

August 23, 2020

Communion Sunday

9:45 AM

PRELUDE

John Douglas and Jeffrey Segal
God of Wonders
Arr. by Victor Labenske

Welcome by Pastor Mike

CALL TO WORSHIP

led by Paula & Chloe Pichon

One From the fragmented world of our everyday lives, we gather to re-discover wholeness and something greater than ourselves, the unifying Spirit of Christ.

Many: **We live, we learn and then we move on – becoming more of who we are created to be.**

One: We know and trust that no branch is utterly severed from the Tree of Life that sustains all. We are connected to each other, the Earth, and to Goddess.

Many: **We include, celebrate, honor and appreciate all who join our community of faith, hope and love.**

One: We quest and question, feel deeply and wonder greatly, pray diligently and protest passionately.

Many: **In this community we are joined together in visions and values, in trust and togetherness, and in mission and ministry.**

One: **In this spirit we gather this morning, in this spirit we sing, pray, meditate, laugh, cry, learn, act and become more fully human and divine.**

Prayer (unison): led by Paula and Chloe Pichon

Blessed One, as we enter into the life of Your spirit, teach our hearts to be psalms, singing forth praise. Teach our minds to be proverbs, shining forth spiritual wisdom. And teach our lives to be parables, showing forth Jesus' teachings in every gesture and deed. In the name of the Sage of Nazareth we pray, Amen.

OPENING SONG

Let the Walls Fall Down

CHILDREN & YOUTH MOMENT with Robbie Arevalos

MORNING PRAYERS

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Mike Holland

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

(Feel free to address God in the manner of your choosing:
Father, Mother, Creator, etc.)

Our God, 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

John Douglas and Jeffrey Segal
How Great Thou Art with How Great is the Lord
By Victor Labenske

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 22:14-19

When the hour came, Jesus took a place at the table, and the others also. ¹⁵Jesus said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to share this Passover with you before I suffer; ¹⁶for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.' ¹⁷Then taking a cup, and after giving thanks Jesus said, 'Take this and divide it among yourselves; ¹⁸for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.' ¹⁹Then taking a loaf of bread, and after given thanks, Jesus broke it and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do likewise in remembrance of me.'

A Principle of Progressive Christianity

Know that the way we behave towards one another, other people and the Earth is the fullest expression of what we believe.

MESSAGE

The Jesús Cafe

Pastor Mike Holland

COMMUNION SONG

Like a Healing Stream

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Sharing of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

***Centering Christ, through bread and cup
we are made one with You and with each other.***

***May the unity we find at this table
be a gift we offer our world.***

***May this meal empower us to make room
for all God's people. Amen.***

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

by Krista Owens

(Online giving is an option through churchofthefoothills.org)

(Or, mail in pledges and gifts to the church office.

Or, drop them in the mail slot at the church office. Thank You!)

BENEDICTION

Pastor Mike Holland

CONGREGATIONAL/CHORAL RESPONSE

Abba Teach Me

Abba teach me, day by day
Love's sweet lesson, to obey
Sweeter music, cannot be
Loving God who first loved me

Loving God who first loved me ... loved me

POSTLUDE

John Douglas and Jeffrey Segal

We Believe

By Graham Kendrick