

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



**WORSHIP SERVICE
9:30 A.M.
March 3, 2024**

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

276 F St. Chula Vista, Ca 91910

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.

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Community Congregational Church of Chula Vista
United Church of Christ
March 3, 2024
Source of Strength Sunday

Prelude: Lionel Jasmin & Alejandro Tapia

Gathering Music: **1. Lord I Lift Your Name on High**
 2. (Medley) There Is Power in The Blood, He Lives!

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Victoria Freiheit

***Hymn:** **Open My Eyes That I May See** Red p. 486 all verses

Liturgist: Violeta Estepa

Call to Worship: (Responsively) Violeta Estepa

One: O God, in whom we live and move and have our being;
Many: **We want you in our lives, yet we ignore your presence.**
One: We desire righteousness, yet we cannot do justice.
Many: **We look for the holy, yet we are content with the ordinary,**
One: Deal patiently with our confusion and grant us your forgiveness.
Many: **Set us free from ourselves, that we may find you and your way.**
All: **In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

***Hymn:** **Take Time to Be Holy** Red p. 457 all verses

Prayer of Invocation- (Unison) Violeta Estepa
We rejoice in your calling us to this table in the household of faith, east and west,
north, and south. We dream of one great fellowship of love, throughout this whole
wide earth, and we pray that someday, this body will all be one. Amen.

Choir Anthem: **COMMUNION PRAYER**
 by Patricia Mock and Richard A. Nichols
 accompanied by flutist Christine Ogden, our artist in residence.

Children's Story: Donna Purificacion

*** Please stand if you are able.**

Scripture:

Malachi 3:10, 2 Corinthians 9: 7-8

Violeta Estepa

Sermon:

Trust And Obey

Donna Purificacion

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

COMMUNION

Rev. Victoria Freiheit

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, 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

Violeta Estepa

Lord, there's not much we can give You that really represents a right attitude and a true stewardship. So Lord, nip our pride. Awaken us to the desperate needs of our world, and then, Lord, teach us how to give and how to live. Amen.

Offertory: Lionel Jasmin, Suzanne Persaud Jasmin and Alejandro Tapia
GOODNESS OF GOD by Bethel Music and Jenn Johnson CCLI
dedicated to GOD and Luz Barrera

***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

Violeta Estepa

Our Heavenly Father, from whom comes every good gift, we are Yours, and all we have is Yours. Accept our Offerings and bless them to the fulfillment of your will. We bring these gifts in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Closing Hymn:** Just as I Am NCH p.207 all verses

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

In 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.

SCHEDULE FOR TODAY March 3rd

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

TUESDAY March 5th

10:00 AM Quilters – small dining room

11:30 AM Quilters Lunch

THURSDAY March 7th

7:00 PM Choir Practice – Music Room

FRIDAY March 8th

10:00AM Lenten Bible Study -Lounge

SUNDAY March 10th

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

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