMEN.

*Hymn of Praise

"Holy, Holy, Holy " (vs 1, 2, 4)

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Children's Time

Toddy LeBatard

Sharing of Community Celebrations and Concerns

Scott Holden

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Sherry Judy

The Offering!

*The Doxology

The Word!

*Prayer of Illumination: **Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

First Reading

Jeremiah 2:4-8, 11-13

Betty Furr

*Hymn of Preparation

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

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Gospel Reading

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostle's Creed

#881

Sermon

"Living our Faith Together"

Rev. Sherry Judy

*Closing Hymn

"Sanctuary"

#2164

The Sending Forth!

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

"Blessed Be the Tie that Binds"

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*Please stand if you are able.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please mark your attendance in the black fellowship folder at the end of each pew.

There will be a Capital Building Campaign & Finance Committee meeting directly after worship this morning.

Prints of the Church painting by Diane Ferrer are still available; please contact Beverly Evans if interested, 228-326-7932

Seashore Mission has requested assistance with their insurance premium increase; personal donations may be sent directly to Seashore Mission, P.O. Box 226, Biloxi, MS 39533

Don't forget to subscribe, share and engage on the Mt Pleasant Methodist Church's YouTube channel! Our mission is to spread God's love, inspire faith and build a vibrant online community. We're excited to bring our ministry to everyone in a fresh and accessible way.

<https://www.youtube.com/@MtPleasantGMC>

The Church-wide Study *Profoundly Christian, Distinctly Methodist* has begun! There is an introductory video on the YouTube channel with a link to week one's video lesson; study guides are available at the church. Group study is held each Wednesday at 10:30 and will be available on our YouTube channel. This week's reading and questions:

The Big Framework & God's Nature and Triune Identity

Pages 7-12/ Questions 1-3

Lectionary Readings for September 7, 2025

Jeremiah 18: 1-11

Psalms 139:1-5, 12-17

Philemon 1-21

****Luke 14:25-33****

Prayer List:

Ongoing Concerns:

Cleo Taylor, Ronnie Seymour, Billy Robinson, Mary Ward, Larry Hall, Woody VanDevender, Phyllis & Clint Gill, Donna Wittersheim, Billy Dill, Aven & Saylee Bryant, Betty Tootle, Bobby Lenardo, Grayson Morse, Debbie Harris, David Davidson, Paige & Mark McDougald, Susie Flurry, Karen & Gene VanWinkle, Mae Gamblin, James Ellis Bertucci, Danielle Weitz, Gaynell Hill, Sara Caldwell, Vivian Brezeale, Melissa Odell, Jasper Pryor, Emma & Rickey Sharp, John Russell. Andrew Russell, Rosemary Meador, Trooper Tavon Moore, Nancy Riggins, Gwen Ellis, Jason Dewey, Katherine O'Brien, Donna Wells, Diane Upton, Martha Richardson, Carl Wyatt, Teresa Davis, Bruce Nevels, Billy Sanders, Doris Hand, Holly Heppner, Jerry Evans, Robbie Fant.

Weekly Prayer Requests:

Alicia Green, Hal Galloway, Wanda Hart, Windy Taylor, DeeDee Cain, Mary Smith, Tom Cameron, Roy Green, Kevin Edmonson, Danny Hunter, August Borden, Jason Dewey, Grayson Colvin, Sera Buras, the Bond, Webster, Steelman & Miller families, those affected by the Minnesota School Shooting, all traveling.

Our Nation: Leaders & Country

Our Military:

Wesley Savage. Brey Richmond, Jacob Ferrer, Hunter LaVann, Elizabeth Willis, Cody Bean, Clayton Demoran, Justin Shoemake, Chris Phifer, Nate Collins, Joseph Jackson, James Bell, Clay LeBatard, Austin Gill, Logan Grandstaff, Luke Self.

Current Weekly Events

- Ladies Bible Study Tuesday at 10:30 am.
- Ladies Come and Go Prayer Wednesday at 9:00 am.
- Wednesday Morning Bible Study meets at 10:30 am.
- Wednesday Night Together begins at 5:00 with a potluck dinner at 5:15. Children's Time and Adult Bible Study meet 6:00-7:00.
- WMMC– Meal Prep for Seashore Mission Meal this Thursday, Sept, 4th.
- Men's Christian Fellowship & Breakfast this Saturday, Sept. 6th, at 8 a.m.
- Sunday School for adults and children meet every Sunday at 8:15 am and Worship at 9:30 am.

Happy Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sissy Inabinette (31)

Toddy LeBatard (31)

Sheryl Shelby (1)

Tommy & Trish Pinkerton (1)

Paul LeBatard (4)

Robin Cameron (5)

Sissy Mizelle (6)

Emma Sharp (6)