

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



**WORSHIP SERVICE**

**9:30 A.M.**

**September 21, 2025**

***“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:** Violeta Estepa & Marilyn Bintz

**Community Congregational Church of Chula Vista**  
**United Church of Christ**  
**September 21, 2025**

**Thought before Worship: “People from a planet without flowers would think we must be mad with joy the whole time to have such things about us.”**

Iris Murdoch

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**Prelude:** Lionel Jasmin & Aiden Keys

**Lighting of the Candles:**

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

**Liturgist:** Donna Purificacion

**Gathering Music:**

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: The Lord’s my Shepherd, I’ll Not Want Red p. 42. Verses 1-3**

**Call to Worship: (Responsively)** Donna Purificacion

One: O magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt his Name together.

**All: At all times we will bless the Lord, whose praise shall continually be on our tongues.**

One: O taste and see that the Lord is good.

**All: Happy are all who take refuge in God. Amen.**

**Hymn: The Lord’s my Shepherd, I’ll Not Want Red p. 42. Verses 4-5**

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

**Prayer of Invocation: (Unison)**

Donna Purificacion

**O God, in you our ancestors trusted and were not put to confusion. Give us grace to put our hope in you, that in faith we may share your love with neighbors near and far. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Christ, who has set us free. Amen.**

**Choir Anthem:**

**Love Endures** by James E. Moore, Jr

**Children's Time:**

Rev. Victoria

**Scripture:**

**Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

Donna Purificacion

**Sermon:**

**The Extravagant Sower**

Rev. Phiwa Langeni, UCC

**Associate Conference Minister, Southern California/Nevada Conference**

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

Rev. Victoria

**Call to Offering:**

Donna Purificacion

**“What is a Christian?” someone asked a Hindu man. He responded, “The Christian is someone who gives.” They will know we are Christians by our love. Amen.**

**Offertory:**

Isai Bahena

**\*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)**

Donna Purificacion

**Blessed are they who give today the products of their sweat to God so that the poor may also be satisfied, and that God's purpose may flourish on earth as it has been fulfilled in heaven. O God, we offer what we can, please match our puny gifts with your generous grace. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn:**

**Standing in the Need of Prayer** NCH p. 519 verses 1,3 & 4

**\*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:**

Lionel Jasmin & Aiden Keys

## **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 21<sup>st</sup>**

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

### **TUESDAY September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

5:00 PM AYOP- Bradley Hall

7:00 PM AA Top of the Hill – Lounge

### **THURSDAY September 25<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 PM Choir Practice – Choir Room

### **FRIDAY September 26<sup>th</sup>**

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


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

### **SUNDAY September 28<sup>th</sup>**

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

## **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!**



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## **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!**