



St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

Welcome Home



Order of Worship

September 18, 2022

Prelude

Kevin Su Fukagawa

Welcome

Ryan Blanck

*Call to Worship

The Lord be with you

And also with you

The Lord be praised for God's faithfulness

The Lord be praised for blessing us with wealth

The Lord be first in your lives.

The Lord be first in your life as well!

Pam Pond

*Opening Prayer

Lord Our God,

We know that this life challenges us each day.

We are called to a life of purpose.

We are designed to use what you have given us

To serve of our faith, our family, and our community.

Let us make all we can, save all we can.

Let us give all we can as people of faith.

Amen!

*Opening Hymn "Come Ye Thankful People Come"

Hymnal #694

Verse 1

Come ye thankful people come

Raise the song of harvest-home

All is safely gathered in

Ere the winter storms begin

God our Maker doth provide

For our wants to be supplied

Come to God's own temple come

Raise the song of harvest-home

Verse 2

All the world is God's own field

Fruit unto His praise to yield

Wheat and tares together sown

Unto joy or sorrow grown

First the blade and then the ear

Then the full corn shall appear

Lord of harvest grant that we

Wholesome grain and pure may be

Verse 3

Even so Lord quickly come

To Thy final harvest-home

Gather Thou Thy people in

Free from sorrow free from sin

There forever purified

In Thy presence to abide

Come with all Thine angels come

Raise the glorious harvest-home

Ministry Message: Quilting Ministry

Linda Domes



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Children's Message with Barbara Karplus

Scripture Luke 16: 1-15

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1 Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. 2 So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' 3 Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. 4 I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' 5 So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' 6 He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' 7 Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' 8 And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. 9 And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. 10 "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. 11 If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? 12 And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? 13 No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Stewardship Testimony

Allison King

Anthem Choir "Jesus Paid It All"

Directed by Kevin Su Fukagawa

Sermon "Have Mercy on Me"

Pastor Jim Powell

Moving into a Spirit of Prayer

Covenant Prayers for Cal-Pac Churches

Ryan Blanck

Westlake Village UMC and Woodland Hills UMC

Pastoral Prayers

CONTINUED PRAYERS

HEALING & RECOVERY

Scott, a loss in income

Thomas success and recovery from a Liver transplant (Meier, friend of the Ford family)

Dan recovery from triple bypass surgery (friend of the Holzers)

Heather recovery and success from colon cancer surgery (Marian Elliott's daughter)

Marty recovery from gallbladder surgery (Friend of Kathy Holzer)

Amber recovering from a lightning strike (Escudero-Konostathis)

Pat successful PT after ankle surgery (Granning)

A Grandma with a stroke (Metzgus family, Madelynn & Nikki)



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Carolyn & Hanna (Sylvester)

Tom recovery from a bike accident (Wendy K's daughter-in-law's brother)

Valledares family member institutionalized with Anorexia (Taty's Granddaughter)

CANCER TREATMENT

Heather (Marion E's Daughter), Debbie, JoAnn Y, Joshua (Leslie's son), Ruby (cousin of Emmie), Ariel (friend of Pam M), Pat (Dan O's family), Dick, Romana, Bob and Gonzalo (friends of McEachern's), Toni, Sylvia (friend of Pam P), Stephnia, Brandon, Lynne (Friends of Casey), Joey (Friend of Taty) and Melissa (Pastor Bob & Beth Ferguson's D-I-L)

IN HOSPICE CARE

A mom with terminal cancer (Metzqus family, Madelynn & Nikki)

John (Thompson, friend of Roger Tripp)

Carole's mother (Tripp)

Richard's mother (Overton)

The Lord's Prayer

Moving Beyond a Spirit of Prayer

Invitation to Give our Blessings back to God

Offertory

Linda Domes

Kevin Su Fukagawa

***Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"**

*Blessing of our Gifts and Tithes

Hymnal #95

***Closing Hymn "Be Thou My Vision"**

Hymnal #451

Verse 1

**Be Thou my Vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light**

Verse 2

**Be Thou my Wisdom and Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one**

Verse 3

**High King of heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my Vision O Ruler of all**

*Benediction

Pastor Jim Powell

Postlude

Kevin Su Fukagawa



Ministry & Life of the Church Announcements

Tuesdays - Conejo Connect 5:30pm at UMC Thousand Oaks for September

Wednesdays - Men's Study at 11am in the Fireside Room

Wednesdays - Choir 6:30pm in the Sanctuary

Thursdays - Women's Study 11am with Tina Martin at her home

"Book of Hope: A survival Guide for trying times" by Jane Goodall and Douglas Abrams

9/24 & 25 – Quilt & Craft Sale to support Wheels for the World ministry

10/1 – Women's Retreat \$40 includes 2 meals on Saturday, potluck kick-off on 9/30

10/9 - Vitalent Blood Drive

Happy September Birthdays

9-16 Sharon Brown, Casey Goldberg, 9-18 Kent Detweiler,

9-19 Ida Board, 9-20 Cecilia Rietz, Samantha Ferguson

Thank you

Ryan, Pam, Barbara & Alli for leading us in worship

Pastor Jim Powell for the Sermon Message

Kevin Su Fukagawa and The St. Matthew's Choir for our music

Fellowship today is provided by Tanya Inouye



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