# COMMUNITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF CHULA VISTA UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



9:30 A.M.
October 12, 2025
Blessing of the Animals

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## 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:** Judy May & Marilynn Milligan

# Community Congregational Church of Chula Vista United Church of Christ October 12, 2025 Blessing of the Animals

**Thought Before Worship** "You are never too old to set a new goal or to dream a new dream..." *Connie Francis* 

**Prelude:** Yes I Know by Heroes of Faith

**Lighting of the Candles** 

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

Liturgist: Norma Brainard

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!"

\*Hymn: Morning Has Broken Red p. 5 all verses

Call to Worship:(Responsively)

Norma Brainard

One: Let us come together and affirm God's presence gratefully and with love.

All: We bring to God now our whole selves—our hopes, our failures, our joys, our disappointments, our proud achievements, our secret fears.

One: Let us come to God's presence eagerly and expectantly. Let us pay attention to our Father, knowing that as we listen God will teach us.

All: God has made us and knows us better than we know ourselves. And yet, and yet, God loves us and can make us whole. Amen.

**Children's Time:** (no children's time—have them stay for the animal blessing in the patio)

<sup>\*</sup> Please stand if you are able.

Choir anthem: Living Hope Arranged by Joseph Martin

Guest conductor:
Donna Purificacion

**Scripture:** Included in the sermon

Sermon: Fabian's Formula Rev. Victoria

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

Call to Offering: from Psalm 54:6

Norma Brainard

I will sacrifice a freewill offering to you; I will praise your name, O Lord,

for it is good. Amen.

Offertory: The Blood of Jesus by Heroes of Faith

\***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 dedicate these gifts to you, O God, thanking You for the gifts of our lives and the lives of our animals. Help us to continue caring for them and for all that sustains us, so we can continue to give back to You, O Lord. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

\*Closing Hymn: All Creatures of Our God and King Red. p.347, v.1-4

\*Benediction: Rev. Victoria

Recess to the patio for the Animal Blessings

(We will close out there and sing "Let there be Peace on Earth")

#### **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**

Sunday October 12<sup>th</sup> – Blessing of the Animals

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

**TUESDAY** October 14<sup>th</sup>

5:00 PM AYOP- Bradley Hall

7:00 PM AA Top of the Hill – Lounge

THURSDAY October 16th

7:00 PM Choir Practice – Choir Room

FRIDAY October 17<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 October 19<sup>th</sup>

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

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#### **Custodian Position Available**

Our church is seeking a dedicated Custodian to join our ministry team.

Application forms and Job descriptions are available in the church office or online through Louise.

Applications are due by November 15.

We appreciate your help in spreading the word!

### Save the Date All Church Picnic

Saturday, October 11th

**?** Sweetwater Regional Park

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Pastor Tony will be providing transportation from the church to the park for those in need. If you require transportation directly from your home to the park, please contact Ruth Jones to make arrangements.

Please note that there is a \$5 parking fee per vehicle payable at the gate. For your convenience, you may also pay in advance by credit card through the link provided. <a href="https://hotspotparking.us/PermitPortal/purchase/45">https://hotspotparking.us/PermitPortal/purchase/45</a>

You are also welcome to bring a special dish to share with everyone. There is a splash pad for children so don't forget your swimsuit!

We look forward to seeing you there!