

Leader: He is called Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

People: **His authority shall grow continually,
and there shall be endless peace through
his glorious reign.**

All: **Let the trees of the forest shout for joy.
Let heaven and nature sing!**

***Gathering Song** *Joy to the World* #246 (vs. 1, 2, 4)

***Gospel Reading** **Mathew 25: 1-13**
The Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids

“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ² Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³ When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, ⁴ but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵ As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶ But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ ⁷ Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ ⁹ But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’

¹⁰ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. ¹¹ Later the other young women came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ ¹² But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ ¹³ Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

Matthew 5:14-16

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your God in heaven.”

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Special Music *“My Fair Lady”* Marina Thomas, piano solo
F. Loewe

*Children may now leave for Lego Sunday School
with the teacher, Joan Culbertson, to the Nursery Room.*

Message **“Bring Your Oil Lamp”** AR Pointer

Hymn Response *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* #334

Calendar for the Week

Sun., June 11	10:00 am	Worship Service/ LEGO Sunday Preaching: AR Pointer
	11:10 am	Coffee Hour, Social Hall
Mon., June 12	1-3 pm	Sewing Group , St. Stephen's room
	11am-12pm	Summer Swim Lessons , YMCA
Tue., June 13	11am-12pm	Summer Swim Lessons , YMCA
	12:30 pm	Mural Ribbon Cutting Ceremony , Flodberg Park
Wed., June 14	11am-12pm	Summer Swim Lessons , YMCA
	3:00 pm	VBS Planning Meeting , St. Stephen's room
Thu., June 15	11am-12pm	Summer Swim Lessons , YMCA
Sat., June 17	12:00 pm	Free Mental Health Workshop in Spanish , Social Hall
Sun., June 18	10:00 am	Father's Day Sunday
	11:10 am	Coffee Hour, Social Hall

Opportunities

Mural Ribbon Cutting Ceremony & Lunch by Freedom Rotary Tuesday, June 13th at 12:30 pm at the Flodberg Park

You can see the mural from our church parking lot across the Flodberg Park. We will be joined by the Watsonville First UMC congregation, as well as Friends of Watsonville Parks and Community Services. If you plan to attend please contact the church office (831) 724-4434 so that the Freedom Rotary can plan a picnic lunch for you.

Meals for Pajaro Emergency Recovery Volunteers

A six person response team helping in housing in Pajaro will be staying at the church several week-ends this summer. Carol and Richard Parker plan to fix them breakfast and a sack lunch. If you would like to bake cookies or muffins for their lunches or prepare an evening meal for them on Friday or Saturday, please talk to Carol or Richard to arrange details.

The dates will be **June 23 & 24; July 21 & 22; July 28 & 29
Aug 11 & 12; Aug 25 & 26; Sept 8 & 9; Sept 22 & 23.**

**Free MENTAL HEALTH Workshop in Spanish
Sat. June 17, 2023, 12 pm – 2 pm @ Wats1st UMC**

**Free MENTAL HEALTH Workshop in English
Sat. July 29, 2023, 12 pm – 2 pm @ Wats1st UMC**

Facilitated by Dr. Hanna Song, PsyD & Santiago Gallegos, MS, CCC-SLP

Holy Walkamolies: Point Lobos State Natural Reserve

Saturday, June 24, 9 am – 1 pm

(All are welcome! Meet at the church parking lot at 9:00 am for carpool.)

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