



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF GILBERT

September 22, 2024

8:00 and 9:30 am

In Praise of Women Who Lead

UNCOMMON WISDOM WORSHIP SERIES



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First United Methodist Church of Gilbert

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During our services, we will be capturing video footage and photos to share with our online community to extend our worship experience to those who cannot join us in person.

Welcome!

*Please stand as you are able

Prelude (8:00) "Because He Lives" Marilyn Harter
(9:30) "All the Way My Savior Leads Me" Praise Band

Ringing of the Bell

Bringing in the Light of Christ

"The Church's One Foundation" The Wesleyan Bell Choir

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Adriana Hernandez

***Call to Worship**

Liturgist

Leader: Beloved, in a world that criticizes women who lead in the workplace and demeans women who stay home to tend their families, God's uncommon wisdom calls to us:

People: Recognize the leadership of women!

Leader: In a world where churches still deny and repress the gifts, graces, and callings of women, God's uncommon wisdom calls to us:

People: Nurture the leadership of women!

Leader: In boardrooms, family meetings, town councils, pulpits, and church committees, women lead us with their voices, their actions, their wisdom, and their strength. And so, God's uncommon wisdom calls to us:

People: Respect the leadership of women!

Leader: For too long, women who lead among us have been unnamed, underappreciated, and exploited as free labor. May we listen and act, then, as God's uncommon wisdom calls to us:

People: Support the leadership of women! Thanks be to God. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, June 2024.

***Opening Hymn** "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"

UMH 712

Prayer of Confession & The Lord's Prayer

Liturgist

Choral Response

"Blessings"

Chancel Choir

Lighting the Candle of Compassion

Randy Van Der Pol, Music Director

September is National Suicide Prevention Month – a time to remember the lives lost to suicide, acknowledge the millions more who have experienced suicidal thoughts, and the many individuals, families and communities that have been impacted by suicide. It's also a time to raise awareness about suicide prevention and share messages of hope with each other. Today we light the Candle of Compassion as we remember that we are never alone!

The Peace of Christ

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Song of Preparation "I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous)" Praise Band

Wondering Together Rev. Dr. Kristin D. Hansen

Scripture Reading Proverbs 31:10-31 NRSVue Liturgist

Message & Pastoral Prayer Pastor Kristin

Song of Response(8:00) "As the Deer" FWS 2025
(9:30) "Waymaker" Praise Band

Ministry Moment (8:00) Pastor Adriana
(9:30) **New Member Reception:** Peg Maul Pastor Kristin

Time of Offering (8:00) "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"
Marilyn Harter & Sylvia Moore
(9:30) "Graves Into Gardens" Praise Band

***Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

***Unison Offering Prayer** Liturgist

God of Love and Mercy, we bring these offerings with grateful hearts, honoring your enduring guidance in our lives. Just as Wisdom works with willing hands and provides for those in need, may these gifts be used to nurture and uplift our community. May we always give credit to your divine wisdom and grace. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

***Closing Music** (8:00) "Lord, Speak To Me" vs 1, 4-5 UMH 463
(9:30) "Blessed Be Your Name" Praise Band

***Benediction** Pastor Kristin

Postlude (8:00) "Holy, Holy, Holy Is the Lord of Hosts" Marilyn Harter
(9:30) "Blessed Be Your Name" Praise Band

*You are invited to the Activity Center (on the left as you exit)
for light refreshments and great conversation!*

Today's Liturgists: Nate Pearce and Joyce Steiner



Today, September 22, 2024

- 8 am **Worship** (Sanctuary), **Nursery**, **Children's Sunday School** (Preschool room 144)
- 9 am **Welcome Time**: Snacks, conversation and connection (Activity Center & Patio)
- 9:30 am **Worship** (Sanctuary and Live Stream on gilbertumc.org), **Nursery**, **Children Sunday School** (Rooms 144-147, 203-205), **Jr High** (Room 200), **Sr High** (Room 201)
- 9:45 am **Adult Sunday School Class** (Room 130)
- 11 am **Adult Sunday School Class** (Room 136), **Youth Group** (Activity Center)
- 7-11:00 am **Vitalant Blood Drive** (Activity Center)

This Week...

For Alcoholics Anonymous, Scouting, Gambler's Anonymous, go online to GilbertUMC.org.

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

- 9:15 am **Women's Bible Study** (Room 130)
- 6:30 pm **CCM Meeting** (Room 136)

Wednesday, September 25, 2024

- 12:00 Noon **Chat & Chew** (Room 136)
- 5:30 pm **Praise Team Practice** (Sanctuary), **Handbell Practice** (Choir Room)
- 6:30 pm **Chancel Choir Practice** (Sanctuary)

Sunday, September 29, 2024, Youth Leadership Sunday, 8 and 9:30 am

Monday, September 30-Friday, October 11 **Preschool Fall Break** – No school

Wednesday, October 2, 2024 All-Church Mission Project @ United Food Bank Must Register

Sunday, October 6, 2024 World Communion Sunday, 8 and 9:30 am

September is Suicide Prevention Month — If you need immediate help, you can call or text the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline for 24/7, confidential support. If you prefer texting, you can also reach the Crisis Text Line by texting HOME to 741741.

Additional Resources:

- American Foundation for Suicide Prevention afsp.org Resources available in multiple languages and helpline in English or Spanish.
- National Alliance on Mental Illness [Nami.org](https://nami.org) Families and Individuals
- The Trevor Project: crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to LGBTQ+ youth. Trained counselors available 24/7 via call, text, or chat at thetrevorproject.org.
- To Write Love on Her Arms TWLOHA.com Suicide and Substance Abuse