

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost
July 19, 2026

THE CHURCH GATHERS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR; ANNOUNCEMENTS; PASSING THE PEACE; PRELUDE

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Responsively

Leader: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

People: *Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.*

Leader: God sees your tears and hears the cries of the brokenhearted.

People: *We bring our sorrows and our grief to the Lord.*

Leader: God is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

People: *In the midst of our weeping, we will seek His comforting presence.*

All: *Let us worship God who heals our wounds and turns our mourning into joy!*

***HYMN # 21 (Red Hymnal)**

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

A BEATITUDE BLESSING (Unison)

based on Matthew 5:4

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are those who have suffered great loss, for they will be healed. Blessed are the empty, for they will be filled. Blessed are those who feel their spiritual poverty, for they will become rich. Help me, Lord, to be among those who mourn, to join you in your sadness for all that's wrong and broken in this world, and in joining you, to find true comfort. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** - *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: World without end. Amen.*

A WORD FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

PREPARATION FOR PRAYER

THE MORNING PRAYERS 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE GIVE THANK OFFERINGS TO GOD

GIVING GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** - *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. Amen.*

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Isaiah 40:1-2 (Pew Bible p.714)

Matthew 5:4 (Pew Bible p.958)

THE SERMON:

Dr. William D. Coker

"Blessed Are Those Who Mourn"

WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

A Trinitarian Creed

Leader: God is Love;

People: *God is Love, indeed!*

Leader: Jesus is Lord;

People: *Jesus is Lord, indeed!*

Leader: The Holy Spirit is Comfort;

People: *The Holy Spirit is Comfort, indeed!*

All: *Glory be to God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.*

***HYMN #405 (Red Hymnal)**

My Jesus I Love Thee

***BENEDICTION**

Go now, knowing you are deeply loved, richly comforted, and never alone in your times of grieving. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

POSTLUDE - (*) *We stand as we are able.*

Announcements:

1. *We will have our next Fellowship luncheon today immediately after worship.*

2. *New Sermon Series:*

- July 19 - "Blessed Are Those Who Mourn"
- July 26 - Guest Minister
- August 2 - "Blessed Are the Meek" (Communion)
- August 9 - "Blessed Are Those Who Hunger & Thirst for Righteousness"
- August 16 - "Blessed Are the Merciful"
- August 23 - "Blessed Are the Pure in Heart"
- August 30 - Guest minister (Gone to Swim with the Sharks)
- September 6 - "First Things First"
- September 13 - "Blessed Are the Peacemakers"
- September 20 - "Blessed Are Those Persecuted"

3. *Prayer List:*

- a. *Ben Reeves* (friend of Allen Boyd)- still hospitalized with many health issues
- b. *Shane Ferraro*: (Bowyers daughter, Peyton's best friend) currently undergoing chemo for Stage 2 colon cancer.
- c. *Melissa Hughes* - (Niece of Marlene Mathis) is undergoing treatment for Stage 4 metastatic bone cancer. Melissa is focused on spending quality time with her children and making memories with them. Pray for this mother of young children and her family as they seek comfort and understanding.
- d. *Diann Hall* (sister of Rodney Bennett)- has had surgery and chemotherapy for cancer
- e. *Cleveland Shaw* - (the father of Biff & Cheryl's son-in-law) has a type of blood cancer
- f. *Patsy Rohrer* (Margaret's sister-in-law) had a knee replacement removed to heal an infection; she is now in a movable brace and will have her temporary knee replaced in the fall.



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