

# Welcome to Watsonville First United Methodist Church

## Our Mission and Purpose

### Our Mission

*Tipping the world toward love and justice  
in alignment with God's deepest desire  
for our lives and all God's creation.*

### Our Purpose

*Watsonville First United Methodist Church exists  
so that all are invited to experience the love of God  
and follow the Way of Jesus Christ  
to transform ourselves and the world.*

## Fifth Sunday of Epiphany

Sunday, January 30, 2022, 10 am

Please join us every Sunday for in-person Worship at 10am wearing masks and social distancing. We follow local, state, and federal guidelines. You can also worship online by going to our website “[watsonville1stumc.org](http://watsonville1stumc.org)” and click [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#). It will be uploaded on Sunday afternoon for your viewing.

**We welcome all visitors today!** Thank you for being here and gracing us with your presence. Please fill out the “*Visitation Card*” found in the pew and either place it in the offering plate or deposit into the *Suggestion Box* in the narthex nave.

**Children** are invited to enjoy the resources in the **Children Learning Center** located at the back of the sanctuary during worship. Children are welcome to check out books and activity items to take home by signing the simple “*Check-out Sheet*” on clipboard there.

## Words of Meditation

*Your task is not to seek for love, but first to seek and find  
all the barriers within yourself that you have erected against it.*

*- Rumi, the 13<sup>th</sup> century Persian mystic and a poet*

*Love is such an integral aspect of our true nature  
that the two cannot be separated.*

*~ Adyashanti*

*We are put on earth a little space  
That we may learn to bear the beams of love.*

*~ William Blake*

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

**Prelude**

*God of All My Days*

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.”)

#### **\*Call to Worship** (Responsive)

Leader: You have placed your truth in the inner being;

**People: Therefore, teach us the wisdom of the heart.**

Leader: Create in us a clean heart, O God,

**People: And put a new and right spirit within us.**

Leader: Enfold us in the arms of love,

**People: And fill us with your Holy Spirit.**

Leader: Free us from all that binds us in fear,

**People: Cleanse us that your light may shine in us.**

Leader: Restore in us the joy of your saving grace,

**All: That we may radiate love and live in freedom.**

#### **\*Opening Prayer** (In unison)      “The Prayer of St. Francis”      #481

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand,

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

#### **\*Gathering Song**      *Sweet, Sweet Spirit*      #334

#### **Children’s Time**      Pastor John

#### **Prayers of the People**

a. Sharing of Joys & Concerns (Please raise your hand & mic will be given to you)

b. Meditation and Prayer

c. Pastoral Prayer

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

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.

**Response to Our Prayers**                      *On Eagle's Wings*                      #143

**Psalm Reading**                                      **Psalm 51:10-12**

“<sup>10</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and put a new and right spirit within me.  
<sup>11</sup> Do not cast me away from your presence,  
and do not take your holy spirit from me.  
<sup>12</sup> Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and sustain in me a willing spirit.”

**\*Gospel Reading**                                      **John 14:27**

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.”

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.  
**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Special Music**                      *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*                      Layla Dias & Aiden Santa Cruz  
Sebastian Temple, Arr. Jane Holstein

**Message**                      **“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”**                      Rev. John Song

**Hymn**                                      *Change My Heart, O God*                      FWS #2151

**Offering Our Gifts and Tithes**

Leader: 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**                                      *Morning Prayer*                      Marina Thomas

**\*Doxology**                      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.                      #95

**\*Offertory Prayer (In unison)**

Accept our gifts from our hearts, O God, and dedicating our lives in tipping the world toward love and justice by following the Way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

**\*Recessional Song**                      *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*                      FWS #2171

**\*Sending Out into the World**

\*There is NO Coffee Hour gathering in the Social Hall following worship due to surge in the Omicron variant infection rate in our county. We will resume when the infection rate subsides. Thank you.

**Liturgists:** Tahja Martinez, Febe Avitua

**Greeters:** Harry & Clarice Wiggins

**Head Ushers:** Marieta Flores

**Tech Team:** Antonio Pantaleon, Lucila Pantaleon, Kaya Lourenco

**Nursery Attendants:** Tatyana Martinez, Julissa Solis

### Calendar for the Week

Sun., Jan. 30	10:00 am	<b>Fifth Sunday of Epiphany Worship</b> No Coffee Hour
	12:00 pm	Piano Lessons & Theory
Wed., Feb. 2	5:30 pm	Finance Meeting, via Zoom
Thu., Feb. 3	4:00 pm	Food for Children, Back Parking Lot
Sat., Feb. 5	2:00 pm	Piano Lessons & Theory
Sun., Feb. 6	10:00 am	<b>Sixth Sunday of Epiphany with Holy Communion</b> No Coffee Hour
	11:50 am	SPRC Meeting, St. Stephen's Room
	12:00 pm	Piano Lessons & Theory
	2:00 pm	Wats. Journey to Hope Meeting, via Zoom

### Upcoming Meetings

- Wed. Feb. 2:** Finance, 5:30 pm via Zoom
- Sun. Feb. 6:** SPRC, 11:50 am in St. Stephen's Room
- Sun. Feb. 6:** Journey to Hope, 2:00 pm via Zoom
- Sun. Feb. 13:** Leadership Council, 11:50 am in St. Stephen's room (or zoom)

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Mike Locke-Paddon, Music Director

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Antonio Pantaleon, Media Director

Bob Culbertson, Tahja Martinez, Lay Leaders

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