



First United Methodist Church of Hanford

*Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.*



Sixth Sunday after Easter

Order of Worship

Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 | 11am

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Prelude

Welcome & Announcements:

Centering Time - Prepare Your Heart for Worship

Opening Hymn

In Christ alone

\*Call to Worship (Responsively)

Leader: Let all who seek to grow in their faith enter this place for worship!

**People: We would have the Lord mold us and shape us into God's people today.**

Leader: God is the Potter and we are the clay in the Great Creator's hands.

**People: We yield our lives unto the Lord to mold us as is pleasing before God.**

Leader: Praise be to the Lord, for God is faithful to prepare us for eternity.

**All: Blessed be the name of the Lord!**

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

Hymn

Abide with me **UMH # 700** (v. 1,3,5)

Old Testament Reading:

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Gospel Reading:

Luke 14:25-33

A Time for Children of All Ages

Message:

"We are shaped by the potter's hand"

Hymn of Response

Change my heart, O God **TFWS #2152**

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## **INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS & SERVICE**

**\*Doxology**

### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)**

**Victorious Lord, we offer these gifts to be used in celebration of your steadfast love. We give joyfully so others may join our unending common voice of praise. Let all people sing a new song of thanksgiving that is not merely noise but is a faithful celebration of your love and grace. Thanks be to God! Amen!**

## **THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION**

**Hymn during the partaking of the Bread and the sharing of the Cup**

**(Let us break bread together on our knees UMH # 618)**

**Sending Hymn**

The trees of the field TFWS # 2279

**\*Benediction**