# COMMUNITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF CHULA VISTA UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



## **WORSHIP SERVICE**

Community Congregational Church of Chula Vista
United Church of Christ
December 14, 2025
Third Sunday of Advent

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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**Thought Before Worship:** "We cannot do everything at once, but we can do something at once." *Calvin Coolidge* 

**Prelude:** by the young pianists and organists of the Community Congregational Church of Chula Vista

- 1. Sage Abellard Ode To Joy by Beethoven
  - 2. Austin Bowen Jingle Bells
  - 3. Kashlyn Parks Mary Did You Know
    - 4. Camila Moran Alouette
  - 5. Ernice Bien Aime Jesus Loves Me
  - 6. Jeremias Guzman Waymaker

7. Avery Bowen, Organist Prelude In C By Bach

**Lighting of the Candles:** Purificacion Family

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

Liturgist: Belen Hebreo

\*Gathering Music: 1.Go Tell It on The Mountain

2. O Come Let Us Adore Him

3. It's a Great Day

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

**Opening Prayer:** Rev. Victoria

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

**Lighting of the Advent Peace Candle:** 

by Abner and Melyn Limbo

"As we light the candle of Joy, we notice that joyful people are grateful, and we ask that God fill us with gratitude, that we all may be joyful too. Amen."

**Opening Hymn:** Joyful, Joyful We Adore You NCH p. 4 all verses

Call to Worship:(Responsively)

Belen Hebreo

One: A hunger of the heart. All: A sound in the night.

One: A baby's low cry.

All: A new star so bright. One: We hasten to be ready,

All: For love and joy are there.

One: A child in the manger,

All: A gift from God who cares.

**Hymn:** Angels We Have Heard on High Red. p. 192 All verses

**Prayer of Invocation: Unison** 

Belen Hebreo

God of manger and star, we enter your story with joy as we kneel with the shepherds, sing with the angels, and worship with the Magi. Touch our hearts with the wonder of birth and the depths of your love. Speak to us in word and song and lift us to the realms of glory. Amen.

**Children's Story:** 

Rev. Victoria

Christmas Cantata: NIGHT OF MIRACLES by John W. Peterson

Soloists: Ester Banayo (Mary's Lullaby to baby Jesus)

Bass: David Hand, Noe Bahena

Tenors: Abner Limbo, Isaac Padilla, Alejandro Tapia

#### **Choir Members and Officers**

<u>Director</u> Lionel Jasmin

President David Hand,

Narrator Rev. Victoria Freiheit

#### **Accompanist and Drummer**

Elijah Baca Gabriel Jasmin Aiden Keys

#### **SOPRANOS**

Ester Banayo
Echo Stafford
Donna Purificacion
Melyn Limbo
Tanya Tapia
Sampaguita Bahena
Rosille Vazquez
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**Director Assistant Donna Purificacion** 

**ALTOS** 

Suzanne Persaud Jasmin
Belen Hebreo
Pat Doege
Nancy Reynolds
Ruth Jones
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Julia Baca
Madison Taylor
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**TENORS** 

Abner Limbo Alejandro Tapia Isaac Padilla Hiel Limbo Gabriel Jasmin

**BASS** 

David Hand Irving Hernandez Nathan Purification Noe Bahena Elijah Baca

**Sound Engineer Kevin Hewitt** 

Special thanks to:

Ko Tangen
Jerry May
Pelito Capistrano
Louise Lopez
Sylvia Campbell
Corinne McCall

Scripture: Psalm 146
Included in Sermon

Sermon:

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Rev. Victoria

I wonder as I wander out under the sky, How Jesus the Savior did come for to die For poor ornery people like you and like I. I wonder as I wander, out under the sky.

When Mary birthed Jesus, 'twas in a cow's stall, With wise men, and angels and shepherds and all, But high from God's heaven a star's light did fall, And the promise of ages it then did recall.

If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing, A star in the sky or a bird on the wing, Or all of God's angels in heaven for to sing, He surely could have it, for he was the King

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Prayers of the People, Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

**Call to Offering: Unison** 

Belen Hebreo

Lord our God, love began with you and has filled our cup to overflowing. In the abundance of your countless gifts, help us to give back as we can so we'll feel worthy of all you have given us. Amen.

**Offertory:** 

O Holy Night

Sampaguita 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)** 

Belen Hebreo

As we dedicate our tithes and offerings to You, O Lord, help us to remember what you said: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." Amen.

\*Closing Hymn:

Be Thou My Vision Red p.468 verses 1, 2 & 4

\*Benediction: Rev. Freiheit

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

#### **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 December 14th - Christmas Cantata and 3rd Sunday of Advent

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship

TUESDAY December 16th

5:00 PM American Youth - Bradley Hall

7:00 PM AA Top of the Hill – Lounge

WEDNESDAY December 17th

10:30 AM Women's Fellowship- Preschool Christmas Program

**THURSDAY** December 18<sup>th</sup>

7:00 PM Choir Practice in Choir Room

FRIDAY December 19<sup>th</sup>

10:00 AM Bible Study meets in Lounge

SUNDAY December 21st – 4th Sunday of Advent

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

WEDNESDAY December 24th

6:00 PM Christmas Eve Service

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