

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



WORSHIP SERVICE

9:30 A.M.

September 14, 2025

Homecoming and Mexican Independence Day

***“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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Greeters: Betty Joan Reynolds & Nancy Holiman

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**Thought before Worship: “Let our first act each morning be the following
resolve: I shall not fear anyone on earth. I shall fear only God.”**

Mohandas K. Gandhi

Prelude:

Margaret Gaillard

Lighting of the Candles:

Welcome and Announcements:

Rev. Victoria Freiheit

Liturgist:

Norma Brainard

Gathering Music:

Elijah Vaca

1. Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

2. As the Deer

3. It's A Great Day

Opening Prayer:

Rev. Victoria

Our Motto: **“No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here!”**

***Opening Hymn:**

God, You Have Set Us NCH p. 372. All verses

Call to Worship: (Responsively)

Norma Brainard

One: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from our Savior Jesus Christ.

All: **We thank God as we remember one another and celebrate our partnership in
the gospel.**

One: God has begun a good work among us and calls for our worthy, wholehearted
involvement.

All: **We will stand side by side, firm in one spirit, striving for the faith of the
gospel. Amen.**

Hymn:

De Colores NCH p. 402 all verses

***Please stand if you are able**

Prayer of Invocation: (Unison) Norma Brainard
We come together with the assurance of Jesus: Where two or three are gathered together in my name, I am there among them. We are more than two or three. We are gathered in your name. Bind us in Christian love. Amen.

Choir Anthem: **Within These Walls** **Guest Conductor:**
words and music by Pepper Choplin Donna Purificacion

Children's Time: Rev. Victoria

Scripture: **Matthew 28:19-20** Rev. Victoria
Included in the sermon

Sermon: **Homecoming** Rev. Victoria
Albergue Mission: Nancy Holiman
Everybody's Birthday Offering: Ruth Jones

Prayers of the People, Pastoral Prayer Rev. Victoria
and Lord's Prayer (Using debts and debtors)

Call to Offering: Include Birthday offering Norma Brainard
Lend your joy to all your giving, let it light our pilgrim way; from the night of anxious keeping, lose us into generous day. Then when years on earth are over, and we've lived our human span, God, fulfill beyond our dreaming, all our stewardship began. Amen.

Offertory: Margaret Gaillard

***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)** Norma Brainard
We cannot give without receiving so much more than we have given. God's ways are wonderful. God's ways are wonderful. Amen.

***Closing Hymn:** **My Faith Looks up to Thee** Red p. 84 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.

With peace eternally, let there be peace on Earth, and let it begin with me.

Postlude:

Margaret Gaillard

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 September 14th - Celebrate Mexican Independence Day
+ Homecoming + Everybody's Birthday Offering**

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship + Ice cream Social

TUESDAY September 16th

5:00 PM AYOP- Bradley Hall

7:00 PM AA Top of the Hill – Lounge

THURSDAY September 18th

7:00 PM Choir Practice – Choir Room

FRIDAY September 19th

10:00 AM Bible Study led by Donna Purificacion – Lounge

7:30 PM AA Friday Night Happy Hour group meeting – Lounge

SATURDAY September 20th

10:00 AM Art Group meets in small dining room

SUNDAY September 21st

9:30 AM Worship Service – Guest Minister from South Africa:

Rev. Phiwa Langeni

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

COMMUNITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

YOU'RE INVITED TO A

HOMECOMING

and

**EVERYBODY'S
BIRTHDAY**




SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

SERVICE AT 09:30AM

**FOLLOWED BY ICE CREAM SOCIAL
AFTER THE SERVICE**

276 F STREET, CHULA VISTA, CA 91910

Save the Date All Church Picnic

 Saturday, October 11th

 Sweetwater Regional Park

 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

More details to follow each week as we get closer!



The Third Annual “Share Your Talents & Collections”

 Sunday, September 28th

 Bradley Hall | Community Congregational Church

The Fine Arts Committee invites you to our third annual Share Your Talents and Collections event! Come enjoy a delightful “Coffee Hour” as we showcase the unique skills and cherished collections of our church family. Proceeds will support future events like concerts, theatre outings, and more!

 Do you have something to share or sell?

Bring your stamps, baseball cards, quilts, jewelry, sewing projects, or artwork! Please include a 3 x 5 card with your name, description, and price if you’d like to sell your items.

 Everyone will be able to vote for their favorite display!

Set-up will take place on Saturday, September 27th in Bradley Hall.
We’d appreciate any help with set-up or organizing!

 Have questions? Contact Echo Stafford at (619) 656-9136.

Let’s celebrate creativity, connection, and community!