# Welcome to Watsonville First United Methodist Church

# Open Mind, Open Heart, Open Door

Let us all be good humans on earth and be good neighbors to one another. Be the reason why someone feels included, welcomed, valued, listened to, supported, and loved.

We are a publicly declared *Reconciling Congregation* and a member of the Reconciling Ministries Network that advocates and works for a truly all-inclusive church. As a Christian community, we lean in on radical inclusion welcoming to humans of all races, gender identities, and sexual orientations who are affirmed and accepted as a full participant in the life and work of this United Methodist congregation.

#### Whoever you are...

whatever you've done, whoever you love,

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

whatever you believe or whatever you don't believe, You are welcome here!

# **Ordinary Time**

Sunday, June 30, 2024, 10 am

#### Today is Sunday School with Joan!

First, children will be in worship. Following the Special Music, the teacher, Joan Culbertson, will lead our children to the Nursery Room.

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 back in the narthex.

**Prayer Candles** are located back at the narrhex for anyone who wants to light a candle for someone or something and offer it to God in prayer.

**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**

"Lord, save us from somber saints." ~ St. Teresa of Avila

The mind is its own place, and in itself
Can make a Heaven of Hell, a Hell of Heaven.

~ John Milton, from <u>Paradise Lost</u>

"Unhappy souls always see happy souls as irritating." ~ John Song

"People who are not solid and satisfied on the inside aren't happy and they will never be durably happy with others." ~ Melanie Tonia Evans

"You can't spit at a smiling face." ~ Korean Proverb

"In every genuine person, there is a child hidden who wants to play." ~ Nietzsche

#### **Choosing Joy**

"Joy does not simply happen to us. We have to choose joy and keep choosing it every day. It is a choice based on the knowledge that we belong to God and have found in God our refuge and our safety and that nothing, not even death, can take God away from us."

~ Henri Nouwen

(\*Please stand if you are able)

Prelude

All Creatures of Our God and King Arr. Cindy Berry Holly Ota

Bringing in the Light

Welcome & the Life of the Church

AR Pointer

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

\*Centering Breath

Marieta Flores

\*Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: This the day that the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Leader: This none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

\*Gathering Song

This Is the Day

#657 (2x)

**Psalm Reading** 

Psalm 118:24

"This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!"

**Book of Wisdom** 

Proverbs 16:20

"Happy are those that trust in the Lord."

\*Gospel Reading

John 15:11

"I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete."

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Choir Anthem:

"He Hideth My Soul"
Words by Fanny J. Crosby
Music by William Kirkpatrick, Arranged by John Carter

A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord, a wonderful Savior to me;
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock, where rivers of pleasure I see.
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock that shadows a dry, thirsty land,
He hideth my life in the depths of His love, and covers me there with His hand.
A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord, he taketh my burden away;
He holdeth me up, and I shall not be moved, He giveth me strength for each day.
With numberless blessings each moment He crowns filled with his fullness divine.
I sing in my rapture, "O glory to God for such a Redeemer as mine".
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock that shadows a dry thirsty land;
He hideth my life in the depths of His love, and covers me there with His hand.

Message

"Creative Rejoicing"

**AR** Pointer

Hymn

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

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#### 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

Sonata in D

I. Allegro - Haydn

Holly Ota

\*Hymn to the Trinity Gloria Patri (Glory Be to the Father)

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

# \*Unison Prayer of Dedication

We come before you, O Lord, dedicating our gifts and our lives in your service. In gratefulness for calling us as your own, we offer you our thanks and praise. Receive our pledges and the gifts of our hands, and use them to bring light to the darkness and hope to places of despair and suffering, through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

\*Recessional Song

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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\*Benediction [\*This ends the Live Streaming]

**AR Pointer** 

# Prayers of the People

**AR** Pointer

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

Postlude Immortal, Invisible Holly Ota

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

Today's refreshments: Marieta Flores

Pastor John is on vacation and he'll return to office on July 2.

#### Worship Leaders

Ministers Each one of us
Guest Preacher AR Pointer
Pianist Holly Ota

Choir Leader Carmelita Abenoja

Liturgist Maira & Allyson Sandoval-West Greeters Harry & Clarice Wiggins, Peter Telc

Head Usher Marieta Flores

Tech Team Antonio Pantaleón, Lucila Pantaleón, Elizabeth Reitano

Nursery Attendants Tatyana Martinez, Julissa Solis

Coffee Hour Marieta Flores

#### Calendar for the Week

Sun.	June 30	10:00 am	Worship Service
			Guest Preacher: AR Pointer
		11:10 am	Coffee Hour, Social Hall
		11:40 am	Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Mon.	July 1	1-3 pm	Sewing Group, St. Stephen's room
Thur.	July 4		OFFICE CLOSED / Happy 4 <sup>th</sup> of July! NO Thur. Bible Study (It will resume on July 18.) NO Food for Children Distribution this month!
Sun.	July 7	10:00 am	Independence Day Celebration w Holy Communion
		11:10 am	Coffee Hour, Social Hall
		11:40 am	Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

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Office Hours: Tue-Thu 9 am - 5 pm, Fri 9 am - 12 pm (Closed for lunch 12-1 pm)

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Baptism, Membership, Wedding, Funeral, and Pastoral Counseling are available