

## Scripture Readings:

### **Matthew 18:1-5**

<sup>1</sup>At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, “Who, then, is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” <sup>2</sup>He called a little child to him, and placed the child among them. <sup>3</sup>And he said: “Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup>Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>5</sup>And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.

### **2 Chronicles 7:14-15**

<sup>14</sup>if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. <sup>15</sup>Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place.

### **Micah 6:8**

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

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**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PINE ISLAND**  
**Love, Hope, a place to Belong**

***Pastor Bill Hoffman***

***June 30, 2019 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost***

**UMH (United Methodist Hymnal) FWS (Faith We Sing)**

**(\*\*Indicates for Congregation to stand if able)**

**(Please sign the pew pad)**

**Welcome**

**Time of Reflection**

**Pianist: Joel Blair**

**\*\*Call to Worship**

**Liturgist: Chris Dietz**

L: God calls us to be people of the Spirit.

**P: We are people of the whirlwind—  
riding fiery horses and chariots of fire.**

L: God calls us to be heirs with Christ.

**P: We are heirs of freedom—  
heirs of a love that will not let us go.**

L: God calls us be children of the Most High.

**P: We are children of promise—  
people of God's glorious hope.**

L: Come! Let us worship.

**\*\*Opening Songs**

**Shout to the North  
You Are My All in All**

**Children's Sermon**

**Pastor Bill**

**Joys and Concerns / Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord's Prayer**

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

**\*\*Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**Scripture:** Matthew 18:1-5, 2 Chronicles 7:14-15, Micah 6:8

**Hymn (UMH) #87** What Gift Can We Bring

**Message** *Simple, Direct, and Honest...* **Pastor Bill**

**Giving of Our Tithes and Offering**

**\*\*Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below, praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*\*Offertory Prayer**

You give us freedom to turn back, O Lord, when the road seems too difficult to travel. But when we have the strength to carry on and ask for a double portion of your Spirit, as Elisha before us, we find blessing upon blessing. May our offering reflect our gratitude for your many gifts—especially for the fruit of your Spirit. May these gifts lift up others in their need, that they may have what they need to live and to find the freedom to choose life in its fullness. Amen.

**\*\*Hymn (UMH) #451** Be Thou My Vision

**\*\*Breakthrough Prayer**

Gracious God of Light, lead your Pine Island United Methodist Church to break through our barriers and distractions in new and miraculous ways. Help us discern:

- How you are calling this church to dream
- What you are calling this church to be
- Who you are calling this church to reach

We know you are able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine. Give us courage and use us boldly in your God-sized plans. Amen.

**\*\*Benediction / Greeting / Postlude**