

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of SAN DIEGO

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FIRST CHURCH IS A COMMUNITY THAT IS GROWING IN GRACE AND REACHING OUT WITH LOVE.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

With joy we welcome your presence today, wherever you are. Please join us as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship together.

Register Your Attendance

Welcome

Words of Inspiration

"Love is not patronizing and charity isn't about pity, it is about love. Charity and love are the same—with charity you give love, so don't just give money but reach out your hand instead." ~ Mother Teresa

arr. Philip Gehring (1925-2020)

God has turned our doubt into courage!

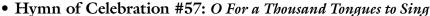
God has brought to us people in need and the power to help.

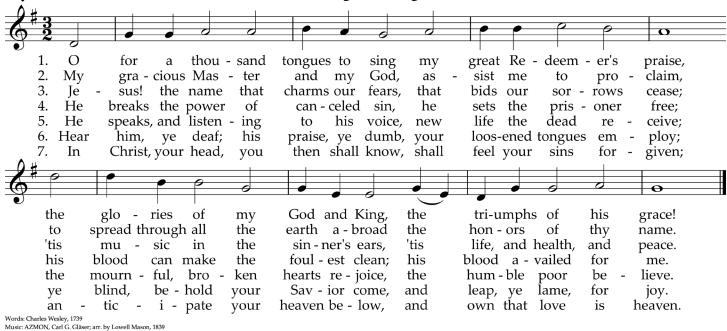
Let our whole being—body, mind and soul—sing praises to God and the Risen Christ.

O God, our Christ, we will give thanks to You forever!



TO OFFER OUR PRAISE AND PRAYERS





The Lord's Prayer

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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.

Healing at the Fountain

Penny Rodriguez

There is healing at the fountain, Come and find it, weary soul. There your sins may all be covered; Jesus waits to make you whole.

There is healing at the fountain, Look to Jesus now and live, At the cross lay down your burden; All your wandrings He'll forgive.

Oh, the fountain, healing fountain, Come and find it, weary soul. There your sins may all be covered; Jesus waits to make you whole. There is healing at the fountain, Come and plunge beneath its flood. Come, oh come, the Savior calls you, Ev'ry hurt He's understood.

Oh, the fountain, healing fountain! I'm so glad it's flowing free; Oh, the fountain, precious fountain, Praise the Lord. It cleanses me. (Fanny Crosby)

TO HEAR THE WORD

Balm in Gilead

arr. Thomas Pavlechko (b. 1962)

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole; there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin sick soul.

If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul, you can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all."

Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work's in vain, then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.

Don't ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend; and if you lack for knowledge he'll ne'er refuse to lend. (Traditional)

Prayer for Illumination

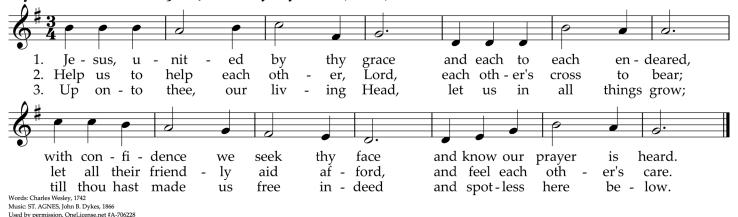
Holy God,

In the reading of the scriptures, may Your Word be heard. In the meditations of our hearts, may Your Word be known. In the faithfulness of our lives, may Your Word be shown. Amen.

New Testament Lesson: Acts 3:1-11

The word of God for the People of God: thanks be to God.

• Hymn of Faith #561: Jesus, United by Thy Grace (vs. 1-3)



TO RENEW COMMITMENT

Faith in Action

Offertory

Canon in C Major

Robert Schumann (1810-1856)

• Doxology (Hymnal #94)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Priase the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Aleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

• Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you: and also with you.

Let us pray.

God of the Resurrection

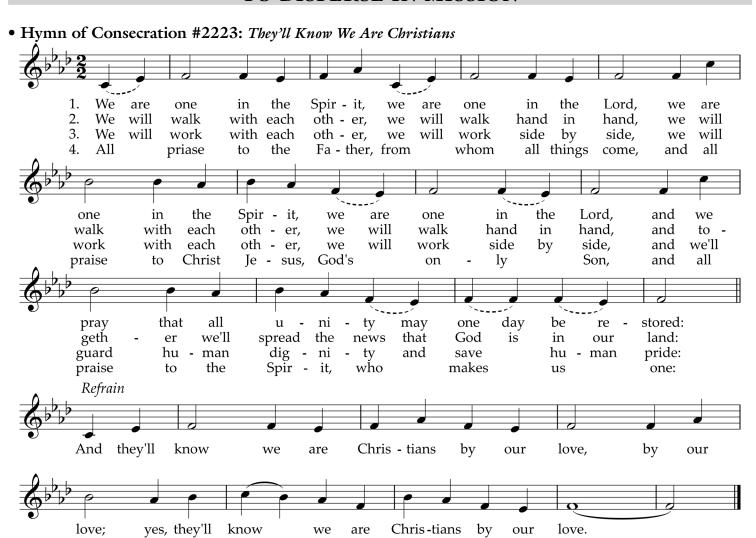
In this hour, we have been present to You, feeling the depth of Your love;

We have accepted one another in hope, faith and trust.

On this day and every day, You offer us life.

By Your grace, we accept and give You thanks. Amen.

TO DISPERSE IN MISSION



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Postlude

Fanfare-Toccata on "Azmon"

Jaebon Hwang (b. 1982)

*Please remain seated so as to enjoy the Postlude.