

BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

8:30 a.m. Sunday 15 June 2025

Trinity Sunday/Father's Day/Peace with Justice Sunday

ENTRANCE

(To help us connect, please sign the attendance pad in your pew)

Lighting of candles and prelude

Praise choruses: 2023 "How Majestic Is Your Name"
2145 "I've Got Peace Like a River"

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer: 76 "Trinity Sunday"

First lesson: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Psalter: 743 (*Response 1*) Psalm 8

Second lesson: Romans 5:1-5

Song: 64 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Gospel: John 16:12-15

Sermon

Joys, concerns, prayers

*Prayer: For fathers (*See page 2*)

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION (Page 15ff)

All are welcome

SENDING FORTH

Song: 92 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Closing prayer: 456 "For Courage to Do Justice"

Postlude, extinguishing of candles, going forth

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*FATHER'S DAY: *Observed the third Sunday in June, this day honors all fathers. It was first celebrated in Spokane, Washington, in 1910.*

Prayer**:

Silent prayers may follow each petition

For our fathers, who have given us life and love,
that we may show them respect and love,
we pray to the Lord...

For fathers who have lost a child through death,
that their faith may give them hope,
and their family and friends support and console them,
we pray to the Lord...

For men, though without children of their own,
who like fathers have nurtured and cared for us,
we pray to the Lord...

For fathers, who have been unable to be a source of strength,
who have not responded to their children
and have not sustained their families,
we pray to the Lord...

**God our Father, in your wisdom and love you made all things.
Bless these men, that they may be strengthened as Christian
fathers.**

**Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.
Grant that we, their sons and daughters,
may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect.
Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**
(Book of Blessings, U.S.A., 20th cent., alt.)

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