# The Methodist Messenger

# July 2020

# United Methodist Church ~ Lindsay, Oklahoma

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#### July Sermon Series:

Seeking God

# Sunday, July 5 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion

Picturing God Special Music by Alexia Herrin, "Tribute to America" Worship 10:55am Narthex & Front Porch

#### Sunday, July 12 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Discovering Who We Are
Special Music by Megan Dutton,
"Come, Now is the Time to
Worship" & "What a
Beautiful Name"
Worship 10:55am
Narthex & Front Porch

### Sunday, July 19

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
Receiving the Kingdom
Special Music by Shelby Sanders,
Worship 10:55am
Narthex & Front Porch

## Sunday, July 26

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
Belonging to the Family of God
Special Music by Matthew Dutton,
"When We All Get to Heaven"
Worship 10:55am
Narthex & Front Porch

### We have many ways available to worship each week.

For those who are still staying home as much as possible, you are able to listen to worship on KBLP 105.1 at 11am every Sunday. You can also watch our recorded service on the Lindsay United Methodist Church Facebook page. If you are getting out and about and want to join together to worship, here are your options.

To come into the building for Worship, wearing a mask is required. We are continuing to social distance and have the Narthex set up with areas 6ft apart. If you choose not to wear a mask, you can gather (at a safe distance) on the front porch. For both of the worship areas at the church, we will listen to the same sound speaker. So even as we are separated, we are still gathering as one. For each of these options, please bring your own lawn chair.

For those worshiping at home, bulletins are available in print every Thursday morning. You can pick one up off the shelf by the upper room magazines by the church office. Office hours are 10 am-4 pm, please knock at the door. We are working in the office with the doors locked. You can call the church office to request a bulletin by email or by snail mail. If we miss your call, please leave us a message on the answering machine. Lacie will call you back if she needs your address. Lacie's email is lwilkins.lumc@gmail.com, feel free to send her a note to add you to the bulletin list or any questions you may have.

The only way we can keep tract of our worshipers is for you to let us know. If you are a regular listener on KBLP 105.1 FM, let us know. You can do that by calling, dropping us a note through the mail, Instant Messaging, or click LIKE on our Facebook page where we stream worship every Wednesday evening for the following Sunday. (June 28th worship was deleted on accident).

We know of over sixty people who listen on the radio or Facebook every week. We are watched coast to coast and Corpus Christi to Montana. Share the Facebook worship to your page and our media congregation will grow and grow.

#### What is Your Picture of God?

That question can be startling, surprising, and very thought-provoking. I was asked that in a Bible study one time and I thought, "Well, this is going to be a breeze." By the end of her lecture, I was in a deep fog knowing I was in way over my head! That morning I discovered what I knew would fit on the tip of a needle. Now, I'd been in Sunday school, worship, Bible studies, choir, and taught Bible studies and Sunday school most of my life. I took extensive notes of most sermons. How had I missed what I heard that morning? I was thrilled that I had finally found a Bible study that challenged my pre-conceived knowledge of God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, why I exist, and where I fit in to His overall plan.

For the first time in my life, I stopped to think about my image of God. Yes, I did feel that I needed to earn God's grace. Yes, I did believe I had to achieve his affirmation. Yes, I did sense that God would withdraw his blessings if I did not measure up. Yes, I did believe that I was living vicariously through the blessings God was pouring out on my son, Tom. Gradually it dawned on me that I had come to view God as a somewhat passive spectator, sitting in the balcony of my life, whose applause would only come in response to satisfactory performance. Every prayer I prayed was for the protection, love, and care for my son. Whatever spilled over onto me was enough. I had a very dysfunctional picture of God when I started seminary and that had expressed itself in a dysfunctional way of living.

There is a picture of God drawn inside each of our hearts and minds. This picture, formed over the years through various influences, significantly shapes the way we live our daily lives. As we reflect on our ideas about God, we are invited to enter a redrawing process in which we gain a clearer view of who God truly is. I challenge you today to seriously re-examine your picture of God. I believe there is a connection between your schedule-driven lives and your view of God.

Over the next three months we will be exploring true spirituality. I'm not speaking of a world of uninterrupted silence. *Spirituality* is being intentional about the development of those Christ-shaped convictions, attitudes, and actions through which our identity as God's beloved is formed and given personal expression within our everyday lives.

Come, let's worship God together!

Pastor Jacki

# Life in the Body of Christ

#### ...Our Presence in June...

Worship 76

#### ...Our Gifts...

\$4,717.65
\$5,422.00
\$1,330.00
\$670.00
\$2,575.00

TOTAL \$9,997.00

\$18,870.60 was needed to meet all of our church needs for the month. We were under that amount by \$8,873.60.

#### ...Our Prayers...

Dillon Baker, Julia Murray, Pat Wall, Amy Ferguson, Jim Garrett, Diane Powell

#### Expectant Mother:

Amanda (Bevers) Gibson;

Shut-ins: Wilma Johnson

### Facing Health Challenges:

Bill Pool, Nancy Rogers, Katilyn Spencer, Julia Murray

# Pastoral Calls: Emergency or Non-emergency

When times of crisis, sudden illness, or death happen, your pastor is available any time of the day or night to offer prayers, be a spiritual support, and if need be, offer last rites and prayers for the dying. Call the church office during office hours: 756-2382. Any other time, please call Jacki's cell phone: 580-445-7464.



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#### July Anniversaries

6<sup>th</sup> John + Stephanie Harrison 7<sup>th</sup> Wayne & Suzanne Estes 10<sup>th</sup> Jereme & Lacie Wilkins 16<sup>th</sup> Ricky & Diane Webb 17<sup>th</sup> Stephen & Ashlee Sager 23<sup>rd</sup> Dan & Miranda Edwards

#### ...Condolences...

to the Family of Mary May Owens, she passed away on June 24, 2020.

#### ... UMC Food Pantry...

All food items are welcome. Please drop items off in the church kitchen.



- Canned vegetables
- Canned tomatoes
- Canned Fruit
- Soups
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Dry beans & rice
- Instant potatoes
- Jell-O
- Cereal
- Dry noodles
- Canned protein



#### July Birthdays

- Jason Hall Jr.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Andrea Harris Tyler Kemerling

2<sup>nd</sup>

- 4<sup>th</sup> Debbie Hargrove Darin Hayden Wilma Johnson
- 5<sup>th</sup> Kassi Turner Aria Metros
- 8<sup>th</sup> Sarah Harrison Alexia Herrin Niki Richardson
- 9th Joe Kennedy
- 10<sup>th</sup> Matt Boeckman Kraig Sundberg
- 11<sup>th</sup> Matthew Thomas Lorene Vaut
- 12th Alissa Moudy
- 14<sup>th</sup> Kaitlin Boydston Sydney Pracht
- 15th Kennedy Douglas
- 16<sup>th</sup> Katilyn Spencer
- 17<sup>th</sup> Tegan Butcher Megan Dutton
- 19<sup>th</sup> Alyssa Allison Stephen Sager Brenda Postlethwaite
- 22<sup>nd</sup> John Martin
- 25<sup>th</sup> Wesley Blackwell Kay Miller
- 26<sup>th</sup> Zaiden Cameron
- 27th Brent Boydston
- 29th Matt Griffith
- 30<sup>th</sup> Raakel Newby Gavin Rench
- 31st Carson Cameron

Lifeline Screenings will be at LUMC July 24. For an appointment... Call 1-888-653-6441 United Methodist Church P.O. Box 467 Lindsay OK, 73052

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