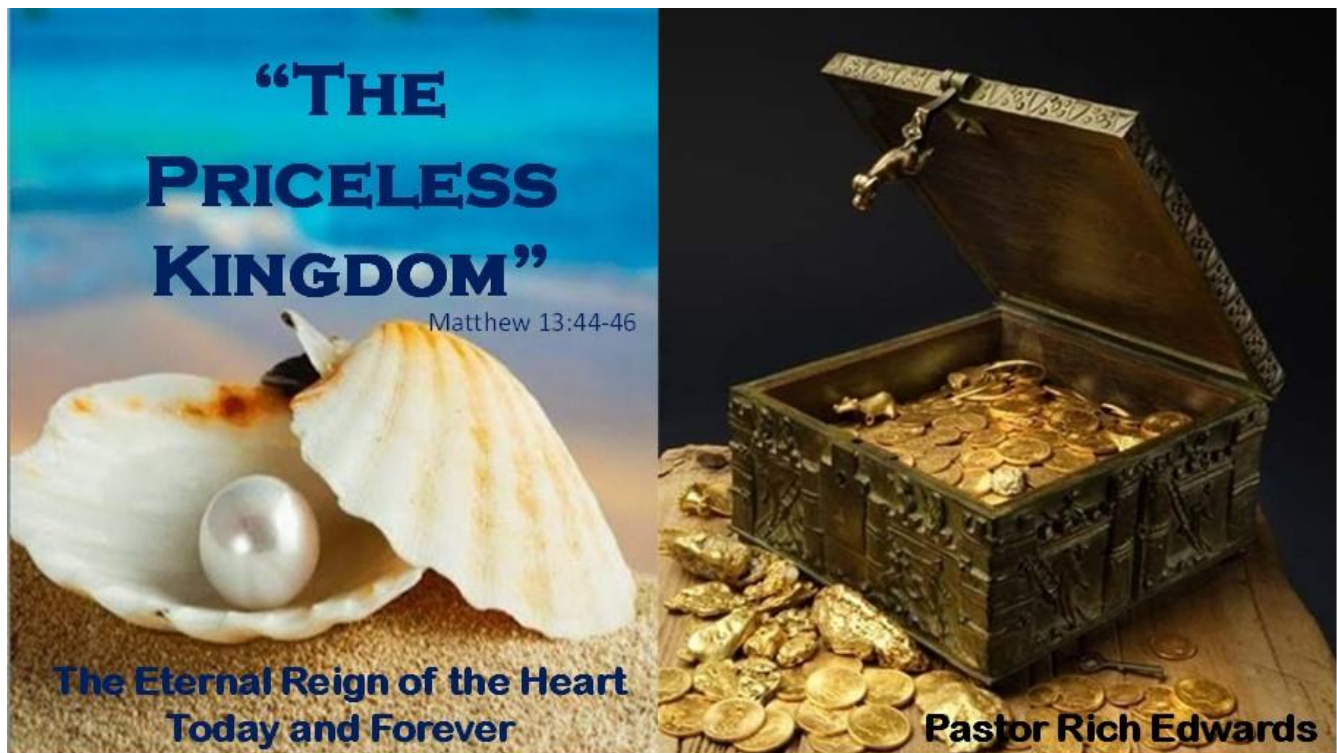


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Our Vision & Mission

“Shining the Light of God’s Love”

Through

Inspiring Worship ~ Personal Growth ~ Intentional Outreach

Senior Pastor, Armando Rodríguez
Associate Pastor, Rich Edwards
Assistant Pastor, Barbara Martinez

“Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost”

8:00 & 11:00 am Traditional Worship

GATHERING

WELCOME, COMMUNITY LIFE & INVOCATION

PRELUDE

“If With All Your Heart/Priere”

Cindy Forbes

(Please be in an attitude of prayer as you prepare yourself for worship.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God calls us to gather, to receive Grace in our gathering, and to remind us again the ways of God and his kingdom.

Congregation: Come, members of the family! Bring all that you are to be molded by grace.

All: Let us worship our savior and Lord! Praise God! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

*OPENING HYMN

“Loves Divine, All Loves Excelling”

UMH 384

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down;
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit;
let us find that second rest.
Take away our bent to sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Words: Charles Wesley, 1747; Music: John Zundel, 1870; CCLI License # 1229420

MORNING PRAYER

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Congregation: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

All pray in silence.

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Congregation: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God. Amen.

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

“How Beautiful”

FUMC Choir

***DOXOLOGY**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Words: Thomas Ken 1674, Music: Geistliche Kirchengesänge 1623; CCLI License #1229420

***PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING**

***PASSING THE PEACE**

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 13:44-46 (NLT)

MESSAGE

“The Priceless Kingdom”
The Eternal Reign of the Heart Today and Forever

Pastor Rich Edwards

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: On the night in which he gave himself up for us....

Congregation: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit....

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church,
All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

GIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

***HYMN OF DEDICATION**

“Take My Life, and Let It Be”

UMH

399

Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord,
I pour at thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Words: Frances R. Havergal, 1873 (Rom 12:1); Music: Louis J. Herold, 1839; arr. by George Kingsley, 1839; CCLI License #1229420

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Go Forth and Let Your Light Shine

**Indicates that we are to stand to praise God.*

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given by Jim & Jean Lynch in honor of their 67th wedding anniversary on
September 12th.

“Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost”

9:30 am Contemporary Worship

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

SONGS OF PRAISE

“Raise a Hallelujah”

“Do It Again”

“Build My Life”

CHILDREN’S CHAT

Holley Lane

PRAYER TIME

OFFERING

“Goodness of God”

BIBLE READING

Matthew 13:44-46 (NLT)

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COMMUNION / ALTAR CALL / CLOSING

“Goodness of God” Reprise

BENEDICTION

Go Forth and Let Your Light Shine

Matthew 13:44-46 (NLT)

⁴⁴“The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure that a man discovered hidden in a field. In his excitement, he hid it again and sold everything he owned to get enough money to buy the field. ⁴⁵“Again, the Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant on the lookout for choice pearls. ⁴⁶When he discovered a pearl of great value, he sold everything he owned and bought it!

Every Member Prayer List – Please pray for the following this week: Kimberly & Samantha Mullins, Barb Nagle, Donna Naro, Richard & Patricia Necklen, Irby & Inez Nelson, Kim Nelson, Willie Nelson.

Youth Group – Grades 6-12, Thursdays & Sundays, 6-7:30 pm in the OC.

Lighthouse Kids –for children in K-5th grade, Thursdays, 6-7:30 pm in the Ark.

Churchwide Fellowship Dinner – Sunday, September 20th at 5:30 pm in the Beacon Life Center. Please bring your favorite dish (appetizer, salad, veggie or entrée). UWF ladies will be bringing desserts. Beverages will be provided! RSVP by Sept. 16th on your Attendance Form or by calling the church office. Food, fun and fellowship for all ages. All are welcome.

Golf Cart Service – We are considering offering golf cart rides from the church back to your car after the Sunday services. Let us know if you have a need for this service OR if you are willing to drive one of the golf carts. You can use the Attendance Form or call the church office. Please include which service you attend.

Pew Crew - We are looking for a few volunteers to help straighten up the hymnals, envelopes and pencils in the back of the pews each week in the Sanctuary. This is the perfect opportunity for a small group that's already meeting at the church each week to serve for about 30 minutes before or after your meeting. Please call the church office if you can help?

Food Pantry – We serve families in need on Tuesdays from 10 am to 12 pm in the Outreach Center. Please bring your donations of non-perishable foods. Special needs: tuna fish, peanut butter, pasta sauce, rice, toilet paper and empty bags (reusable & plastic). We also offer clothing through **Hope's Corner**. Clean, gently used clothing is accepted.

Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting – We meet together to pray on Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 pm, Room 101. Join us as we seek God together.

Attendance Forms - We appreciate your help in keeping our attendance and membership records up to date. Please fill out an attendance form each and every Sunday. It is not necessary to fill out every line of the form, just your name and any information that has changed.

Presence in Worship for 8/30: 352 Sunday School: 46

Financial Update – Last week we received \$13,964.00 toward our weekly need of \$15,827.00. In the month of August, we received \$75,728.01 toward our monthly need of \$79,137. Your financial dedication is appreciated.



Online/Mobile Giving – You can make your donation at pslfumc.com by clicking on the easyTithe link, use the easyTithe app or scan the QR code.

Meetings This Week

BLC – Beacon Life Center

OC – Outreach Center

Sunday

9/6 8:00a Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
9/6 9:30a Contemporary Worship/100, BLC
9/6 9:30a Searchers Adult Sunday School/101, BLC
9/6 9:30a Children's Sunday School/meet at Oasis
9/6 9:30a Mid High Sunday School/2, OC
9/6 9:30a High School Sunday School/103, BLC
9/6 10:00a Haitian Church/1, OC
9/6 10:00a Hispanic Disciple Class/102, BLC
9/6 11:00a Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
9/6 11:00a Pathfinders Sunday School/105, BLC
9/6 11:30a Hispanic Worship/100, BLC
9/6 6:00p Youth/4, OC

Monday

9/7 **CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY**

Tuesday

9/8 9:30a Hispanic Prayer Group/105, BLC
9/8 10:00p Food Pantry/2, OC
9/8 10:30a Alanon/101, BLC
9/8 6:15p NA/1, OC
9/8 6:30p Disciple IV/101, BLC
9/8 6:30p Disciple II/103, BLC
9/8 7:00p Trustees/105, BLC

Wednesday

9/9 6:45a Men's Prayer Group/Conference Room, BLC
9/9 10:00a Bell Ensemble/Sanctuary
9/9 6:30p AA/1, OC
9/9 6:30p Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting/101, BLC
9/9 7:00p Praise Team/100, BLC
9/9 7:00p Haitian Bible Study/2, OC

Thursday

9/10 9:00a Lighthouse Quilters/101, BLC
9/10 9:30a Women's Prayer Group/Conference Room/BLC
9/10 10:00a Disciple III/105, BLC
9/10 1:00p Priscilla/Mary Circle/103, BLC
9/10 5:00p Safe Space/1, OC
9/10 6:00p Lighthouse Kids/Ark
9/10 6:00p Youth/4, OC
9/10 6:30p Disciple I/101, BLC
9/10 6:30p Alpha Course/105, BLC
9/10 7:00p Choir Practice/Sanctuary
9/10 7:00p Nar-Anon/2, OC
9/10 7:00p Hispanic Prayer Service/100, BLC

Friday

9/11 6:00p Hispanic Youth/4, OC

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30a–4:30p