

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



**WORSHIP SERVICE
9:30 A.M.
April 21, 2024
Earth Day**

*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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O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! *Psalm 8:9*

Prelude: Lionel Jasmin & Alejandro Tapia

Gathering Music: **1. Majesty**
 2. God is great, God is good
 3. It's a great day to praise the Lord

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Victoria Freiheit

***Hymn:** **For the Beauty of the Earth Red p.1 all verses**

Liturgist: Erika Dennis

Call to Worship: (Responsively) Erika Dennis

One: O God, our Creator, we stand in awe of the bounty we so freely enjoy here on planet Earth.

All: Each morning you greet us with a song of love—a beautiful sunrise and a symphony of bird songs.

One: You made sure we have everything we would ever need to live abundantly on this planet. Your only request was that we be responsible caretakers of it all.

All: **We have failed in honoring Your request and we humbly ask Your forgiveness. Please give us the courage, strength and desire to preserve, conserve and restore the delicate balance to this, our home, Your beautiful Earth. Amen.**

Hymn: **This is My Father's World Red p. 6 all verses**

Prayer of Invocation: (Unison) Erika Dennis

Now thank we all our God with hearts, and hands, and voices. Who wondrous things has done, in whom the world rejoices. Who from our mother's arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today. Amen.

Choir anthem: **You Are Mine**
 Music By Davis Haas
 Arranged By Mark Hayes

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

Children's Story: Rev. Victoria

Scripture: Genesis 1:1-5, 8, 12-13, 16-19, 22-23, 25, 26-31 Erika Dennis

Environmental Earth Day Presentation Lani Pangilinan

Prayers of the People, Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Rev. Victoria

Call to Offering: Unison Erika Dennis
God has shown us the meaning of generosity in the beautiful diversity of creation, in the overflowing love of Jesus Christ and in the never-ending gift of the Holy Spirit. Let us rejoice now in what we have been given and in what is ours to give as we now receive our morning offering.

Offertory: Give It Will Come Back to You

***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 Erika Dennis
Our God, we know that you love all of your creation, the earth, the animals, and all human beings, of whatever race or gender or sexual orientation. We know that the message of your love can heal our broken world. Help us to build the type of world that demonstrates the power of love over hate. Amen.

***Closing Hymn:** How Great Thou Art Red p. 2 v. 1, 3 & 4

Benediction: (Unison) Rev. Victoria
Let us greet the world as children of God, rejoicing in its wonders, sharing its goodness with our sisters and brothers. And may the vision and reality of God's peace make this world a happy home for all the human family. Amen.

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 April 21st Earth Day

9:30 AM Worship Service
10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship
11:15 AM Council Meeting

TUESDAY April 23rd

10:00 AM Quilters – small dining room
5:00 PM American Youth - Bradley Hall
7:00 PM AA Top of the Hill – Lounge

THURSDAY April 25th

7:00 PM Choir Practice – Music Room

FRIDAY April 26th

10:00AM Bible Study -Lounge

SUNDAY April 28th Pacific Islander and Asian presentation

9:30 AM Worship Service
10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

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