



ASHLAND PLACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 12, 2026 7th Sunday After Pentecost

Swanson, John August, *Dream of Jacob*

PRELUDE

Andantino Religioso
Alicia Luttrell

Mendelssohn

WELCOME AND PARISH NOTICES

Rev. Julie Hare

Please take this time to sign the attendance pad located in your pew, or scan the CONNECT QR code located on the back of this bulletin.

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY *Three chimes signify the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

❖CALL TO WORSHIP

Don Bowden

Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

Your word is our heritage forever, the joy of our hearts.

♪❖HYMN OF PRAISE

God, Whose Love Is Reigning o'er Us

UMH 100

❖PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Patient and persistent God, we come, polished and presentable, to this comfortable room as if we knew what to expect, as if this were a safe and predictable place, as if we could simply observe. Holy One, forgive our tepid expectations. In the mystery of your love, overshadow us. Plant the seeds of your gospel in each of our hearts until we bloom and spill with your passion to serve in a world that is wasting. Amen.

❖PASSING OF THE PEACE *As forgiven and reconciled people, let us pass the Peace of Christ with one another.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of life, by the power of your Spirit, come to us now. Plow our hearts with your living Word until we who are broken become fertile with your love, for we long to bear fruit in a world that is wasting. We pray in the name of Jesus, whose charge we bear. Amen.

RESPONSIVE PSALTER

Psalm 119:33-40

UMH 841-842

Please join the sung response #3 when indicated by the red R.

Today's Acolyte: Henry Bostwick

❖ *Please Stand in body or spirit* **Bold Print** – *Congregation Reads Aloud*
Hearing amplifier devices are available. Please see an usher for assistance.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

After the children's moment, children may leave with our staff to go to the nursery. Following the service, parents can meet their children in The Landing.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 8:1-6

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. May God bless the reading of the Word. **Thanks be to God.**

MORNING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

♫ACT OF PRAISE

No More Night
Don Bowden

Harrah

❖SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 25:19-34

¹⁹These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, ²⁰and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. ²¹Isaac prayed to the LORD for his wife, because she was barren; and the LORD granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. ²²The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the LORD. ²³And the LORD said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger." ²⁴When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. ²⁵The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. ²⁶Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. ²⁷When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. ²⁸Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. ²⁹Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. ³⁰Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) ³¹Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." ³²Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" ³³Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. ³⁴Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

May God bless the reading of the Word. **Thanks be to God.**

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. **universal*

♪❖ GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

All Glory, Laud and Honor

arr. Berry

♪❖ DOXOLOGY

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.

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

♪❖ HYMN OF INVITATION

Hymn of Promise

UMH 707

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ POSTLUDE

Marche Op. 68, No. 1

Grieg

☞ ROSE ON THE ALTAR is in celebration of the birth of Adeline Paige Kiszla, daughter of Jayme and Luke Kiszla.



WELCOME

We want to thank you for choosing to worship with us at Ashland Place United Methodist Church. If you have questions about church activities, church membership, or the Christian faith, we would love to speak with you.



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FINANCIAL UPDATE

Offering Received Last Sunday \$10,105



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ONLINE GIVING

THIS WEEK AT APUMC

9:00am	Ascension Modern Service (FH)
10:00am	Sunday School
11:00am	Traditional Sanctuary Service (S)
7:00pm	Art and Music Camp (FH) - FH

Monday Men's Study Group, 7:00am (WP)

Tuesday Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10:00am (FP)

Thursday Men's Bible Study, 7:00am (WP)
Trivia Night, 7:00pm (206 State St.)

Friday Office Closed

FP-Fellowship Parlor, S-Sanctuary, WP-Wisteria Parlor
B-Basement, DW-Dumas Wesley, 126 Mobile Street

CIRCLE OF CONCERN

Please hold these persons in your prayers: Fay Adams, John Allen, John and Angela Bell, Jean Brown & son James Williams, Bob Cook, Ann Cottrell, Braxton & Linda Lee Counts, Julie & Steve Dugan, Mihyon Ellis, *Clara Ester, Phillip Fields, Bruce Finley, Missy Foose, Carl George (Chance George's father), Marcia Golson, Holly Hastings (Dee Dee Cook's sister), Diane Holub (Angela Prine's mother), Barbara Hunt, Richard LeMaitre (Kathy McMaken's Brother in Law), Libba Lyon, Jean McCutchen, John McMurphy, David Richards, Sara Robinson, Tom Root, Mary Davis Rutledge, Nancy Scott, Lonn Spencer, Sherry Thomson, Robert Wheeler (Emily McGough's brother), Merrill Whitener, Kathryn Willingham, and all caregivers (**new concern this week*)

CHILDREN'S MUSIC AND ART CAMP

We are excited to offer our second summer mini-camp TONIGHT from 5-7pm. All children and friends in grades K-5 are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE!

