

Welcome to Watsonville First United Methodist Church

Our Mission

*Tipping the world toward love
by following the Way of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world*

Season of Ordinary Time

Sunday, August 15, 2021, 10 am

Whoever you are...

what you've done,
who you love,

and **wherever you are in your journey of faith...**

what you believe
or what you don't believe,

You are welcome here!

*[In order to provide a safe worship experience, we follow the latest CDC Covid guidelines. We recommend both fully vaccinated (you can still be a carrier of the virus) and not fully vaccinated to wear a mask not only to protect yourself but to protect others. In addition, if you are not fully vaccinated, please maintain 6 feet social distancing. Thank you.]

Words of Meditation

*Christianity has not been tried and found wanting;
it has been found difficult and not tried.*

- Gilbert K. Chesterton

Sin is being out of an alignment with God's deepest desire for your life.

- St. Ignatius of Loyola, 15th century Spanish mystic and theologian

(Jesus) said to them,

*"You are from below, I am from above;
you are of this world, I am not of this world."*

- John 8:23

*(*Please stand if you are able)*

Prelude

We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise
M. Hayes

Marina Thomas

Bringing in the Light

Welcome & the Life of the Church

***Passing of Peace** (Wave to your neighbors near you with **"Peace of Christ be with you."**)

***Gathering Song**

We've a Story to Tell to the Nation

#569

***Call to Worship (Responsive)**

Leader: Come to Christ, that living stone,
rejected by the world, but in God's sight chosen and precious.

**People: We have responded to Christ's call,
to follow the Way of Christ,
to be Christ's presence on earth.**

Leader: Once we were no people, but now we are God's people,
called out of the darkness into God's marvelous light.
Therefore we sing with the Church in all ages:

**People: Blessed be your name, O God, our Redeemer.
By your mercy we have been born anew to a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.**

Children's Time

"I Can Do All Things through Christ"

Pastor John

Congregational Singing

Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

#277

Prayers & Blessings of the People

- a. Sharing of Joys & Concerns (Please raise your hand & mic will be given to you)
- b. Silent Prayer & Meditation
- c. Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer/Padre Nuestro (You are invited to pray in the language of your choice)

- a. Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.
- b. Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre; venga tu reino; hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbanos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo el poder y la gloria por siempre. Amen.

Response to Our Prayers

On Eagle's Wings

#143

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of God's hands.

***Gospel Readings**

Mark 1:14-15

The Beginning of Jesus Ministry

"Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news

of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

Mark 8:34-37

Three Requirements of Becoming Jesus’ Disciples

“³⁴ He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶ For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷ Indeed, what can they give in return for their life?”

John 10:10

“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Special Music

Piano Recital
Allyson, Elizabeth, Febe & Isaiah

Message

“Our Mission”

Rev. John Song

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Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Let us respond to this word of grace and hope by the giving of our tithes and offerings, which support the varied ministries of the Watsonville First United Methodist Church, mission at home and throughout the world.

Offertory

Offertory on Salvationist
T. Birchwood

Marina Thomas

Presentation of Offering

***Doxology**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

#95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Offertory Prayer (In unison)**

Accept these gifts from our hearts, O God, and our lives in the ministry of love, justice, and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***Recessional Song**

Servant of All

(2x)

***Sending Out into the World**

Postlude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
F. Ritter

Marina Thomas

*We warmly invite everyone to a delicious cup of Peet's Coffee,
refreshments and fellowship in the Social Hall following worship.*

**Be sure to sign up for your personalized nametag necklace from Tahja & Crew.*

Altar Flowers: Hilda Rocha
Refreshments: AR & Fred Pointer

Liturgists: Tahja Martinez, Lucila Pantaleon, Febe Avitua
Ushers/Greeters: Marieta Flores & Laura Andrade

Calendar for the Week

Sun., Aug. 15	10:00 am	Worship Celebration
	11:10 am	Coffee Hour, Social Hall
		Nametag Necklace Craft Booth
	11:50 am	SPPRC Meeting, Pastor's Office
Tue., Aug. 17	6:00 pm	Weekly Worship Team Meeting via Zoom
Thu., Aug. 19	2:00 pm	Piano Lessons & Theory, Sanctuary
Sun., Aug. 22	10:00 am	Worship Celebration
	11:10 am	Coffee Hour, Social Hall
		Nametag Necklace Craft Booth

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