

Welcome to Watsonville First United Methodist Church

Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Doors

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 work to create a welcoming place for all humans.
We believe that God's vision for human community include people of all
races/ethnicities/cultural/national origins, religions, social classes,
gender identities, sexual orientations, abilities, and ages.
We believe that a wider spectrum of human race creates
a more vibrant community to serve God and the world.

First Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, January 12, 2025, 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

"Most of us were taught that God would love us if and when we change.
In fact, God loves you so that you can change.
It is the inherent experience of love that becomes the engine of change."
~ Richard Rohr

"What is impossible for man, it is not impossible for God.
For God can do what man cannot."
~ Luke 18:27

(*Please stand if you are able)

Prelude

God of All My Days
M. Hall

Marina Thomas

Bringing in the Light

Welcome & the Life of the Church

Rev. Clyde Vaughn

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

***Centering Breath**

Marieta Flores

***Call to Worship**

Allyson Sandoval-West

We come, for God gathers us here,
with that community called faith:
**where the hungry are satiated,
where the thirsty drink the living water.**

We come, for God welcomes us here
into that home called grace:
**where the naked are clothed in robes of hope;
where the stranger is embraced as the long-lost prodigal.**

We come, for God reunites us here,
sisters and brothers in that family called love:
**where the imprisoned model justice,
where the sick are cradled in God's peace.**

***Gathering Song**

Many Gifts, One Spirit

#114

Children's Time

"Are You Rich?"

Pastor Clyde

***Gospel Reading**

John 6:24-35

Allyson Sandoval-West

²⁴ So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶ Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate your fill of the loaves.²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸ Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹ Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰ So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us, then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?"

³¹ Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' ³² Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴ They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Special Music

Piano Solo by Marina Thomas

Message

"When We're Hungry"

Rev. Clyde Vaughn

Hymn

Give Thanks

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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

O How He Loves You and Me
K. Kaiser

Marina Thomas

***Hymn to the Trinity**

Gloria Patri (Glory Be 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**

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**

We Are the Church

#558

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

Rev. Clyde Vaughn

Prayers of the People

Rev. Clyde Vaughn

- 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

Only King Forever
S. Furtick

Marina Thomas

*We warmly invite everyone to a delicious cup of good 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

Guest Pastor	Rev. Clyde Vaughn
Pianist	Marina Thomas
Choir Leader	Carmelita Abenoja
Liturgist	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, Tatyana Martinez

Pastor John is away on a Retreat this weekend @ Mercy Center Burlingame.
He'll return to office on Jan. 14.

Opportunities

Winter Dinner Program @ Salvation Army

Friday, Jan. 17, 4:45 pm

If you want to volunteer serving, please call the church office at (831)724-4434 or email us at office@watsonville1stumc.org. Once you notified the church office, show up at the Salvation Army (214 Union St. Watsonville) by 4:45 pm. We are done by 5:45 pm. Parking is available in the back of the building.

Weekly Wednesday Bible Study

Resumes Wednesday, January 22 at 3 pm

Every Wednesday from 3 pm – 4 pm, St. Stephen's room

We are studying the Gospel of Luke led by Pastor John.

Bring your Bible. Don't have one? We'll provide you.

All are welcome!

Calendar for the Week

Sun., Jan. 12	10:00 am	Baptism of the Lord Sunday Guest Preacher: Rev. Clyde Vaughn
	11:10 am	Coffee Hour, Social Hall
Wed., Jan. 15		NO Wed. Bible Study
Sun., Jan. 19	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:10 am	Coffee Hour, Social Hall

*Pastor John is away on retreat Jan. 9th – 12th and will return to office on Jan. 14.

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