

First United Methodist Church of Gilbert

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

October 8, 2023

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Welcome!

Services at 8:00 and 9:30 am • See gilbertumc.org for streaming information *please stand as you are able

Pre-service Music

A Medley of Hymns

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Greeting

Divina Katching

Passing of the Peace

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Prelude (8:

(8:00)(9:30) "The Wise Man and The Foolish Man"

Special Music

(9:30)

"How Great Is Our God"

Children's Choir

*Call to Worship

Liturgist

Leader: Come!

Come! Now is the time to worship!

People:

We come to worship God who guides us.

Leader:

After delivering the Israelites out of bondage, God continued to guide them, giving them commandments to shape and form their life with

God and one another.

People:

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God's grace.

Leader:

Jesus tells a story of a vineyard owner and his tenants who choose violence instead of giving the owner the fruits of the harvest,

challenging us to choose—will we reject the Cornerstone or find in

Jesus our sure foundation?

People:

God guides us as we learn to pattern our lives after the rhythms of

God's grace.

Leader:

Too often we fall back into the pattern of rejecting what is good

for us, forgetting that the life of faith is always about following

God who provides for us and loves us.

People:

When we follow God's guidance, we learn to live God's new

pattern of life described in the commandments and

demonstrated by Christ.

Leader:

Come! Now is the time to worship!

All:

We come to worship God who guides us for the long haul.

*Opening Prayer

Liturgist

Holy Spirit, heavenly God, shine upon us with the wisdom of ancient words. Enlighten our minds, that we may perceive your presence. Strengthen our resolve, that we may press toward growth in love and faith. Help us grow closer to your likeness each and every day. Amen.

Anthem

"The Church's One Foundation"

Choir

Scripture Reading

Matthew 21: 33—46

Message

Pastor Rick Casebolt

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

| Response |
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(8:00)

"Spirit Song"

Vs 1,2

#347

(9:30)

"Holy Forever"

Praise Band

Offering

Offertory

(8:00)

"Rock of My Salvation"

(9:30)

"Goodness of God"

Praise Band

*Doxology

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

#95

*Offering Prayer

Liturgist

Blessed One, bless those who receive these gifts. Bless our words, our actions, and our gifts, that they may be blessings for your world. Bless these offerings and this time of worship, even as you strengthen this community of faith and the ministries of this church. Amen.

*Closing Music

(8:00)

"Lord Of The Dance"

Vs.1,2,4,5

#261

(9:30)

"Cornerstone"

Praise Band

*Blessing

Postlude

"Be Strong In The Lord"

Thank you for joining our services today!

If you have any questions or comments please contact us at connection@gilbertumc.org

CLERGY: Pastor Rick Casebolt and Pastor Adriana Hernandez MUSIC DIRECTOR: Randy Van Der Pol ORGANIST: Marilyn Harter

TODAY'S LITURGISTS: Nate Pearce & Jan Casebolt



Call for All Saints Day

First Gilbert will be observing All Saints Day during Nov.5 worship.

Please submit names for recognition by Friday Oct. 27 to secretary@gilbertumc.org



First Gilbert will honor Veterans on Sunday November 12th. We would like to once again show our Veterans' then and now photographs. If you have not done so in prior years, send us photos of Veterans in uniform and as they appear now.



Church Conference

Tuesday Oct. 24, 2023 7:00 pm

Praise Band Musicians

Needed

- Acoustic Guitar
 Bass Guitar
- Drums
 Floatric Cuita
- Any other instruments

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