

# 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.

## **Ordinary Time With Holy Communion**

Sunday, August 4, 2024, 10 am

**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 narthex 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**

“I have trust that if I keep doing what I’m feeling called to do,  
all of my needs will be met.”

~ Light Watkins

#### *The Prayer of Abandonment to God*

By Clemens Maria Hofbauer (1751 – 1820, Vienna)

*I want what God wants  
when He wants it,  
how He wants it,  
because He wants it.*

(\*Please stand if you are able)

**Prelude**

*His Eye Is on the Sparrow*

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.*”)

**\*Centering Breath**

**\*Call to Worship**

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 salvation,

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

**\*Gathering Song**                      *God of Grace and God of Glory*                      #577

**Children's Time**                      "How to Make Good Choices"                      Pastor John

**\*Gospel Readings**                      **Matthew 6:25-30**  
*Do Not Worry About Tomorrow*

<sup>25</sup> "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup> Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?"

<sup>27</sup> And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? <sup>28</sup> And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup> yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

<sup>30</sup> But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? <sup>31</sup>

Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" <sup>32</sup> For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. <sup>33</sup> But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

<sup>34</sup> "So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today."

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

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Message**                      Part 3) "**How to Make the Right Decision Every Time**"                      Rev. John Song

Q 1: What choices you made you regret and wish you can do them over?  
(Take 2 min each and share.)

Q 2: What choices you made you are glad you made them and why?  
(Take 2 min each and share.)

**Hymn in Response**                      *Seek Ye First*                      #405 (2x)

## 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

*Jesus Loves Me*  
W. Bradbury

Marina Thomas

### \*Hymn to the Trinity *Gloria Patri* (Glory to the Father) #70

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

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

## Celebration of Holy Communion / Celebración de la Santa Comunión

The Lord be with you. / *El Señor sea con ustedes.* Spanish Reader: Laura Andrade Sorensen  
**And also with you. / *Y también contigo.***

Lift up your hearts. / *Eleveamos los corazones.*

**We lift them up to the Lord. / *Demos gracias al Señor nuestro Dios.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. / *Demos gracias al Señor nuestro Dios.*

**It is right to give our thanks and praise. / *Es justo darle gracias y alabanza.***

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you.

Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. You created light out of darkness and brought forth life on the earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets. In the fullness of time you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior, and at his birth the angels sang glory to you in the highest and peace to your people on earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**(The Faith we Sing #2007, “HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”)**

**(The Faith We Sing #2007, “SANTO, SANTO, SANTO”)**

**Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!  
My heart knows how to say to you: You are holy, Lord!**

***Santo, santo, santo, mi corazón te adora!***

***Mi corazón te sabe decir: ¡Santo eres, Señor!***

Holy are you, and blessed is Jesus Christ.

*Santo eres Tú, y bendito sea Jesucristo.*

As your Word became flesh, born of Mary, on that night long ago so, on the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

*Como tu Palabra se hizo carne, nació de María, en esa noche hace mucho tiempo, en la noche que se entregó por nosotros, tomó pan, dio gracias, lo partió y lo dio a sus discípulos diciendo:*

“Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

*“Tomen, coman; esto es mi cuerpo dado por ustedes. Hagan esto en memoria de mí”.*

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks, gave it to his disciples, and said:

*Después de la cena, tomó la copa, y después de haber dado gracias, la dio a sus discípulos, diciendo:*

“Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

*“Beban de ella, todos ustedes; ésta es mi sangre del nuevo pacto, derramada por ustedes y por muchos para el perdón de los pecados. Hagan esto todas las veces que la beben, en memoria de mí”.*

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

*Y así, recordando tus actos poderosos en Cristo Jesús, nos ofrecemos en alabanza y agradecimiento como un sacrificio santo y vivo, en unión con la ofrenda de Cristo por nosotros, mientras proclamamos el misterio de la fe.*

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

***Cristo ha muerto; Cristo ha resucitado; Cristo vendrá de nuevo.***

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Creator, now and forever. Amen.

### **Sharing of the bread and the cup**

(The congregation is invited to come forward to share in communion of the bread and the cup.

