



RELEASING GOD'S BLESSINGS

"Blessed People Bless Others"

Sermon Series: Week 2



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Methodist Church of Lancaster
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**First United
Methodist Church**

Our Vision

To be a central hub of Christian
ministry in Lancaster County & beyond

Our Mission:

Connect people to Jesus Christ
& the church, grow Christian disciples,
& relieve suffering

October 18, 2026

10:45 AM

Prelude "God of Grace and God of Glory" (arr. Jason Krug)
Youth Handbell Choir- Peter Omundsen, Director

Announcements & Greeting Pastors Jason Ríos & Laura Sambrick

Introit "God of Grace and God of Glory" (John Hughs)
Chancel Choir: Brian Norcross, Director

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We are blessed, not because we have everything we want,

People: But because God provides everything we need.

Leader: Consider the lilies of the field and how they grow.

People: And yet God adorns them so radiantly.

Leader: So don't let questions of doubt and lack worry your soul,

All: God knows exactly what we need.

*Hymn No. 158 "Come Christians Join to Sing"

*Affirmation of Faith, No. 881 Apostles' Creed

Common Prayer

Gracious God, you are the giver of every good gift. Open our hearts today that we may worship you with joy and generosity. Plant your grace deeply within us, and help us to sow seeds of kindness, compassion, and love.

May all that we offer - our time, our gifts, and our lives - bring glory to you and blessing to others. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Anthem "Boundless Love" (Katherine Davis)
Chancel Choir- Brian Norcross, Director

Preparation for Prayer, No. 393 "Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Children's Moment

Pastor Jason

** * Children age 3-5th grade are dismissed to Jr. Church * **

*Hymn No. 581

"Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service"

Scripture

2 Corinthians 9:6-10 (*pew Bible, NT, p 173*)

Message

Series: "Releasing God's Blessings"

Week 2: "'Blessed People Bless Each Other'"

Pastor Jason Ríos

Hymn Response, No. 593

"Here I Am, Lord" (v.2 & 3)

Receiving the Offering

"Blessed Be the Lord"/"He is Lord" (arr. A. Burger)
Bill Crabtree, piano

*Doxology, No. 682

"All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night" (stanza 5)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here
below praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy
Ghost.**

*Congregational Prayer

**God, you are our source, and everything else is our resource. You are
an unlimited supply of grace, love, joy, and all that we need in our lives.
Nothing can compare to you. Nothing comes close. There is no shortage
in you. As we acknowledge that we are blessed, may we be generous in
sharing our resources with others. We give thanks for the gifts received
this day. May they bless our community. Amen.**

*Hymn No. 577

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Response, No. 577

"God of Grace and God of Glory" (stanza 1)

**God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; crown thine
ancient church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom,
grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.**

Postlude

"Fanfare and Trumpet Voluntary" (David Lasky)
Peter Omundsen, organ

SERMON NOTES
(or holy doodling!)

10:45 AM Worship

Usher Chief - Bruce Grove
Acolyte – Greg Adkins
Liturgist – Carole Adkins
Sound Tech – Amaya DiBiasi
Projector/Livestream– Alexandra Neumann

Pastors– Jason Ríos & Laura Sambrick
Ministers– First Church Congregation

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