COMMUNITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF CHULA VISTA UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



9:30 A.M. May 26, 2024

Memorial Day Weekend

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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Chris Dunn- Coffee Hour

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Greeters: Violeta Estepa & Marilyn Bintz

Community Congregational Church of Chula Vista United Church of Christ Memorial Day May 26, 2024

Thought Before Worship: Jesus is the rock that doesn't roll. Andrews McMeel

Prelude by congregation: 1. God bless America

2. This land is your Land

3. Star spangled banner (national anthem)

Gathering Music: 1. We are marching in the light of God

2. It's a great day to praise the Lord

Welcome and Announcements:

Rev. Elvin Harrison

*Opening Hymn: Eternal Father, Strong to Save Red p. 679 all verses

Liturgist: Erika Dennis

Call to Worship: (Responsively)

Erika Dennis

One: Faded photographs, Distant memories **All: Of special Times, Of painful news** One: Family and friends saddened by death.

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All: Anguished by loss, Conflicted over wars

One: Yet we are not alone.

All: We are forever remembered by God,

One: Forever held by God

All: Forever given reason to sing

One: For God's love is stronger that death,

All: And the Spirit gives wings to new hope.

Hymn: Holy, Holy, NCH p. 277 all verses

Prayer of Invocation: (Unison)

Erika Dennis

We hold up before you, our Creator, all of our loved ones who have passed from earth to eternity. Especially, we remember those who have laid down their lives that others may live. Keep them in our memories. Keep them in our hearts. And grant us the assurance that we shall be reunited around the throne of God. Amen.

Choir anthem: Sing! Shout! Praise!

Words and Music by Pepper Choplin

^{*} Please stand if you are able.

Childrens Story: Rev. Harrison

Scripture: Isaiah 6:1-8 and John 3: 16-17 Erika Dennis

Sermon Responding to Good News Rev. Harrison

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

Call to Offering: Unison

Erika Dennis

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this day and for every day. We rejoice that your steadfast love greets us every morning, sustains us throughout each day, and watches over us when we lie down to sleep. Remind us of your constant presence, that we may offer you the continual thanksgiving of faith and service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory: At the Cross Chris Dunn

*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

As people of God, we know that we are loved by God, especially now when we show that we are cheerful, yes, hilarious givers. Amen

*Closing Hymn: Battle Hymn of the Republic Red p.692 all verses

*Benediction: (Unison) Rev. Harrison

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:

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 May 26th- Memorial Day Weekend

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

TUESDAY May 28th

10:00 AM Quilters – Small dining room 5:00 PM American Youth - Bradley Hall 7:00 PM AA Top of the Hill – Lounge

THURSDAY May 30th

7:00 PM Choir Practice – Music Room

FRIDAY May 31st

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

SUNDAY June 2nd – Communion Sunday

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

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