

Owatonna United Methodist Church
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Weekly Prayer List

Brenda Ambe;
Jena Ambe;
Mara Ambe;
Ethan Anderson;
Megan Andrist Gochnauer;
Allen & Cheryl Arnold

Happy Birthday this week

Brandon Kos;
Andrew Moen;
Sheri Peach;
Joel Pyatt;
Nancy Miller



If you have any pastoral care needs (in the hospital, illness, home care, etc.)
or know of someone who does, please inform the church office ~ 451-4734.
(The hospital does not call the church).

To watch from home, “Like” our Facebook page, and watch the service live
at 9:00 a.m. on **Facebook Live**.

Also available 24-7 on www.owatonnalive.com
and click on the picture of United Methodist Church.

Welcome to all visitors. When you are signing your name and address on the registration
pad, **please** include your phone number ~ especially if you are new to our community.

June 16th, 2024
~Father's Day Sunday~



Owatonna United Methodist Church

We are called to . . .
Gather in Christ's Name,
Grow in God's Love,
Serve All People.

The Order of Worship

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, June 16th, 2024-9:00a.m.

Prelude *How Deep the Father's Love for Us* arr. Lloyd Larson

† Welcome and Announcements

Centering Words

* Centering Hymn *The Family Prayer Song* Black #2188

Call to Worship:

L: Our relationships with our fathers are complicated.

P: For some of us, our father's love is like God's love -- too deep, too long, too wide, too strong to measure.

L: Some of our dads are here; some were never here.

P: For some of us, God's love fills in the empty spaces our fathers left behind.

L: All of us are shaped by the relationship or lack of relationship with our fathers.

All: On this day when we remember what it means to have a father or be a

father, we recognize the importance of fathers in our communities. We pledge as a congregation to love and nurture the fathers among us so that they will manifest the love of God in all that they do.

Opening Prayer:

Loving God, you who are our father and our mother, we thank you that you have shown us how important it is to follow your example as we grow in faith. Teach us to be obedient to your will, respecting you as children ought. Thank you for your mercy despite our disobedience. Strengthen us to stand up against the challenges of this world, honoring your name and trusting your grace. In the Name of your Son, we pray. Amen.

Passing the Peace

* Hymn of Praise *This Is My Father's World* Red #144

Prayer of Confession for Father's Day:

God, Father that you are, you know what is right for us, but too often we only want our way or no way, instead of your way. Have mercy upon us when we turn from you. Forgive us when we do not realize your Fatherly love and direction for us. Have mercy upon us indeed, and teach us anew how to follow you, Father that you are. We pray this through your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen.

~Silent Prayer~

Words of Assurance for Father's Day (based on Psalm 103) Screen

Psalter Psalm 103:1-18 Red #824

* Hymn of Response *Great Is the Lord* Black #2022

Gospel Mark 4:26-34

Message "Seeds of Promise" Pastor Lisa

L: For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us:

P: Thanks be to God, Amen!

* Hymn *Hymn of Promise* Red #707

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer Screen

Offering

* Doxology *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* Red #95

Offering Prayer

* Closing Hymn *Happy the Home When God Is There* Red #445

Benediction

Postlude *Pass It On* arr. Mark Hayes

* Please stand as you are able.

† Welcome to all visitors. Everyone please sign and pass the attendance register, and please join us for a social time after the service. Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers.