



Hope United Methodist Church

Reverend Jeff Rainwater
August 23, 2026

PAY ATTENTION
TO POWER



SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2026
10:00 AM



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WE GATHER

PRELUDE

Four Movements from Partita on the Lord's Prayer

Piet Post

Diane Gallagher, organist

WELCOME & INVITATION TO GOD'S PRESENCE

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Patti Ord

L: We gather as one community, joined together in Christ.

L: God calls us to seek justice, practice mercy, and walk with humility.

P: We come to hear the Word and discern what faithfulness requires.

L: God calls us to see those whom the world overlooks and honor those whose voices are too easily dismissed.

P: Give us compassionate hearts and courage to serve.

L: Let us worship the God whose love reaches every neighbor.

P: We are called to act with justice; we are called to love tenderly; we are called to serve one another.

***OPENING HYMN**

Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word

UMH 596

OPENING PRAYER

WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Blessing of the Backpacks

SPECIAL MUSIC

He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother
sung by The Hollies

Bobby Scott and Bob Russell
Neill Kipp, saxophone

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Patti Ord

MESSAGE

Pay Attention to Power

Rev. Jeff Rainwater

RESPONSIVE HYMN

Jesu, Jesu

UMH 432 vv. 1-3

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

OFFERTORY

Feeling Good
sung by Nina Simone

Anthony Newley and Leslie Bricusse
Neill Kipp, saxophone

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE ARE SENT IN MISSION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN

We Are Called

TFWS 2172

*BENEDICTION

***MUSICAL BENEDICTION** *God Be with You till We Meet Again*

UMH 672

POSTLUDE

Finale from Partita on the Lord's Prayer

Piet Post
Diane Gallagher, organist

Back to School Bash

after worship today

Join us for lunch,
a water slide for kids
and lawn games



Building the Funds

fundraiser to support our
mission partner
Habitat for Humanity

Our goal is to
raise \$2,500
for our annual
commitment



**Red Sea
Jam Session**
today - 5-8 pm
at Anne Rowland's
Come make music
Bring a potluck item
for Burgers and
Hot Dogs

Chancel Bell Choir

is looking for new members
rehearsals are Thursdays from 6:30-7:30 pm
Contact Craig Laumann at
lau48560@gmail.com

Chancel Choir

this is your invitation to join us
rehearsals begin September 3 at 7:30 pm
Contact Larry Meerdink at
larry.meerdink@hope-umc.org

**Today's altar flowers celebrate the memory of Sandy Bowyer
and Sandy & Mandy's 50th Birthday – her first missed birthday.**

This service is live-streamed to the public. Your presence is consent for your image to be broadcast.

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Suzanne Swafford &

Carol Davenport | Greeters

Patti Ord | Liturgist

Ron Sauer | Sound

Jodie Senter | Slides

John Frank | Livestream

Tiffany & Jeff Thibault | Coffee

Pat Lozier | Head Usher

Janet Carter Wayne Carter

Chris Frank John Tripp | Ushers

**We would like to express our
extreme gratitude to those who help
before, during, and after worship.**

We could not do this without you!

Diane Gallagher | Guest Organist