

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



**WORSHIP SERVICE
9:30 A.M.
March 31, 2024
Easter**

*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
Easter March 31, 2024**

Prelude: Lionel Jasmin & Alejandro Tapia

Processional: Lift High the Cross NCH p.198 v.1 & 5

Gathering Music: **1. Love I lift your name on high.
 2. He arose, He arose from the dead
 3. Because He Lives**

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Victoria Freiheit

***Hymn:** **Christ the Lord is Risen Today Red p.289 all verses**

Liturgist: Sandra Nunnally

Call to Worship: (Responsively) Sandra Nunnally

One: Children of God, shout the Good News!

All: Jesus Christ is alive, Alleluia!

One: On the cross He suffered death and was buried.

All: But on the third day He rose again.

One: God did not abandon Him;

All: But made known in Him God's life-giving power.

One: To His resurrection we all are witnesses;

All: With our lips and our lives we will declare:

Jesus Christ is alive! Alleluia! Amen.

Hymn: **Christ Arose Red p. 298 all verses**

Prayer of the People (Unison) Sandra Nunnally

We tremble, O God, before your awesome power to bring good from evil, new life from death. We have done things our own way, putting ourselves first and trying to be God. We sometimes reject the way of Jesus. O God, we want to live more faithful lives, we need your peace inside us. Help us O God, deliver us from all evil. Amen.

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

Assurance of Pardon: (Responsively)

Sandra Nunnally

One: Jesus has passed through the door of death.

All: And opened the way to the blessing of life.

One: His presence can penetrate the barrier of our fears and give us peace.

All: To proclaim forgiveness and the strength that community supplies.

One: Friends, Christ is risen and He is here.

All: Alleluia, He is here!

Choir anthem:

Praise the God of Resurrection

by Mark Hayes and Beethoven

Children's Story:

Rev. Victoria

Scripture:

John 20:1-9 & Acts 10:34-43

Sandra Nunnally

Sermon:

“We are Witnesses”

Rev. Victoria

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Call to Offering: Unison

Sandra Nunnally

God of the empty tomb, You are present with us in the midst of hopelessness and despair. And you greet us in times of fulfillment and joy. Be with us today as we bring our gifts to you, affirming your love and learning to walk as your people. Amen.

Offertory:

Prelude in C major by J.S. Bach

Brandon Vasquez 12-year-old guest organist

***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

Sandra Nunnally

Glorious God, we rejoice in Jesus' victory over death. You raised Him up to live forever. Help us to follow Him, leaving behind the things of our past that obscure our horizons. We dedicate these offerings, joyfully giving of our earthly goods, with gratitude for your love. Amen.

***Closing Hymn:**

He lives Red p.299 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 31st Easter

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

TUESDAY April 2nd

10:00 AM Quilters – small dining room

11:30 AM Quilters Lunch

THURSDAY April 4th

7:00 PM Choir Practice – Music Room

FRIDAY April 5th

10:00AM Bible Study -Lounge

SUNDAY April 7th Easter Cantata

9:30 AM Cantata

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship