COMMUNITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF CHULA VISTA UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



9:30 A.M. February 5, 2023

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!

Welcome! Mabuhay! Bienvenidos!

We welcome you in the name of the still speaking God!

We invite all *guests* to please **PRINT** their name and contact info on the "*Information Card*" in the pew rack and place the card in the offering plate. Anyone with a prayer request, please put it on the "*Information Card*" and place it in the offering plate.

If you need assistance, please ask our Greeters.

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Community Congregational Church of Chula Vista United Church of Christ February 5, 2023

Prelude: Lionel Jasmin & Chaz Keith

Gathering Music: Sunday Sermons

Lord reign in me

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

It's a great day Way Maker

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Victoria Freiheit

**Hymn: O For a Thousand tongues to Sing Red. p. 349 all verses

Liturgist: David Hand

Call to Worship: David Hand

One: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise God to the heights,

all God's heavenly host.

All: Let the stars praise the name of the Lord; for God

commanded, and they were created. God's angels saw it

and adored.

One: Praise the Lord from the earth, all God's creatures below.

All: Let the mountains and hills extol God. God's name alone

is excellent; God's glory is far above the earth.

One: Praise the Lord, you God's people.

All: We will praise the Lord from the earth and in heaven; we

will bless God's holy name forever.

Hymn: Jesus the Light of the world NCH p. 160, all verses

Prayer of Invocation: Unison

David Hand

O God help us to practice Grateful Living. We know it makes us more resilient and available to life. When we move through life with a grateful heart, it uplifts us, makes a difference for others and helps change the world. Amen. Choir: Given for You by Roger Summers

Children's Story: Rev. Victoria

Sermon and Scripture: Candlemas Luke 2:22-40 Rev. Victoria

Prayers of the People, Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

**Communion Hymn: Breaking of the Bread by Jim Manley

Fleeing from the city with the small of death so strong;
A stranger on the road invites himself to walk along.
And coming to the house, we tell him "stay and rest your head."
And Christ is known to us in the breaking of the bread.

CHORUS

Breaking of the bread, breaking of the bread Christ is known to us in the breaking of the bread.

Meeting in the city with the load of life so strong, We gather round the table, too worn out to sing a song. But someone says a simple prayer, we pause to bow our head And Christ is known to us in the breaking of the bread.

CHORUS

Breaking of the bread, breaking of the bread Christ is known to us in the breaking of the bread.

COMMUNION

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, our loving creator, close to us as breathing and distant as the farthest star, we thank you for your constant love for all you have made.

We thank you for all that sustains life, for all people of faith in every generation who have given themselves to your will, and especially for Jesus Christ, whom you have sent from your own being as our Savior. We praise you for Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection, and for the calling forth of your church for its mission in the world. Gifted by the presence of your Holy Spirit, we offer ourselves to you as we unite our voices with the entire family of your faithful people everywhere:

Holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God Most High. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God! Hosanna in the highest!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Merciful God, as sisters and brothers in faith, we recall anew these words and acts of Jesus Christ. Now, as they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to the disciples, saying: "This is my body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, Jesus also took the cup, after supper saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you do it, in remembrance of me."

Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

Come Holy Spirit, come. Bless this bread, and this fruit of the vine. Bless all of us in our eating and drinking at this table that our eyes may be opened, and we may recognize the risen Christ in our midst, in each other, and in all for whom Christ died. The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for all things are ready.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We give thanks Almighty God that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Call to Offering: Unison

God gives to us generously and blesses us abundantly. Let us give to God joyfully. Amen.

Offertory: Lionel Jasmin & Chaz Keith

****Doxology:** Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;

Creator, Christ, and Spirit One.

** Prayer of Dedication: Unison

David Hand

Thank you, God, for the gift of your Son Jesus Christ; for the love that he gives to us. Please use these offerings for your good purpose in this corner of the world and beyond. May we know that when we give, we receive even more in return. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

**Closing Hymn: Breaking of the Bread by Jim Manley
Leaving from the graveside, we have gathered at the hall.
Friends drop by and bring in food and caring as they come.
We sit around and talk about the living and the dead.
And Christ is known to us in the breaking of the bread.

CHORUS

Breaking of the bread, breaking of the bread Christ is known to us in the breaking of the bread.

Lying in the hos-pi-tal, as night fits in-to day,
Friends come by to see us and they help us with the tray.
It's only toast and broth, but over them the words are said. And
Christ is known to us in the breaking of the bread.

CHORUS

Breaking of the bread, breaking of the bread Christ is known to us in the breaking of the bread. (Sing Twice) **Benediction: Rev. Victoria

Form a circle Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on Earth, and let it begin with me.

Let there be peace on Earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God as our Maker, All one Family.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow.

To take each moment and live each moment.

With peace eternally,

Let there be peace on Earth, and let it begin with me.

Postlude: Lionel Jasmin & Chaz Keith

Announcements

WE WELCOME YOU to the Community Congregational Church, United Church of Christ. To our visitors we extend a special greeting. We are delighted that you have joined us today. Please sign the information card and let us know if you need prayers.

SCHEDULE FOR Today February 5th

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Fellowship and coffee

TUESDAY February 7th

10:00 AM Quilters – Marilynn Milligan's home

11:30 AM Quilters Lunch **WEDNESDAY February 8**th

6:00 PM Quilt Guild- Bradley Hall

THURSDAY February 9th

7:00 PM Choir Practice – Music Room

FRIDAY February 10th

10:00AM Bible Study -Lounge

SATURDAY February 11th

9:30AM Healing Touch in the Lounge, please call Yvonne Cena at

(619) 405-2059 to RSVP

SUNDAY February 12th

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Fellowship and coffee

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