

**COMMUNITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
OF CHULA VISTA
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**



WORSHIP SERVICE

9:30 A.M.

October 15, 2023

Laity Sunday

*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
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October 15, 2023, Laity Sunday**

Prelude: **Thank you, Lord** Lionel Jasmin & Alejandro Tapia

Gathering Music:

- 1. Jesus loves me (from Sunday sermons)**
- 2. This little light of mine**
- 3. It's a Great Day**

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Victoria Freiheit

Liturgist: Violeta Estepa

***Hymn:** **Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart #55 NCH** all verses

Call to Worship: (Responsively) Violeta Estepa

One: A new day to treasure.

Many: **Another chance to be healed.**

One: Though we have known problems,

Many: **God will see us through.**

One: Though we have been down,

Many: **God will lift us up.**

One: Though we have been surrounded by doubts,

Many: **God will restore our faith.**

One: This is a new day to love one another.

All: **To be made whole, and to sing praise to God!**

*** Hymn:** **I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go #502 Red** all verses

Prayer of Invocation: (in Unison) Violeta Estepa

O God, we know that we are all called for “full time Christian Service.” This is no matter what we do: lawyer, factory worker, homemaker, student, teacher, or retired person. Show us how to move toward wholeness and to integrate the awareness that You are God, and You have chosen each one of us for ministry in the Body of Christ, the Church. Amen.

Choir: **FEEL GOOD** Soloists: Neil and Nathan Jr Purification **CCLI #333721**
words and music by Tyson and Scott

Children's Story: Pat Doege

Scripture: **Matthew Chapter 28:16-20 The Great Commission** Violeta Estepa

*** Please stand if you are able**

4 Laity Speakers: Cet Quiros, Violeta Estepa, Wayne Holiman, Judy May

Prayers of the People, Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer (debts)

Call to Offering: Unison

Violeta Estepa

Giver of all good gifts, increase in us the gift of gratitude. Teach us to give thanks for the gift of life, the gift of friends and family members, and the gifts you invite us to share with others. Grant that the gifts we now give may be blessed by your Spirit to do your will. Amen.

Offertory:

I BELIEVE by Rev. Victoria Freiheit

I believe for every drop of rain that falls a flower grows.
I believe that somewhere in the darkest night a candle glows.
I believe for everyone who goes astray
Someone will come to show the way. I believe, I believe.

I believe above the storm the smallest prayer
Will still be heard.
I believe that someone in the great somewhere
Hears every word.

Every time I hear a newborn baby cry,
Or touch a leaf or see the sky,
Then I know why I believe.

***Doxology:**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication: (Unison)**

Violeta Estepa

Accept these gifts now placed on your altar, O God, as symbols of our commitment to service. We dedicate our lives and all that we have that your will may be done. Receive our gifts and lead us in wisdom and courage in our ministries, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

***Closing Hymn:**

O Jesus, I Have Promised #493 NCH all verses

***Benediction:**

Jerry May

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 & Alejandro Tapia

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.

MONDAY	October 16th Boy scouts meeting downstairs.
TUESDAY	October 17th 9:30 AM Quilters meet in small dining room 4:00 PM AYOP – meeting In Bradley Hall 6:30 PM ESL Laubach meeting in small dining room with Erika Dennis 7:00 PM AA – meeting in Lounge
THURSDAY	October 19th 7:00 PM Choir Practice
FRIDAY	October 20th 10:00 AM Bible study in the lounge
SATURDAY	October 21st 10:00 AM Art Group meeting in small dining room
SUNDAY	October 22nd – Baptism of Grayson Turchen 9:30 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM Fellowship and coffee