

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



**WORSHIP SERVICE  
9:30 A.M.  
June 23, 2024  
Juneteenth Celebration**

*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.  
***If you need assistance***, please ask our Greeters.

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Greeters: Norma & Tracy Brainard

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**Thought Before Worship:** Our physical strength is measured by what we can carry;  
our spiritual strength by what we can bear. Anon.

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**Prelude:** Lionel Jasmin & Alejandro Tapia

**Lighting Of the Candles:** Brandon & Jordan Vasquez

**Gathering Music:**

1. Shout to the Lord
2. We are marching in the light of God
3. It's a great day

**Welcome and Announcements:** Rev. Victoria Freiheit

**\*Hymn:** A Mighty Fortress is our God Red p.118 all verses

**Liturgist:** Erika Dennis

**Call to Worship: (Responsively)** Erika Dennis

**One:** The Lord our God is great.

**All:** The Lord is worthy of our praise.

**One:** Come; let us remember the great things God has done for us.

**All:** Let us not neglect to teach our children the greatness of God.

**One:** Let us not forget our past and those who have gone before us.

**All:** Let us greet God as we remember our ancestors, our history, our Africa,  
and we name our future.

**Hymn:** In Egypt under Pharaoh NCH p. 574 all verses

**Prayer of Invocation: (Unison)** Erika Dennis

**Almighty God, we come to worship you today with open hearts and open minds. We want to hear and receive what you have to say to us in this service. Speak to us today as you spoke to those who went before us. Tell us the stories of your wonders and greatness. We are ready to hear them. Remind us once again of your grace and love. Help us teach your goodness to our children and the next generation. Amen.**

**Choir anthem:** The Power and the Glory  
Led by Nate Jr. and Niel Purificacion

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

**Children's Story:**

Rev. Victoria

(Children come forward and stand at the altar; parents and other adults surround them)

Leader: Running, jumping, falling, laughing, singing, dancing, climbing, our children are our joy.

**All: Today, we are all children, gathered to praise and worship you, loving God.**

Leader: Rolling, smiling, hugging, shouting, crying, cheering, painting, toddling, drawing, our children are our joy.

**All: Today, we are all children of God, gathered to bless our children.**

Leader: Short and tall, thin and thick, dark and light, bright and full of smiles, changing and growing, our children are our joy.

**All: Today, we pause to let them know how much we love them. We pause to remind ourselves of our promises to them: to guard, guide, and defend them; to protect them from dangers seen and unseen; to live holy lives in front of them; to never stop trying to be spiritually alive members of the church and ambassadors for Christ everywhere we go.**

Leader: let us all pray together:

**Loving God, bless us that we may be a blessing to our children. Help us remember who we are and from where we have come. Help us remember the things you have done for us in the past so we can teach them to our children. May we give them hope and enthusiasm for the future. May we give them openness to your holy message of forgiveness, grace, and love. May they too want to walk in the paths of righteousness. May your word live in them and for generations to come. Hear this prayer we offer today. Amen.**

**Scripture: I Samuel chapter 17 included in sermon Erika Dennis**

**Sermon: David and Goliath Rev. Victoria**

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

**Call to Offering: (Sing in Unison NCH p. 785) Erika Dennis**

**We give you but your own, what e'er the gift may be; All that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully! Amen**

**Offertory: Goin' Up Yonder**

**\*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

**Loving God we ask that you bless these offerings which we share with you now. Use them for your good purpose in this church and community. May it help bring about your will for this place of ministry and beyond. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn:**                   **O for a World NCH p. 575 all verses**

**\*Benediction: (Unison)**

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 June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Juneteenth Celebration**

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

### **TUESDAY June 25<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 AM Quilters – Small dining room

5:00 PM American Youth - Bradley Hall

7:00 PM AA Top of the Hill – Lounge

### **THURSDAY June 27<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 PM Choir Practice – Music Room

### **FRIDAY June 28<sup>th</sup>**

10:00AM Bible Study -in the Lounge led by Donna Purificacion

### **SATURDAY June 29<sup>th</sup>**

3:00 PM a patriotic celebration of music will begin at 3 pm at St. Mark's Lutheran Church  
1st and I Street.

### **SUNDAY June 30<sup>th</sup> -Independence Day traditions**

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

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