



Prayers for health concerns:

Elliot Noble
Betty Staffon
Marty Franko

For those who are remembering loved ones...

Care Center Residents...

Giving thanks & praying for:
Our nation and leaders...

Our school teachers,
administrators, students...

Service women & men and
their families...

Local health care
professionals, group home, &
care center workers...

Law enforcement &
emergency service workers...

Area congregations...

If you have a loved one you
would like to have added to
the Prayer Corner list, please
contact the Church Office at

507.374.6885 or
secdcumc@gmail.com

Ministry Servants...

Thank You for our ministry servants
who are helping out in worship
today:

Reader Lisa O'Neil
Counters Lisa O'Neil and Doris Weber

Scheduled for next Sunday, July 26:

Reader Janet Bugarin
Counters Shawn Lepp and Tyler Kispert

This Week

SUN July 19
8:30 am Worship
9:30 am Coffee Fellowship

WED July 22
10:00 am Pastor Daren
 Office Hours
 (until 5:00 p.m.)

THURS July 23
6-7:30 pm Caregivers
 Meeting

SUN July 26
8:30 am Worship
9:30 am Coffee Fellowship

Worship Attendance	Last Sunday
LIVE STREAM VIEWS	59
IN PERSON	18
TOTAL	77



Sunday, July 19, 2026
Worship - 8:30 a.m.



Dodge Center UMC on FaceBook
Dodge Center UMC on YouTube

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The 8th Sunday
after
Pentecost

July 19th, 2026

8:30 a.m.

Worship Leader:
Rev. Dr. Daren Flinck

Accompanist:
Janet Bugarin

TFWS - The Faith We Sing
UMH: United Methodist Hymnal

✠ Please stand as you are able

CENTERING WORDS ¹

Breathe in and consider what God has done throughout the generations.
Breathe out and know that God abides with us in our sufferings and frustrations.
Breathe in and dream of what God can do.
Breathe out in hope and gratitude for what God will do in worship today.

PRELUDE - WELCOME - ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Come to Worship God

PRAISE

INSERT - "Jesus Stand Among Us"

CALL TO WORSHIP ²

We look at this world, focusing on the pain and confusion,
the fears and hatred which seem to abound.

For what can we hope?

We wait breathlessly for the goodness of creation to be made
manifest in all the world, for this is the promise of God.

God is always with us, guiding, rescuing, healing, restoring us.

Get ready, dear friends, the promises of God are true.

Lord, quiet our spirits and open our hearts.

Bring us hope and peace.

✠ PRAISE

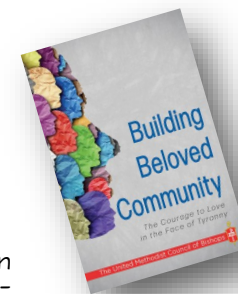
UMH #144 - "This Is My Father's World"

✠ OPENING PRAYER ³

Lord, help us remember we are meant to be wheat in the

Summer Book Study...

You're invited to participate in a 2026 Summer Book Study led by Bishop Lanette. In this area-wide study, United Methodists are invited to read "Building Beloved Community: The Courage to Love in the Face of Tyranny" by The United Methodist Council of Bishops. This book offers a roadmap for these turbulent times where we see polarization dividing communities and people of faith. All are welcome! Mark your calendar and encourage others to join you.



Discussions will be held via Zoom on the fourth Saturday morning in July, August and September, from 9-10:30 a.m. You may have missed the first session, but you can still join in! See Pastor Daren for more details.

Live Streaming...

You can catch our live stream broadcast on your smartphone, iPad, Smart TV or computer at this app channel:

Dodge Center UMC FaceBook page
Dodge Center UMC YouTube Channel

Please note that all of our services can be viewed at the above location even after the service is over. For questions, please contact Lisa O'Neil or Pastor Daren

Our Facebook Page

We have an active Facebook page that seeks to promote the ministry of our church. Announcements, events, and sharing stories takes place on our Facebook page. We also make special announcements via our page to keep you up to date on schedule changes. Go to Facebook and search for Dodge Center United Methodist Church.

