

First United Methodist Church of Gilbert

Serving, Giving, Welcoming, Growing in the likeness of Christ

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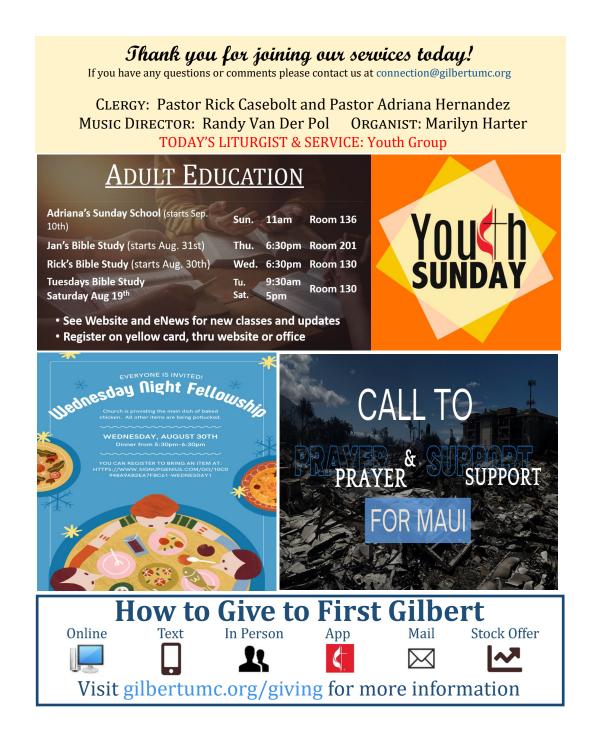
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Welcome!

Services at 8:00 and 9:30 am • See gilbertumc.org for streaming information <i>*please stand as you are able</i>							
Pre-service Music	sic "There's Something About that Name" "Jesus, Name Above All Names"						
Ringing of the Bell		Bailey Wilson/Ethan Rempel					
Welcome and Gree	ting	Cindie Rempel					
Passing of the Peac	e						
Bringing in the Light of Christ Victoria Paap							
Prelude "He Is Lord"							
*Call to Worship		Ty Hemingson					
Leader:	Family of God, as we gather today, Jesus asks us, "Who do you say that I am?"						
People:	You are our Messiah, the Son of the living God!						
Leader:	Family of God, as we gather today, the Holy Spirit asks us, "Who do you say that I am?"						
People:	You are our Comforter, Advocate, and Sustainer!						
Leader:	Family of God, as we gather today, God the Father asks us, "Who do you say that I am?"						
People:	You are our Creator, Provider, and Healer!						
Leader:	Family of God, as we gather today, the Triune God asks us, "Who do you say that I am?"						
(AII):	You are Love that creates, saves, and enfolds us into the family of God! May we be instruments of Love in all that we are and all that we do. Amen.						

***Opening Hymn** (8 & 9:30) *"Christ For The World We Sing"* vs 2,3,4 **#568**



*Opening Pra	yer				Na	ate Koenig	
Gracious and loving God, bless us with your presence as we worship this day. Bless us with your love as we grow in love and mature faith. Bless us with your guidance as we give ourselves to you, to your church, and to your work in the world. Amen. Anthem "Come, Christians, Join To Sing" Choir							
Scripture Rea Message	C		12:1-8; Matthew 16: ddy Paap, Gavin Re		Sco	nn Ramos & ott Hanson on Mason	
Prayer/Lord'	s Praye	r			Ro	on Mason	
Response	(8:00) (9:30)	"Take	e My Life and Let It I "We Believe"		Vs. 1,3 Youth & Pra Gavi		
Offertory	(8:00) &	a (9:30)	"Amazing Grace"		Na	ate Koenig	
*Doxology *Offering Pi		"Praise Goo	l, From Whom All Bl	lessings Flow		# 95 Sandvan	

Loving and generous God: As we offer our gifts this day, we confess that when confronted with Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?" our answer is ambivalent at best. Even when we get the words right, we know our lives give a different answer. We turn away from the suffering and oppression of your children. We accumulate wealth and prestige and ignore the poor and powerless. You give and hold nothing back, and we give from our excess and resent being asked to do more. Help us to respond with the answer that comes from the center of our being and that is demonstrated in our living. In Christ, we pray. Amen

*Closing Music	(8:00)	"The Church's One Foundation"	Vs. 1,4,5	#545
	(9:30)	"This Is Amazing Grace"	Youth & Praise Band	
*Blessing			Sha	ayla Paap
Postlude		"Glorify Thy Name"		