

Good Morning!

***North Bend Church***  
*a Global Methodist Congregation*

Sunday, September 8, 2024  
*Because God is worthy we worship*

**GATHERING AND WELCOME**

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

**BI-MONTHLY BOARD MEETING:** Church board members will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 17, to discuss business matters. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

**FAMILY FALL LUNCHEON:** We are excited for our first Family Fall Luncheon – featuring a taco bar – after church on Sunday, September 29. Lisa Gebhart will post notices on our Facebook page, which you encouraged to share. Please invite your family and friends. The church will supply taco meat, lemonade, tea and water. If you can help with side items or desserts, please add your name to the list at the back of the church.

**YOUNG ADULTS' BIBLE STUDY:** Each Wednesday at 7 p.m., Zane and Ashley-May are leading a Bible Study for young adults, ages 18-30. Please invite your friends and family members to experience this wonderful opportunity.

**GET WELL CARDS:** We are looking for someone to mail get-well cards to our congregants who might benefit from a reminder of our support and encouragement. If interested, please talk with Gloria George, 513-509-1944, who has materials to get started.

*(Are there any other Announcements?)*

## COME BEFORE THE LORD

### **\*Call to Worship<sup>1</sup>**

Leader: Lord, open our hearts this morning to hear your words of compassion.

**People: Lord, help us to truly listen to you.**

Leader: Lord, open our spirits this morning to strengthen our faith.

**People: Lord, help us to work for you.**

Leader: Lord, make us ready to serve.

**People: Lord, make us ready to witness to your healing love.**

**Amen.**

### **\*Singing**

*Majesty, Worship His Majesty*

UMH #176

(Twice)

**Majesty,  
worship his majesty;  
unto Jesus be all  
glory, honor, and praise.**

**Majesty,  
kingdom authority,  
flow from his throne**

**unto his own;  
his anthem raise.**

**So exalt,  
lift up on high  
the name of Jesus.  
Magnify, come glorify  
Christ Jesus, the King.**

**Majesty,  
worship his majesty,  
Jesus who died,  
now glorified,  
King of all kings.**

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## **PRAY UNTO THE LORD**

### **\*Praying Together<sup>1</sup>**

**Lord of mercy and compassion, be with us this day as we hear of the healing love of Jesus. Remind us that we are also recipients of his compassion, and we are called to bring the same hope and love to others. Prepare us for service in His Name. Amen.**

**Joys & Concerns**

**Silent & Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD**

**Anthem**

**Blessing of Offerings**

**\*Singing**      *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*      UMH #95

**Praise God, from whom  
all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures  
here below;  
praise him above,  
ye heavenly host;  
praise Father,  
Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.**

**Reading the Scripture**

Mark 2:13-17 (NIV)

2:13 Once again Jesus went out beside the lake. A large crowd came to him, and he began to teach them.

14 As he walked along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," Jesus told him, and Levi got

up and followed him.

15 While Jesus was having dinner at Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were eating with him and his disciples, for there were many who followed him.

16 When the teachers of the law who were Pharisees saw him eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they asked his disciples: "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

17 On hearing this, Jesus said to them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**Proclaiming the Gospel**

*Get Used to Different*

**RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD**

**\*Singing**

*Just As I Am, Without One Plea*

UMH #357

(v. 1, 2, 3, 4)

**1. Just as I am,  
without one plea,  
but that thy blood**

was shed for me,  
and that thou bidst me  
come to thee,

*Refrain:*

O Lamb of God, I come,  
I come.

2. Just as I am,  
and waiting not  
to rid my soul  
of one dark blot,  
to thee whose blood  
can cleanse each spot,

*Refrain:*

O Lamb of God, I come,  
I come.

3. Just as I am,  
though tossed about  
with many a conflict,  
many a doubt,



**fightings and fears  
within, without,**

*Refrain:*

**O Lamb of God, I come,  
I come.**

**4. Just as I am,  
poor, wretched, blind;  
sight, riches, healing  
of the mind,  
yea, all I need  
in thee to find,**

*Refrain:*

**O Lamb of God, I come,  
I come.**

**GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD**

**\*Receiving the Blessing**

**Postlude**

<sup>1</sup>*From "Worship Connection: September 8, 2024," by Nancy C. Townley, [ministrymatters.com](http://ministrymatters.com)*