

Order of Worship

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:30 am – August 21, 2022

Participating Live?

Text your prayer requests to 805-309-6867 before the end of the first hymn.

PRELUDE

Minuet
Lance Crane, organ

G.F. Handel

GREETING

HYMN

Now Thank We All Our God
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UMH 102

1. Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us still in grace, and guide us when perplexed;
And free us from all ills, in this world and the next.
3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given;
The Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven;
The one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Ron Harrington, liturgist

With great rejoicing, we come into the house of the Lord!
God is our refuge and our stronghold.
The power of the love of God flows through this gathering.
We place our whole trust in God's mighty compassion for us.
Come, let us worship the Lord!

Let us celebrate the presence of God, here in this place, and in all our lives!

(Based on Psalm 71: 1-6, © Nancy Townley)

TIME FOR CHILDREN / BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Pastor Matt

SPECIAL MUSIC

Back in School Again
CCLI / Streaming: 345977 / 20105371 / CCLI Song #3916904
Clara Johnson, voice; Lance Crane, piano; Tom Hundley, guitar

Mark & Helen Johnson

PRAYER OF BLESSING

Gracious God, we lift to you today, these students. We ask your blessing on each of them.

Further, we ask your blessing on these backpacks. As these students carry these backpacks, may they be reminded of the love and care of this congregation that surrounds them each school day. We pray as well for the teachers and administrators in our schools. May they also be sustained by your blessing. May they be reminded that this congregation embraces their call to teaching and learning and surrounds them with love and care as well. We pray in the name of Jesus who we seek to follow day by day. Amen.

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1. Lord, speak to me, that I may speak in living echoes of thy tone;
As thou hast sought, so let me seek thine erring children lost and lone.
2. O strengthen me, that while I stand firm on the rock, and strong in thee,
I may stretch out a loving hand to wrestlers with the troubled sea.
3. O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the precious things thou dost impart;
And wing my words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.
4. O fill me with thy fullness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflow
In kindling thought and glowing word thy love to tell, thy praise to show.
5. O use me, Lord, use even me, just as thou wilt, and when, and where,
Until thy blessed face I see, thy rest, thy joy, thy glory share.

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORDS 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

I Waited for the Lord
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F. Mendelssohn

Dianna Burdick & Clara Johnson, vocalists; Lance Crane, accompanist

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 1: 4-10; Luke 13: 10-17 (NRSV)

Ron Harrington, liturgist

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Pastor Matt McPhee

HYMN

All Things Bright and Beautiful (verse 4)
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All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful: the Lord God made them all.

4. God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful: the Lord God made them all.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Generous God, you have withheld no good gift from us, graciously pouring out your love, mercy, faithfulness, joy, and peace. Thank you for giving us all that truly matters. In humble gratitude we offer back the fruits of our labor, but more importantly, we offer you our hearts. For the sake of Christ we pray. Amen.

HYMN

My Life Is In You Lord
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My life is in you, Lord; my strength is in you, Lord; my hope is in you, Lord;
In you, it's in you.
My life is in you, Lord; my strength is in you, Lord; my hope is in you, Lord;
In you, it's in you.
I will praise you with all of my life, I will praise you with all of my strength;
With all of my life, with all of my strength.
All of my hope is in you.
My life is in you, Lord; my strength is in you, Lord; my hope is in you, Lord;
In you, it's in you.
My life is in you, Lord; my strength is in you, Lord; my hope is in you, Lord;
In you, it's in you, in you.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude on "Hyfrydol"
Lance Crane, organ

Healey Willan

Prayer Requests

Friendly Valley Community UMC—Pastor Stephen Meadors

Malibu UMC—Pastor Erin Stenberg

All those suffering from illness or grieving the loss of loved ones