



## First United Methodist Church of Gilbert

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

August 27, 2023

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## *Welcome!*

Services at 8:00 and 9:30 am • See [gilbertumc.org](http://gilbertumc.org) for streaming information

*\*please stand as you are able*

### **Pre-service Music**

*“There’s Something About that Name”  
“Jesus, Name Above All Names”*

### **Ringing of the Bell**

Bailey Wilson/Ethan Rempel

### **Welcome and Greeting**

Cindie Rempel

### **Passing of the Peace**

### **Bringing in the Light of Christ**

Victoria Paap

### **Prelude**

*“He Is Lord”*

### **\*Call to Worship**

Ty Hemingson

Leader: Family of God, as we gather today, Jesus asks us, “Who do you say that I am?”

**People: You are our Messiah, the Son of the living God!**

Leader: Family of God, as we gather today, the Holy Spirit asks us, “Who do you say that I am?”

**People: You are our Comforter, Advocate, and Sustainer!**

Leader: Family of God, as we gather today, God the Father asks us, “Who do you say that I am?”

**People: You are our Creator, Provider, and Healer!**

Leader: Family of God, as we gather today, the Triune God asks us, “Who do you say that I am?”

**(All): You are Love that creates, saves, and enfolds us into the family of God! May we be instruments of Love in all that we are and all that we do. Amen.**

**\*Opening Hymn** (8 & 9:30) *“Christ For The World We Sing”* vs 2,3,4 **#568**

**Thank you for joining our services today!**

If you have any questions or comments please contact us at [connection@gilbertumc.org](mailto:connection@gilbertumc.org)

CLERGY: Pastor Rick Casebolt and Pastor Adriana Hernandez  
 MUSIC DIRECTOR: Randy Van Der Pol ORGANIST: Marilyn Harter  
**TODAY'S LITURGIST & SERVICE: Youth Group**

## ADULT EDUCATION

Adriana's Sunday School (starts Sep. 10th)	Sun.	11am	Room 136
Jan's Bible Study (starts Aug. 31st)	Thu.	6:30pm	Room 201
Rick's Bible Study (starts Aug. 30th)	Wed.	6:30pm	Room 130
Tuesdays Bible Study	Tu.	9:30am	Room 130
Saturday Aug 19 <sup>th</sup>	Sat.	5pm	Room 130

- See Website and eNews for new classes and updates
- Register on yellow card, thru website or office



EVERYONE IS INVITED!

## Wednesday Night Fellowship

Church is providing the main dish of baked chicken. All other items are being potlucked.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30TH  
Dinner from 5:30pm-6:30pm

YOU CAN REGISTER TO BRING AN ITEM AT:  
[HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/10C0948A9AB2EA7FBC61-WEDNESDAY1](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0948a9ab2ea7fbc61-wednesday1)



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## PRAYER & SUPPORT

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Visit [gilbertumc.org/giving](http://gilbertumc.org/giving) for more information

**\*Opening Prayer**

Nate Koenig

Gracious and loving God, bless us with your presence as we worship this day.  
 Bless us with your love as we grow in love and mature faith.  
 Bless us with your guidance as we give ourselves to you, to your church, and to your work in the world. Amen.

**Anthem**

*"Come, Christians, Join To Sing"*

Choir

**Scripture Reading**

Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16: 13-20

Dylan Ramos & Scott Hanson

**Message**

Victoria Paap, Maddy Paap, Gavin Rempel, Nate Koenig & Ron Mason

**Prayer/Lord's Prayer**

Ron Mason

**Response**

(8:00) *"Take My Life and Let It Be"*  
 (9:30) *"We Believe"*

Vs. 1,3 **#399**  
 Youth & Praise Band

**Offering**

Gavin Rempel

**Offertory** (8:00) & (9:30)

*"Amazing Grace"*

Nate Koenig

**\*Doxology**

*"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"*

**#95**

**\*Offering Prayer**

Blakley Sandvan

Loving and generous God: As we offer our gifts this day, we confess that when confronted with Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?" our answer is ambivalent at best. Even when we get the words right, we know our lives give a different answer. We turn away from the suffering and oppression of your children. We accumulate wealth and prestige and ignore the poor and powerless. You give and hold nothing back, and we give from our excess and resent being asked to do more. Help us to respond with the answer that comes from the center of our being and that is demonstrated in our living. In Christ, we pray. Amen

**\*Closing Music**

(8:00) *"The Church's One Foundation"*  
 (9:30) *"This Is Amazing Grace"*

Vs. 1,4,5 **#545**  
 Youth & Praise Band

**\*Blessing**

Shayla Paap

**Postlude**

*"Glorify Thy Name"*