



CARE OF CREATION - Storm Sunday

October 9, 2022

Welcome to worship this morning!

Bulletin Cues: **Bold** indicates congregational response, * indicates please stand, if able

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need
from Southern Harmony, 1815, arr. Mark Hayes

Judy and Mary Ellen

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Hildegard of Bingen, 13th Century)

We gather in the name of God:

Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of the Earth and all creatures!

Praise be to the Holy Trinity!

God is sound and life, Creator of the Universe, Source of all life,
to whom the angels sing;

**Wondrous Light of all mysteries known or unknown to humankind,
and life that lives in all.**

OPENING HYMN GTG 838

Standing on the Promises

vs. 1 and 2

**Standing on the promises of Christ my king,
through eternal ages let his praises ring;
glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
standing on the promises of God.**

**Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.**

**Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
by the living Word of God I shall prevail,
standing on the promises of God.**

**Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Trusting in God's tender mercy, let us confess our sin

**We confess we have tended to ourselves,
and not to the welfare of the place we have been sent.**

**Forgive our sin, heal our fear;
open our eyes, widen our gaze,
deepen our trust and strengthen our compassion,
in the Spirit and grace of Christ.**

Silence for reflection

God hears and sees; the One who commands the storm to cease stills the tumult of your heart and cleanses your soul.

In Jesus' name, you are forgiven.

Amen

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of love, by your grace, give us your eyes to look honestly on the world. Give us your compassion to love this broken world. Give us your heart to enter into this world with courage. Plant the mustard seed of your love in us that we may join you in the healing of the world. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 25:1-5

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 68:4-10, 32-35

Sing to God, sing praises to the Holy Name;
lift up a song to the One who rides upon the clouds,
Whose name is *I AM*. Exult in the strength of the Maker.

**Father of orphans and protector of widows;
God gives the desolate a home to live in
and leads out the prisoners to prosperity,
but the rebellious live in a parched land.**

O God, when you went out before your people,
when you marched through the wilderness,
the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain,
at your presence, you who ride upon the storm.

**Rain in abundance, O God, you showered abroad;
you restored your heritage when it languished;
your flock found a dwelling in it;
in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.**

life's wild, rest-less sea; day by day his sweet voice
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
 may we hear thy call, give our hearts to thy o -

sound - eth say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me."
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
 be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

**We believe in God, who creates all things,
 who embraces all things, who celebrates all things,
 who is present in every part of the fabric of creation.
 We believe in God as the source of all life,
 who baptizes this planet with living water.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one,
 the malnourished one, the climate refugee,
 who loves and cares for this world and who suffers with it.
 And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life,
 who came to reconcile and renew this world and everything in it.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God,
 who moves with God and who moves among and with us today.
 We believe in everlasting life in God.
 And we believe in the hope that one day
 God will put an end to death and all destructive forces.**

(Gurukul Theological college, India / adapted by Keld B. Hansen 2009)

JOYS AND CONCERNS/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, our Savior,
hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your beloved community of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.**

*This version of the Lord's Prayer is adapted from The New Zealand Book of Prayer
He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa, influenced by Maori theologians*

SENDING INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

*CLOSING HYMN 840

When Peace Like a River

vs. 1 and 4

The musical score is written for a four-part setting in 4/4 time, with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is primarily in the soprano voice, with accompaniment in the alto, tenor, and bass voices. The lyrics are:

1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the

sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the

taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well with my soul;
It is well with my soul;

it is well; it is well with my soul.

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

adapted from the CTBI Eco-Congregation Programme

May God who established the dance of creation,
Who marveled at the lilies of the field,
Who transforms chaos to order,
Lead us to transform our lives and the Church –
To listen to the voice of all creatures
As they reflect God's glory in creation. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

Some parts of this service were used by permission of Steve Garnaas-Holmes,
from his web resource, *Unfolding Light*.



