

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH $\it of$ SAN DIEGO

JUNE 15, 2025 - 9:00 AM



First Church is a community growing in grace and reaching out with love.

TRINITY SUNDAY

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

"It is the province of knowledge to speak, and it is the privilege of wisdom to listen." ~ Oliver Wendell Holmes, Sr.

Vesper Processional

Harvey Bartlett Gaul (1881-1945)

Worship Guide Notes: • is an invitation to rise in body or spirit; bold words indicate congregational response



Assistive listening and transcription available in First Church Sanctuary. See pew card or usher to connect to Listen EVERYWHERE or Epiphan LiveScrypt. • Call to Worship Todd Vollstedt, Liturgist

The Holy Spirit moves among us. Gentle as breath, bold as fire, guiding us toward what is just and true.

For there is still more light, more justice, more truth yet to be revealed.

The Spirit of Truth is persistent. Not always loud, but never absent.

Speaking in sacred whispers, calling us to courage, compassion, and conscience.

The Spirit offers wisdom not on our timeline, but in divine timing, just when we are ready to receive it.

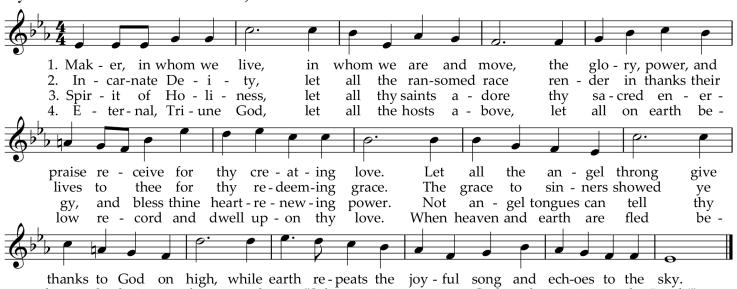
In both clarity and confusion, in action and stillness, the Spirit remains our faithful guide.

Holy Wisdom is here; present, patient, and always leading us toward the good, the just, and the holy.

Still-Speaking God, open our hearts to hear Your quiet voice. Shape our lives with Your truth, that we may walk in the light of Your love.

TO OFFER OUR PRAISE AND PRAYERS

• Hymn of Celebration #88: Maker, in Whom We Live



thanks to God on high, while earth re-peats the joy-ful song and ech-oes to the sky. heaven-ly choirs pro-claim, and cry, "Sal - va - tion to our God, sal - va-tion to the Lamb!" love's ec-stat - ic height, the glo-rious joy un-speak - a - ble, the be - a - tif - ic sight. fore thy glo-rious face, sing all the saints thy love hath made thine ev-er-last ing praise.

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The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Profession of Faith by Parents

Congregational Pledge

The pastor addresses the congregation, and the congregation responds:

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include this person now before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround this person with a community of love and forgiveness, that she may grow in her service to others. We will pray for her, that she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

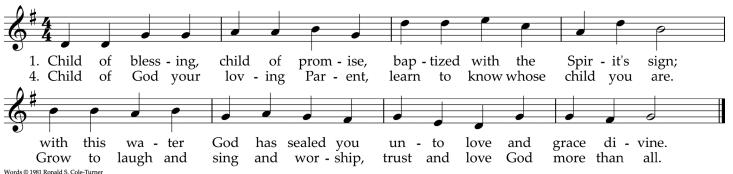
Baptism of Cali

Congregational Welcome & Affirmation

When the candidate has been baptized, the pastor invites the congregation to welcome them:

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sister in Christ. Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as a members of the family of Christ.

Response #611: Child of Blessing, Child of Promise (vs. 1, 4)



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Recognition of 2025 Graduates

TO HEAR THE WORD

Speak, O Lord

arr. Mary McDonald (b. 1956)

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To receive the food of Your holy Word; Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in Your likeness, That the light of Christ might be seen today In our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us All Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, Holy reverence, true humility; Test our thoughts and our attitudes In the radiance of Your purity. Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority. Words of pow'r that can never fail, Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time That will echo down through eternity. And by grace, we'll stand on Your promises, And by faith, we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glory!

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To receive the food of Your holy Word. (Keith Getty, Stuart Townsend)

Prayer for Illumination

Holy God,

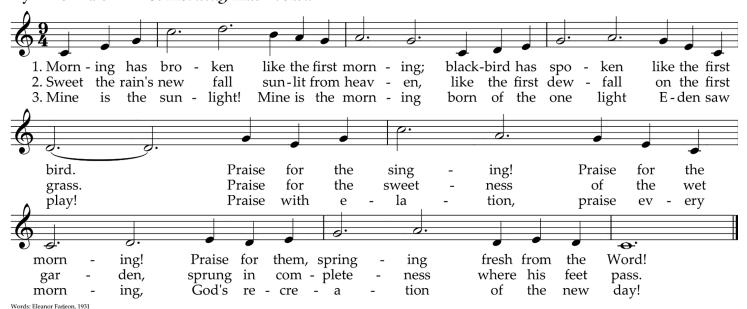
In the reading of the scriptures, may Your Word be heard. In the meditations of our hearts, may Your Word be known. In the faithfulness of our lives, may Your Word be shown. Amen.

• Gospel Lesson: John 16:12-15

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The Word of God for the People of God: Thanks be to God.

• Hymn of Faith #145: Morning Has Broken



TO RENEW COMMITMENT

Faith in Action



Chorale Prelude on "Faithfulness"

arr. Christa Rakich (b. 1952)

Doxology

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! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

• Prayer of Thanksgiving

God of whispers and wisdom,

we thank you for speaking to our hearts at just the right time.

As we offer what we have and who we are,

open our hearts to Your Spirit's gentle guidance.

May these gifts be used to amplify Your love,

pursue justice, and bring hope where it is most needed.

Shape us into people who not only hear Your truth

but live it with courage and compassion. Amen.

TO DISPERSE IN MISSION

• Hymn of Consecration #140: Great Is Thy Faithfulness



- 1. Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther; there is no shad-ow of turn-ing with thee;
- 2. Sum mer and win-ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and stars in their cours- es a bove
- 3. Par don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, thine own dear pres-ence to cheer and to guide;



thou chang-est not, thy com-pas-sions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be. join with all na-ture in man - i - fold wit-ness to thy great faith - ful-ness, mer - cy, and love. strength for to-day and bright hope for to-mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!



Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by morn-ing new mer-cies I see;



all I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid-ed; great is thy faith - ful-ness, Lord, un - to me!

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Postlude

VBS 2025 Sundays: July 13, 20, 27 & Aug 3 | 12-3 PM



Calling all kids ages 4 - 11!

Explore new places, discover how to live out God's love in your life, and feel God's presence wherever you go. Enjoy music, crafts, games, and more!



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We also need volunteers! Sign up to help:

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FUMCSD Prayers & Squares is turning 20!

Let's celebrate the blessings of this creative prayer ministry.



If you have received a prayer quilt from FUMCSD Prayers & Squares in the last 20 years, bring it with you to church on Sunday, June 22!



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