Pastor Daren's Blog

Pastor Daren has a blog that provides insights and behind the scenes reflections on our busy lives today. Here is the link to Pastor Daren's blog - subscribe to it today (no cost):

revdaren.blogspot.com



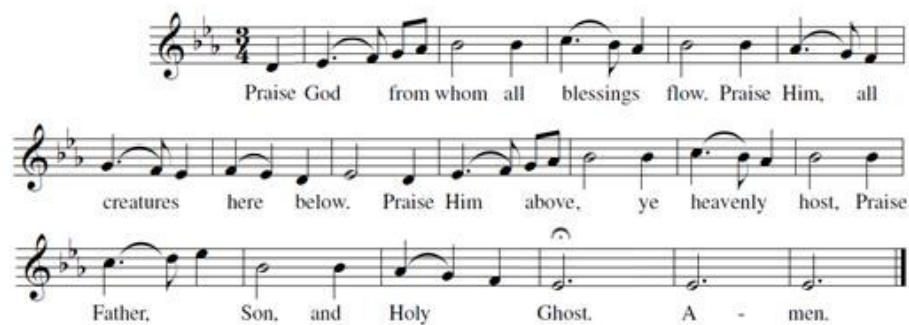
Jesus Stand Among Us



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Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Words by Thomas Ken
 Music by Jimmy Owens



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Kingdom. Our job is to grow and bear fruit. Help us to persevere, so that we can take our place with others to gradually let goodness triumph. Help us to not be discouraged when weeds seem all around. Let us trust You to always be in charge of YOUR Kingdom. Amen.

PRAISE

TFWS #2025 - "As the Deer"

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE - THE LORD'S PRAYER

We Hear God's Word

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION ⁵

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

THE GOSPEL LESSON (Page 14 - Pew Bible) Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

MESSAGE

"The Golden Ticket"

We Respond to God's Word

RECOGNITION OF OFFERING

(please place your offering in the plates as you depart worship)

✠ DOXOLOGY

INSERT - "Praise God From Whom"

✠ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING ⁶

Almighty God, you have been planting seeds of blessing and provision for thousands of years. In gratitude for all You have done, we give you thanks and praise. For the work you have called us to accomplish in this season, we give our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. For the harvest yet to come, we pray for your direction and protection, that all we contribute may bring forth your fruitful bounty in the field of your heavenly dream. Amen.

We Go Forth to Serve God

✠ PRAISE

UMH #398 - "Jesus Calls Us"

✠ THE BENEDICTION - ✠ POSTLUDE

¹ The Centering Words are based on or inspired by Genesis 28, Romans 8 & Matt. 13.

² The Call to Worship is based on or inspired by Matt. 13.

³ The Opening Prayer is based on or inspired by Matt. 13.

⁴ The Prayer for Illumination is a traditional prayer used in United Methodist worship.

⁵ The Prayer of Thanksgiving is based on or inspired by Genesis 28 & Matt. 13.

All are based on [or taken from] "The Abingdon Worship Annual 2026", edited by Mary J. Scifres and B.J. Beu or other resources from the internet.

Behind Today's WORSHIP Music

Insert "Jesus Stand Among Us"

Written by Irish evangelical Anglican clergyman William Pennefather in 1873, this traditional hymn was composed for the Mildmay Conferences on missions. It was published in his 1875 collection *Original Hymns and Thoughts in Verse* and features the well-known opening line, "Jesus, stand among us in Thy risen power." The hymn has its origins from the scriptural account of the resurrected Jesus standing among His disciples (John 20:19).

143 "This Is My Father's World"

Maltbie D. Babcock's frequent walks through the hills near his home inspired this hymn. Written in 1915, Babcock saw God in elements of nature, such as rocks, trees, skies, seas, birds, light, flowers, and rustling grass. The text proclaims God as "the music of the spheres", the order and harmony of the universe. The hymn has enough depth for believers of all ages.

2025 "As the Deer"

This song is a popular Christian worship song that was written in 1981 by Martin J. Nystrom. He composed it in just a few minutes during the 19th day of a spiritual fast, when he opened his Bible to Psalm 42 and began singing the passage's plea for a deeper connection with God. Nystrom, a Seattle native and former school teacher, was attending the Christ For the Nations Institute in Dallas, Texas, when he wrote the piece. It gained massive popularity after being published by Maranatha! Music in 1984 and has since become a staple in hymnals and contemporary worship sets worldwide.

592 "Jesus Calls Us"

Author of many hymns for children, Cecil Frances Alexander chose to teach the basic tenets of faith through her poetry, in this instance the Apostles' Creed. The second stanza originally read, "As of old, Saith Ander heard it," and the hymn was entitled "Saint Andrew's Day." In later editions, the second stanza was changed to "th'apostles." Set to the familiar tune galilee, it is appropriate as a hymn of commitment sending forth.

These descriptions are found in the book
"The Hymns of the United Methodist Hymnal" by Diana Sanchez
and other sources from the internet.

GOD'S DIRECTION IS ALWAYS BEST!

The Parable of Weeds among the Wheat

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 - NRSV

²⁴ He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵ but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. ²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷ And the slaves of the

householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?'

²⁸ He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹ But he replied, 'No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰ Let both of them grow

together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn."

³⁶ Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field."

³⁷ He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸ the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels.

⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴² and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.

TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL [YOUR] HEART...

PROVERBS 3:5

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