Community Presbyterian Church

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TODAY AT CPC

Sunday, October 9

- 9:30 am Worship Onsite and Online
- 10:30 am Climate Change Forum
- 2:30 pm Building Usage: Labranza de Dios

THIS WEEK AT CPC

Monday, October 10

- 6:00 pm Building Usage: Med City Tai Chi

Tuesday, October 11

- 10:00 am PW Bible Study
- 12:00 pm Conference Call *
- 12:00 pm Bulletin Information Due
- 6:30 pm Building & Grounds Committee

Wednesday, October 12

- 6:30 am Prayer Group
- 6:00 pm Mission Committee
- 7:00 pm CPC Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 13

- 5:30 pm Building Usage: Labranza de Dios

Sunday, October 16

- 9:30 am Worship Onsite and Online
- 2:30 pm Building Usage: Labranza de Dios

Online Worship: Sundays 9:30 – 10:30am
<https://meet.google.com/vao-wjef-cbe>
+1 575-305-4527 PIN: 652 821 468 #

* **Tuesday's Conference Call**
<https://meet.google.com/kee-rcys-sdh>
+1 413-889-2244 PIN: 433 818 991#



Judy Leal
Jane and Ed Burgstaler family,
especially daughter Jenny
Connie Holst
MariLynn Johnson
Vera Atkinson's daughter, Teresa
Shannon Cisewski
Judy Robb's brother, Dan
Jennifer Hall

*To be added to the prayer list, please
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Serving in Worship Today

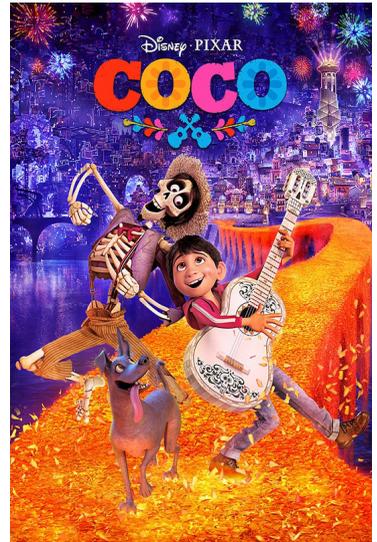
Liturgist	Peggy McCarty
Special Music	Judy Kereakos & Mary Ellen Malkasian
IT Support	Louis Bouchard

Family movie opportunity for Halloween weekend!

Come for free pizza at 6 pm, stay for the family-themed Halloween movie *Coco* starting at 6:30.

Would you cross a bridge that unknowingly leads to the Land of the Dead? Would you immediately go back to the Land of the Living? Would you try and meet your own idol? If all the answers are yes, then you need to see *Coco*. *Coco* is a remarkable heartwarming film about family, passion and an exploration of culture.

Please share the word and invite your friends. Sign-up is encouraged so that we can order pizza in advance.

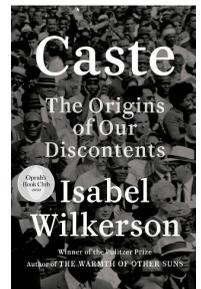


Gage East will be hosting a "trunk or treat" event from **4:00-5:30 pm** (note time change) Tuesday October 25th. We can volunteer to open our trunk to trick-or-treaters, or participate in some simple kid friendly activities like a ring toss game/other carnival style games, or just dress up and enjoy the company of the residents! Let Mark Neville or Pastor Jan know!

Book Discussion Group October 23, 10:45 am (following worship) *Caste* by Isabel Wilkerson

"*Caste*, by American journalist and Pulitzer Prize winner Isabel Wilkerson, is a book that exposes the struggles the United States has experienced due to the preservation of the constraints and legacy of slavery that still leaves its mark on our modern society."

All are welcome to join in the discussion!



Guest worship speaker, October 30: Melece Cheal Orme

Melece is a lifelong member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and an active member of the Rochester 4th Ward in the Rochester, Minnesota Stake, where she now serves as 2nd Counselor in the Young Women Presidency. Born and raised in Cache Valley in the Rocky Mountains, she attended Brigham Young University and earned bachelor's and master's degrees in music. She is also the mother of four children (the youngest attends Children's Place Nursery School), and a dedicated writer, currently working on a fantasy novel for young adults.

