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Sixth Sunday after Pentecost – July 9, 2023

THE GATHERING

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Prelude		Debbie Watson
Welcome & Call to Worship		Claire Baer
Opening Hymn	<p><i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! – vs. 1, 2 & 5</i></p> <p><i>All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.</i></p> <p><i>Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, hail him who save you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all; hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.</i></p> <p><i>O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all; we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.</i></p>	No. 91
Opening Prayer		Dr. Mark Bender

THE PROCLAMATION

Scripture Reading	The Beatitudes	No. 185
	<p><i>Blessed are the poor in spirit, truly heaven is their reward.</i></p> <p>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.</p>	

Blessed are the poor in spirit, truly heaven is their reward.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you
and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.**

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven,
for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Blessed are the poor in spirit, truly heaven is their reward.

Children's Message

Claire Baer

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Brooke Reid

**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 sins as we
forgive those who sin 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.**

Special Music

Put Jesus First – Boyer/Archambo

Teresa Archambo, solo

Sermon

The Beatitudes: The Poor in Spirit

Dr. Mark Bender

THE RESPONSE

Communion Hymn

I Come With Joy – vs. 1, 2 & 3

No. 420

***I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved and free,
the life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me,
in love laid down for me.***

***I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread,
in Christ's communion bread.***

***As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends,
and strangers now are friends.***

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table and Words of Institution

John Cook

Prayers for the Bread & Cup

Craig Reynolds & Emily Wilson

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

All believers are invited to share in the Lord's Supper.

Common Confession

I believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God.

THE OFFERING

Moment for Mission and Commissioning of Youth Mission Trip
and VBS Volunteers

Dr. Mark Bender

Offertory

Debbie Watson

Doxology

No. 46

***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.***

Offertory Prayer

THE SENDING

Sent from the Table & Invitation to Discipleship

Brooke Reid

Closing Hymn

I Need Thee Every Hour – vs. 1, 2 & 4

No. 578

***I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
no tender voice like thine can peace afford.***

***I need thee, oh, I need thee; every hour I need thee;
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.***

***I need thee every hour; stay thou near by;
temptations lose their power when thou art nigh.***

***I need thee, oh, I need thee; every hour I need thee;
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.***

***I need thee every hour, teach me thy will,
and thy rich promises in me fulfill.***

***I need thee, oh, I need thee; every hour I need thee;
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.***

Benediction

Dr. Mark Bender

Postlude

Debbie Watson

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Memorials and Honors

Sermon Notes

1. The ways we learn

2. All that follows

3. The door through which we pass

4. Confronting our self-sufficiency

5. Congratulations!

Announcements

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CALENDAR

Sunday, July 9		
8:40 am	Worship Service	Chapel
9:30 am	Sunday School	
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary/ Livestream
5:00 pm	Youth Fellowship (Grades 6-12)	Room 403/Gym
5:45 pm	Young Disciples (Grades K-5)	Rooms 402/405
Monday, July 10		
7:30 am-6:00 pm	Children Come First "CCF" (M-F)	
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Vacation Bible School (4yrs-5th Grade)	
9:00 am	CCF Chapel	Chapel
3:00 pm	College Bible Study	Room 305
7:30 pm	Boy Scouts Troop 15	Room 405
Tuesday, July 11		
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Vacation Bible School (4yrs-5th Grade)	
3:30 pm	CCF-Kona Ice	Parking Lot
6:00 pm	Property Ministry Meeting	Room 310
6:30 pm	Common Ground Recovery Ministries Support Groups Anger Management, Parenting, Rebuilding Your Life	Rooms 304-308
Wednesday, July 12		
7:00 am	Elders' Breakfast	Room 405
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Vacation Bible School (4yrs-5th Grade)	
9:00 am	CCF Spanish	Room 300
1:00 pm	Stretch Class	Parlor
5:30 pm	The Neighborhood Brown Bag Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	The Neighborhood Worship Service	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	First Kidz (PreK-Grade 5)	Room 402
NO	Youth Bible Study (Grades 6-12)	Room 305
NO	Youth Fellowship (Grades 6-12)	Room 403/Gym
Thursday, July 13		
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Vacation Bible School (4yrs-5th Grade)	
5:30-7:30 pm	VBS Family Night	Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall
Friday, July 14		
7:00 am	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study	Hwy Café 2808 Jacksboro Hwy
9:00 am	CCF Music	Room 300
12:15 pm	CCF Parent Advisory Committee Meeting	Room 310
Saturday, July 15		
10:00 am	Leave for Family Rangers Game	Arlington TX

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study!

Friday, July 14th
7:00 am, Hwy Café, 2808
Jacksboro Hwy.

Interfaith Outreach Services Pantry Sunday

The July items are macaroni & cheese and cans of soup. You may drop off any of the monthly requested items at any time in the large box on the porch by the Chapel entrance.

MSU International Student Basket Giveaway

Once again we have the opportunity of welcoming new international students to Wichita Falls and MSU by putting together baskets of items to them get started! We will be preparing baskets for students who will be living in **apartments**. Baskets are available for pick-up starting today. Please do not return filled baskets until after July 14th. The deadline to return the baskets is August 20th.