The United Methodist Church practices open Communion. All are invited, including children, to come forward in the middle aisle in two lines to receive the Communion. If you wish to receive the Communion at your seat, please raise your hand or ask one of the ushers.)

### **Se comparten el pan y la copa**

*(Se invita a la congregación compartir la comunión del pan y de la copa.)*

*We warmly invite everyone to a BBQ Potluck out in the front lawn following worship.*

**\*Recessional Song**

*They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

FWS #2223 (vs. 1-3)

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

### **Prayers of the People**

- 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.
- 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.

### **Postlude**

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

Marina Thomas

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

Today's refreshments: Marieta Flores

\*If you want to bring Refreshments in the future you can sign up on the clipboard in the narthex or see Marieta Flores.

### **Worship Leaders**

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|--------------------|--|
| Pastor             | Rev. John Song   |
| Pianist            | Marina Thomas  |
| Choir Leader       | Carmelita Abenoja                                      |
| Liturgist          | Mark Sorensen  |
| Spanish Reader     | Laura Andrade Sorensen                                 |
| Communion Stewards | Marieta Flores, Laura Andrade Sorensen                 |
| Greeters           | Harry & Clarice Wiggins                                |
| Head Usher         | Marieta Flores   |
| Tech Team          | Antonio Pantaleón, Lucila Pantaleón, Elizabeth Reitano |
| Nursery Attendants | Tatyana Martinez, Julissa Solis                        |
| Coffee Hour        | Marieta Flores   |

### ***Opportunities***

#### ***National Night Out***

**Tuesday, August 6, 5:00 – 7:00 pm** in the back-parking lot!

Come out and meet your neighbors, Watsonville Police Officers & Firefighters. There will be free food and drinks and plenty of entertainment for kids and adults! Special Live Performance by David Rios.

Volunteers & helpers needed. Please bring a dish to share!

## ***SUMMER 2024 Children's Music Program!***

Monday, August 5 – Friday, August 9

Activities: 9:00 am - 11:30 am | Grades: 1 - 6

Sing, Dance, Recorders, Ukuleles,

Drums / Percussion & Learn to read music!

Scholarships Available. Community Hours Available.

Questions? Call or email the office.

## ***Backpack/School Supplies Give Away Sunday***

Sunday, August 11, 2024, during in-person 10 am Worship

(Children must be present)

To donate to the project, make your check to Watsonville FUMC  
& write "Backpack Project" on the Memo line. Thank you!

## ***Coffee Hour Ministry***

Here are 2 ways you can help:

- **Volunteer to Clean Up Afterward**

We need help cleaning up afterwards. This includes washing dishes, putting away coffee materials and insuring all social hall doors are closed shut. Ideally, we need 2 helpers per Sunday (you may partner up with others listed as singles). Sign-up sheet located in the narthex area.

- **Volunteer to Host**

Host a Sunday providing refreshments (optional) that include prep work, set up, and clean up. Sign-up sheet located in the narthex area.

## **Calendar for the Week**

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|-------|---------|------------|--|
| Sun.  | Aug. 4  | 10:00 am   | <b>Worship Service with Holy Communion</b>             |
|       |         | 11:10 am   | Coffee Hour, Social Hall                               |
| Mon.  | Aug. 5  | 9-11:30 am | <b>Children's Music Program</b> , Sanctuary            |
| Tue.  | Aug. 6  | 9-11:30 am | <b>Children's Music Program</b> , Sanctuary            |
|       |         | 5-7 pm     | <b>*National Night Out</b> , Back Parking Lot          |
| Wed.  | Aug. 7  | 9-11:30 am | <b>Children's Music Program</b> , Sanctuary            |
| Thur. | Aug. 8  | 9-11:30 am | <b>Children's Music Program</b> , Sanctuary            |
| Fri.  | Aug. 9  | 9-11:30 am | <b>Children's Music Program</b> , Sanctuary            |
| Sun.  | Aug. 11 | 10:00 am   | <b>Backpack Give Away Sunday with Children's Music</b> |
|       |         | 11:10 am   | Coffee Hour, Social Hall                               |

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