

**BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FATHER'S DAY SUNDAY
JUNE 16, 2013**

WELCOME AND GREETING

ORGAN PRELUDE/CANDLE LIGHTING

***SONG OF PRAISE – #2056 “God Is So Good”**

*** CALL TO WORSHIP(based on Psalm 103)**

L: Come, bless the Lord with me!

For the Lord is like a father to his children
compassionate and merciful,
filled with endless love.

P: He forgives our sins,
and heals the sickness inside us;
he surrounds us with love and mercy
and fills our lives with good things!

All: Let's worship God together!

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER: Abba, Father,
we pray with those who are mourning the loss of fathers today,
and for those whose fathers were absent or abusive.

Ease their pain on this day, loving God.

May they know Your embrace,

and that You are more than Father or Mother to us–

You are the all-loving, all-caring Parent,

Creator of heaven and earth,

who knows the hairs on our heads.

We thank You, O God,

that You are always with us,

that You will never leave us or forsake us.

We thank You for this day,

and ask that You bless all of Your children with Your love,
as a wonderful father loves their child.

Amen.

***SHARING OF THE PEACE** - Let us offer one another signs of
reconciliation and love.

HYMN OF PRAISE: #61 “Come Thou, Almighty King”

LITANY OF RECOGNITION AND HONOR

FOR FATHER'S DAY– (As all men who are able please stand)

L. On this day we recognize our fathers and stepfathers,
those who have nurtured and guided us in our lives.

**P. We thank You, O God,
for those who have been fathers to us.**

L. We honor our grandfathers, our uncles and brothers,
those who have demonstrated love and care to us in our lives.

**P. We thank You, O God,
for those who have been like fathers to us.**

L. We appreciate our teachers, leaders and pastors,
who have been both male and female,
but we especially honor those who have extended
fatherly tenderness and love in our lives in our past and present.

**P. We thank You, O God,
for those who have fulfilled a fatherly role in our lives.**

L. Loving God, You have been both Mother and Father to us.
we remember how Jesus called out to You on earth,
You are closer to us than our earthly parents.

Your love and care for us are felt
in the ways we are loved and cared for by others.

**P. We thank You for all the male figures in our lives
who have shared Your love with us.**

L. Grant Your wisdom to all fathers and fatherly figures
to love their children as You have loved Your children.

**P. We thank You, O God,
for fatherhood and motherhood,
for the blessing of parents in our lives. Amen**

CHORAL ANTHEM: “Honor Thy Father and Thy Mother”

**CHILDREN'S TIME –“Father Abraham” Honoring the Men in our
Church, Fathers, Father Figures and Sons**

PRAYER HYMN - #382 "Have Thine Own Way Lord" Vs.3"
PASTORAL PRAYER/SING THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 8:14-17 (p.158 NT)
SERMON: "This Is OUR Father"

– Rev. Judy D. White, Pastor

OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY: Hymnal, #95

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION: Creator God, we know that you have made everything in this world. You have been so generous to us every day. We pray that this church will show our generosity in giving back to you what is already yours. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: #2038 "Father, I Adore You"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Those able please stand

SERVING CHRIST THIS WEEK:

Organist: Cindy Heggie

Choir Director: Aimee Perry

Liturgist: Aimee Perry

Greeters: Amos Hammond and John Andersen

Ushers: Dick Smith and Ernie Pinneo

Scripture Reader: Ron Salyer

Fellowship: Laurie and John Prinzivalli

Sunday School: Leah Dibble

Nursery: Terry Fingar and Sonya Andersen

Counters: Ron Salyer and Marilyn James

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Liturgist: Aimee Perry

Greeters: Art and Ruth Miller

Ushers: Sally Thomas and Meredith Nielsen

Scripture Reader: Phil Burdick

Fellowship: Sharon Larsen and Linda Folts

Sunday School: Meredith Nielsen

Nursery: Laurie Prinzivalli and Blanche Fingar

Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland

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