

# The Well

*Ninth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 10, 2025*

## **We Gather**

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Celebration                      *Our God's Alive*

Welcoming One Another

Song    *Blessed Be Your Name*

*Blessed be your name  
in the land that is plentiful,  
where your streams of abundance flow,  
blessed be your name.*

*Blessed be your name  
when I'm found in the desert place,  
though I walk through the wilderness,  
blessed be your name.*

*Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise.  
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say,  
"Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
blessed be your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
blessed be your glorious name!"*

*Blessed be your name  
when the sun's shining down on me,  
when the world's all as it should be,  
blessed be your name.*

*Blessed be your name  
on the road marked with suffering,  
though there's pain in the offering,  
blessed be your name.*

*Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise.  
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say,  
"Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
blessed be your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
blessed be your glorious name!"*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
blessed be your name.*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
blessed be your glorious name!*

*You give and take away,  
you give and take away;  
my heart will choose to say,  
“Lord, blessed be your name.”*

*God, You give and take away,  
Oh, you give and take away;  
my heart will choose to say,  
“Lord, blessed be your name.”*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
blessed be your name.*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
blessed be your glorious name!*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
blessed be your name.*

*I choose to say, “Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
blessed be your glorious name!”*

*Blessed be your name!*

*You give and take away,  
God, you give and take away;  
my heart will choose to say,  
“Lord, blessed be your name.”*

*God, You give and take away,  
you give and you take away;  
but my heart will choose to say,  
“Lord, blessed be your name.”*

*Oh, you give and take away,  
you give and take away;  
my heart will choose to say,  
“Lord, blessed be your name.”*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
Blessed be your name.*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
Blessed be your glorious name.*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
Blessed be your name.*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
Blessed be your glorious name.*

*Blessed be your name!*

## **We Hear God's Word**

First Scripture Lesson

[Isaiah 43:1-3a](#)

Joe Fisher

43 <sup>1</sup>But now, says the Lord—  
the one who created you, Jacob,  
the one who formed you, Israel:  
Don't fear, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name; you are mine.  
<sup>2</sup> When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
when through the rivers, they won't sweep over you.  
When you walk through the fire, you won't be scorched  
and flame won't burn you.  
<sup>3</sup> I am the Lord your God,  
the holy one of Israel, your savior.

Sharing Faith with God's Children

Chris Fulkerson

*Care for children up to age 5 is in Room 121. Worship Kits for children, containing crayons and puzzle sheets based on Scripture, may be found in the entrance area.*

Song

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

Second Scripture Lesson

[Numbers 6:22-27](#)

6 <sup>22</sup> The Lord spoke to Moses, saying:  
<sup>23</sup> "Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them:  
<sup>24</sup> The Lord bless you and keep you;  
<sup>25</sup> the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
<sup>26</sup> the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.  
<sup>27</sup> So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

The Message

"The Gospel According to Pixar: Toy Story"

Pastor Duane

*If you would like to discuss today's message after the service is over, join the Reflections group in Room 114.*

## **We Respond to God's Word**

Reaffirmation of Baptism

Pastor:

Brothers and sisters in Christ, through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy Church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price. Through the reaffirmation of our faith, we renew the covenant declared at our baptism, acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy Church.

Pastor to Congregation:

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

**I do.**

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

**I do.**

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

**I do.**

According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy Church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world?

**I will.**

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments: Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray: Eternal Father, when nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light. In the days of Noah, you saved those on the ark through water. After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow. When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt, you led them to freedom through the sea. Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

**Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of God's mercy each day.**

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus, nurtured in the water of a womb. He was baptized by John and anointed by your Spirit. He called his disciples to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations.

**Declare Christ's works to the nations, his glory among all the people.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit, and by this gift of water call to our remembrance the grace declared to us in our baptism. For you have washed away our sins, and you clothe us with righteousness throughout our lives, that dying and rising with Christ we may share in his final victory.

**All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever. Amen.**

Pastor:

Let us rejoice in the faithfulness of our covenant God:

Congregation:

**We give thanks for all that God has already given us. As members of the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we will faithfully participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

Offering Our Gifts

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom com,  
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.**

**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 Are Sent to Serve**

Closing Song

*Friend of God*

The Blessing

