



St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

Welcome Home

Order of Worship

Thanksgiving Sunday

November 19, 2023

Prelude

Kevin Su Fukagawa

Welcome

Jack Doman

*Call to Worship

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Have you come to worship with grateful hearts?

We desire to enter this place with grateful hearts.

Have you come to give thanks for all of God's provision?

We have come to give thanks to God!

Emma Blanck

*Opening Prayer

O Lord of All,

So many have come before us with great sacrifices,

Servants who have given their lives to assure that we can worship you today.

We know that we fall short in so many ways. Yet, your grace abounds.

We give thanks for providing this space to lift your name.

In Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BOLD= invites participation

***** = Please Stand

*Opening Hymn "Trust and Obey"

Hymnal #467v1-3

Verse 1

When we walk with the Lord

In the light of His Word

What a glory He sheds on our way

While we do His good will

He abides with us still

And with all who will trust and obey

Verse 2

But we never can prove

The delights of His love

Until all on the altar we lay

For the favor He shows

And the joy He bestows

Are for those who will trust and obey

(Chorus)

Chorus

Trust and obey

For there's no other way

To be happy in Jesus

But to trust and obey

Verse 3

Then in fellowship sweet

We will sit at His feet

Or we'll walk by His side in the way

What He says we will do

Where He sends we will go

Never fear only trust and obey

(Chorus)

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Ministry Message: Advent Study Message: Shadow and Light

Pastor Jim Powell

Children's Message

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Scripture Matthew 25: 14-30

Emma Blanck

14 "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; 15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. 16 The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them and made five more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. 18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. 20 Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' 26 But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29 For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Anthem "Gratitude"

guest, Leslie Ann Hernandez

Sermon "Investing For the Future"

Pastor Jim Powell

Moving into a Spirit of Prayer

Covenant Prayers for Cal-Pac Churches

Moorpark UMC and Grace Korean UMC, Glendale

Pastoral Prayers

NEW REQUESTS

PRAISE for good test results (Judi Abraham)

Kevin looking for a job (Dyer)

Landon diagnosed with Thyroid Cancer (Judi Abraham's grandson-in-law))

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CONTINUE TO PRAY

HEALING & RECOVERY

Nancy's s-i-l paralyzed from COVID

Michael healing after an injury to his leg (Wendy Kaszycki's son)

Shawn with multiple injuries and in a coma after an accident (Judy Abraham's neighbor)

Dr. Ponio treatment for pancreatic cancer (Emmie St. Ledger)

Greg recovery from heart surgery (Chamberlin's Son-in-law)

Mike with Parkinson's and needing a board & care home, wife Pat (The McEachern's)

Chelsea struggling with postpartum migraines and leg numbness

Doug working through tests for prostate cancer (Roger Tripp)

Reuben declining from ALS and wife Karen (Bouvet, Joyce Wheatly)

Pat with continued problems after healing from a broken leg (Graning)

CANCER TREATMENT

Kathy (Warner), Kathleen (Tanya I), John, Jennifer (Dr. Bob R), Kerry (Chuck & Cheryl Q), Joann (Judy S), Terry (Suzanne F), Ariel, (Pam M), Georgia (Forbes), Bill (Debi D), Heather (Marion E), Debbie, Logan (Kathy H), Joshua (Leslie H), Ruby (Emmie S), Toni, Sylvia (Pam P), Frank, (Taty V) and Melissa (Pastor Bob & Beth F)

IN MOURNING

Marlene and family on the passing of her son Ed (Chamberlin family)

Wife Gloria & family of Richard Victor on his passing (Friends of Jim & Barbara Crowdis)

The Lord's Prayer

Moving Beyond a Spirit of Prayer

Invitation to Give our Blessings back to God

Offertory "Everlasting God"

guest soloist, Leslie Ann Hernandez

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

Hymnal #95

*Blessing of our Gifts and Tithes

***Closing Hymn "Come Ye Thankful People, Come"**

Hymnal #694v1-4

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

For the Lord our God shall come

And shall take His harvest home

From His field shall in that day

All offenses purge away

Give His angels charge at last

In the fire the tares to cast

But the fruitful ears to store

In His garner evermore

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Verse 4

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

*Benediction

Pastor Jim Powell

Ministry and Life of the Church Announcements

Due Today: Thanksgiving Meals for James Storehouse foster families
11/27 Finance Team Meeting 6:30pm
11/30 Charge Conference 6pm

Ongoing

Tuesdays - Pastor-led Study in the Wesley Room.
Wednesdays - Men's Study 11am in the Fireside Room
Thursdays - Women's Study 1pm Carol's House
Fridays - Women's Study Fridays 10am (WR)
1st Saturday of the Month - Men's Breakfast 8am at Denny's
2nd Saturday of the Month - Women's Breakfast, 12/9 potluck in the Sanctuary 8:30am with a Tea exchange

*Altar Flowers are provided by Donna Yanighara
Fellowship Today: Ed & Marcia Miyasaka
Birthdays to celebrate:
Today: Ed Miyasaka, Marilyn Matthews,
11-22 Cassidy King*

Postlude

Kevin Su Fukagawa

Thank you

Jack and Emma for leading us in worship,
Pastor Jim Powell for the Sermon Message,
Kevin Su Fukagawa, guest Leslie Ann Hernandez &
The St. Matthew's Choir for our music

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ACTION VC CHRISTMAS SHOPPE

The Shoppe serves needy Conejo Valley families who are invited to select gifts for their children **FOR FREE** on December 9th at Newbury Park First Christian Church from approximately 8 am—2 pm.

Volunteers assist by serving refreshments, providing childcare while parents shop, wrapping gifts, guiding clients through shoppe, and other tasks.

For further instructions, click on "Conejo Valley Shoppe" at www.actionvc.org/events/community-christmas-shoppe/ or scan QR code in picture below.

Bring the JOY of Christmas to a family in need

BRING TOYS AND VOLUNTEER AT COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS SHOPPE
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2022

TWO WAYS YOU MAY HELP:

1. Place new unwrapped gifts in the toy collection box in the narthex through December 3rd.
2. Sign up to volunteer for various tasks at the event. Instructions are on the Serve Table during worship service.

Contact Janice Kakazu if you have questions.

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