

Order of Worship

“Blessed: A Different Kind of Life”

June 21, 2026

Prelude *“All My Trials”* Traditional

Welcome and Announcements

* Gathering Hymn *“A Different Kind of Life”* MF Smith

* Call to Worship ♀ (*L: liturgist. P: People*)

L: Blessed are the poor in spirit, the downtrodden and despairing,

P: They will rejoice in God’s reign forever.

L: Blessed are those who mourn, who are grieving

P: They will be comforted in God’s reign forever.

L: Blessed are the ones who seek justice and righteousness

P: They will find it in God’s reign forever.

L: Blessed are we when we love our neighbors and seek their needs

P: We will live in God’s reign forever.

L: Blessed are we all when we seek to serve others in God’s name.

P: Let us worship together, serving one another and serving our Mighty God.

* Hymn *“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”* UMH #158

Opening Prayer ♀

Holy God, we come before you this morning as people called not to comfort, but to faithfulness. Before we ever sought you, you were seeking us — and your grace has brought us to this place of worship. As we gather, remind us that the life of Christ is not a life of ease, but a life of love — even when love costs something. Prepare our hearts now to receive your Word, and by your Spirit, make us willing to walk the road Jesus walked. May this time of worship send us back into the world as instruments of your grace. In the name of Jesus, our suffering Savior and risen Lord, Amen.

Response *“Take My Life and Let It Be”* (UMH #399)

**Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.**

**Take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.**

**Take my feet, and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.**

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory. Forever and ever. Amen.

Anthem *“The Beattitudes”* Avery/Marsh/Arr. Wilson

Invitation to Offering

Jesus reminds us that the blessed life is not a protected life, it is a faithful one. As we give this morning, we join a long line of those who have offered themselves and their resources in pursuit of righteousness, trusting that the kingdom of heaven belongs not to the comfortable, but to the committed. Let us give, not out of obligation, but out of the grace that found us first.

Offertory Music *“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”* Toplady/Hastings

* Giving of Our Gifts *“Give Thanks”* Black Hymnal 2036

Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:1-10 Pew Bible pg. 785

Sermon: *Rejoice and Be Glad*

* Hymn *“Because He Lives”* UMH #364

Benediction

Choral Benediction *“We Shall Overcome”* Spiritual

*The flowers this week are given in honor of the birthdays of
Eric Asendorf & Allison Deyo by Lisa Asendorf*

**Signifies to stand, if able.*

♀ *Call to Worship* written by Rev. Mindi, and posted on **Rev-o-lution**. <http://rev-o-lution.org/>. The opening prayer is inspired by a prayer by Phil Ware, found in "What Jesus Did!" in the website prayerrequest.com.

WEEK AT A GLANCE:
Office Open: Tuesday-Friday 9AM-3:15PM

Monday 22nd

- Pastor's Study Day this week
- "Key Truths for Women" Book Study – 6 PM (Library)

Tuesday 23rd

- "The Benefit of Doubt" Book Study – 10:30 AM (Fitzgerald Room)
- Social Justice Team – 3PM (Library)
- Trustees– 7PM (Fitzgerald)

Wednesday 24th

- Prayer Meeting – 11 AM (Youth Room)
- Handbell Choir Rehearsal 5:45 PM (Sanctuary)
- Choir Rehearsal 7 PM (Sanctuary)

Thursday 25th

- Pastor's Day off this week.

Friday 26th


- The Wesley House Thrift Shop Open 10 AM - 2 PM

Saturday 27th

- Women's Breakfast 8:45AM (gather at church)
- Men's Breakfast 8:45AM (Fellowship Hall)
- The Wesley House Thrift Shop Open 10 AM - 2 PM

Sunday 28th

- Celebration Sunday and Worship – 10AM



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the meek • they who hunger
the merciful • the pure of heart
the peacemakers • Rejoice and be Glad

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