Our second annual flag football tournament and community tailgate will be held Sunday, August 30th. We will have one "Jesus Pep Rally" worship service at 10:00am, followed by a tailgate lunch, flag football tournament, games, music, and lots of FUN!

CIRCLE OF CONCERN UPDATES

Please contact Rev. Julie Hare, Minister of Community Care, with any updates to the Circle of Concern or other ongoing care needs such as births and deaths. You can reach her in the church office at jhare@apumc.com or 251.478.6356.

Hymns and Responses

God, Whose Love Is Reigning o'er Us

UMH 100

1. God, whose love is reigning o'er us, source of all, the ending true; hear the universal chorus raised in joyful praise to you: Alleluia, Alleluia, worship ancient, worship new.
2. Word of God from nature bringing springtime green and autumn gold; mountain streams like children singing, ocean waves like thunder bold: Alleluia, Alleluia, as creation's tale is told.
3. Holy God of ancient glory, choosing man and woman, too; Abr'am's faith and Sarah's story formed a people bound to you. Alleluia, Alleluia, to your covenant keep us true.
4. Covenant, new again in Jesus, Starchild born to set us free; sent to heal us, sent to teach us how love's children we might be. Alleluia, Alleluia, risen Christ, our Savior he!
5. Lift we then our human voices in the songs that faith would bring; live we then in human choices lives that, like our music, sing: Alleluia, Alleluia, joined in love our praises ring!

O Spirit of the Living God

UMH 539

1. O Spirit of the living God, thou light and fire divine, descend upon thy church once more, and make it truly thine. Fill it with love and joy and power, with righteousness and peace; till Christ shall dwell in human hearts, and sin and sorrow cease.
3. Teach us to utter living words of truth which all may hear, the language all may understand when love speaks loud and clear; till every age and race and clime shall blend their creeds in one, and earth shall form one family by whom thy will is done.
4. So shall we know the power of Christ who came this world to save; so shall we rise with him to life which soars beyond the grave; and earth shall win true holiness, which makes thy children whole; till, perfected by thee, we reach creation's glorious goal!

Hymn of Promise

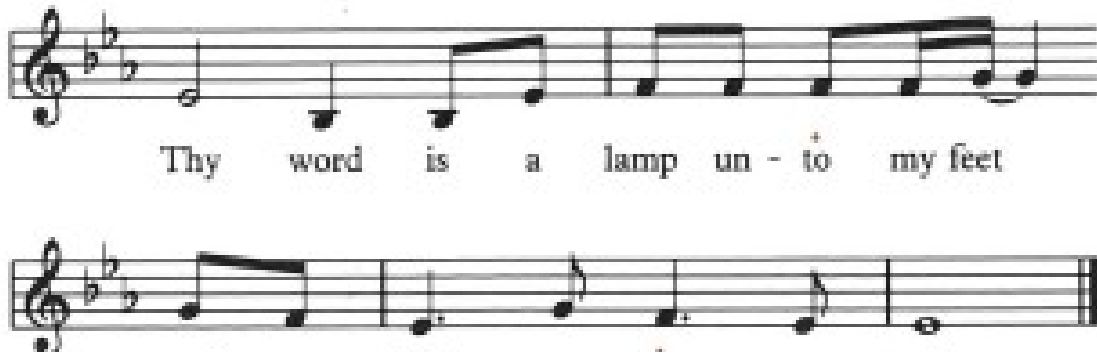
UMH 707

1. In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree; in cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free! In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.
2. There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody; there's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me. From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.
3. In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity; in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity. In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

Responsive Psalter: Psalm 119

RESPONSE 3 (General)

Amy Grant and Michael W. Smith



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Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes; and I will keep it to the end.

Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.

Incline my heart to your testimonies, and not to gain!

Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; and give me life in your ways.

Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you.

Turn away the reproach which I dread; for your ordinances are good.

Behold, I long for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life!

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