

WELCOME! We're Glad You're Here!

* Indicates Standing

LITURGIST

Bro. Jivonne Feliciano

PRELUDE

JUNETEENTH REFLECTION

Pastor

***CALL TO WORSHIP (UMC Discipleship)**

L: When we feel abandoned and alone, unable to find a way out of the wilderness that surrounds, we cry out to God...

P: And God listens to us.

L: When we feel discouraged and defeated, unsure we will ever really be able to make ends meet and worried that no matter how hard we work, it will never be enough, we cry out to God...

P: And God listens to us.

L: When we feel lost and forgotten, unable to find the words for the grief, isolation, and despair that we feel, our hearts cry out to God...

P: And God pays attention to us.

L: As we gather in this place and time, remember: You are not alone. God knows where you are, and God listens to the cries of our hearts.

P: May we also listen to one another as God guides us toward the cool, refreshing waters we need to continue on our journey as the family of God. Amen!

***OPENING HYMN** "God of Grace and God of Glory" UMH
577

OPENING PRAYER

Bro. Robert Brown

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Holy God, Creator of all that exists, we praise and worship you. Open our hearts and minds to your eternal love and forgiving grace. Be with us as we gather in worship today. Remind us of the depth and breadth of your love revealed in Jesus Christ, who gave his life for us. In all things and at all times, may our lives give you praise. Amen.

WELCOME & GREETINGS

PASSING OF THE PEACE: *Let us greet each other with signs of love and peace: "The Peace of the Lord Jesus be with you."*

***PSALTER** Psalm 86: 1-10, 16-17 Sis. Melina Bennett

FIRST READING Genesis 21: 8-21 Sis. Chinedum
Uche

JOYS, CONCERNS & PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Holy God, Creator of all, Giver of life and grace, hear our prayer. We confess that we have drifted from you and from one another, neglecting the relationships you call us to nurture. Too often, fear keeps us from seeking forgiveness, offering grace, and reaching out in love. You call us to reconciliation, healing, and wholeness. Through the love and power of Christ, forgive us, mend what is broken, renew our hearts, and make us new.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Beloved, God's love is greater than our failures and God's grace is stronger than our fears. When we turn to God with honest hearts, we find forgiveness, mercy, and new life. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

***GOSPEL READING** Matthew 10:24-39 Bro. Maurice
Gabbidon

***SERMONIC HYMN** "O Master, Let Me Walk..." UMH 430

MESSAGE "Called to Love!" Rev. Dr. Chinma Uche

FATHER'S DAY LITANY

TITHES & OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY** 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.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION:** Listening God,
you hear the cries we speak and the cries we cannot
express. In a world marked by fear and injustice, you
remain close to the forgotten and hurting. As we bring
our offerings, open our ears and hearts to those in
need. Use these gifts to bring hope, care, and comfort,
and remind your children they are not alone. Shape us
into people who listen because we have been heard by
you. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTICES

***CLOSING HYMN** "To God Be the Glory" UMH
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***BENEDICTION**



Welcome to
Bloomfield  United Methodist Church
Sharing the Abundant Life in Christ

4th Sunday After Pentecost, Year A
Father's Day

HAPPY
FATHER'S
DAY

June 21, 2026 11:00am

REV. DR. CHINMA UCHE

Saleena Bascomb - Music Director

Rev. Thomas J. Bickerton - Resident Bishop

Rev. Heather A. M. Sinclair - District Superintendent

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Kids' Craft Area

Visit our sign-up board in the hallway!

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People: We give God thanks for each of you.

L: For mentors, teachers, coaches, and spiritual fathers who guide others in faith and encourage them to follow Christ.

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L: For the men who serve quietly, pray faithfully, and support the ministry and mission of this church.

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L: For the gifts, wisdom, leadership, compassion, and witness God has placed among the men of this congregation. May God continue to strengthen and guide you in His service.

People: Amen.

Let us pray: Lord, renew us—especially the men of this

church. Renew their fellowship and draw them closer to you and to one another. Raise up leaders, servants, mentors, and disciples who will encourage one another in faith and strengthen the ministry of this congregation. We pray for each man here today. You know their joys and their struggles, their hopes and their concerns. Meet them at the point of their need. Grant wisdom for life's decisions, strength for daily challenges, comfort in times of difficulty, and peace in every season. Bless their homes, their families, their work, and their walk with you. Give them joy in serving you together, and help them grow in faith, hope, and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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