Central United Methodist Church

3700 Pacific Avenue, Stockton, CA 95204

ORDER OF WORSHIP Sunday July 10, 2022 – 10:00am



GATHERING

PRELUDE Be Thou My Vision Monica Adams, Piano (Melody Bober)

GATHERING MOMENT Ric Campero

CALL TO WORSHIP Ric Campero

Leader: Lord, many of our brothers and sisters are groaning under heavy burdens of life.

People: Help us to bear those burdens together.

Leader: Lord, many good Christians pass by our neighbors without doing anything.

People: Help us to take time to do one small act of kindness each day. Leader: Lord, one good role model has transformed many communities.

People: Help us to be that one role model.

All: Together we will transform our community with one small act of kindness a day.

OPENING HYMN *Come, Thou Almighty King*UMH #61

Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing, help us to praise!

Father all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!

Come, thou incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend!

Come, and thy people bless, and give thy word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend!

Come, holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.

Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power!

To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence, evermore.

Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore!

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Emily Brienza-Larsen

PRAYER CARDS COLLECTED (10:00am)

MISSION & MINISTRIES MOMENT

Ric Campero

RITE OF FRIENDSHIP AND A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

Ric Campero

Today we would like to invite everyone to write their name, email address, and cell number on the form in the red book located in the pew rack. Your name "introduces" you to others seated near you. Please read the names of those near you and greet them at the end of the service. The red book should be passed back to the center aisle seat.

PASSING THE PEACE (Please remain seated and greet those around you.)

Ric Campero

All Sing: Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path (2x).

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE Amos 7:7-17 Ric Campero

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will spare them no longer; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' "

And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there, but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet nor a prophet's son, but I am a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

"Now therefore hear the word of the LORD. You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.' Therefore thus says the LORD: Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land."

HYMN Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

UMH #402

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart, Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart, Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart, Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart, Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

SCRIPTURE Colossians 1:1-14 Ric Campero

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, to the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

SCRIPTURE Luke 10:25-37 Pastor Sungho Lee

An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

SERMON "Go and Do Likewise!" Pastor Sungho Lee

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Ric Campero

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Sungho Lee

Our God 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 trepasses, 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.

THANKSGIVING

WORSHIP WITH TITHES & OFFERINGS

Ric Campero

OFFERTORY Here I am Lord

Monica Adams, Organ

(Mark Hayes)

DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Ric Campero

SENDING FORTH

CLOSING HYMN The Summons TFWS 2130

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name!
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

BENEDICTION Pastor Sungho Lee

POSTLUDERejoice, the Lord Is King
(arr. Anna Laura Page)

Monica Adams, Organ

FLOWERS

The altar flowers are given by Van-Ha To-Cowell in memory of her late husband's birthday on July 16—he would have been 67.

SERVING YOU TODAY

Rev. Sungho Lee
Ric Campero, Worship Leader
Monica Adams, Organist/Pianist
David Campero, Media
Emily Brienza-Larsen, Children's Moments
Cherie Hudson, Facilities Coordinator
Rupert Cooper, Audio

Meet and Greet Gatherings Begin this Week

During the rest of July and into August we are scheduling Meet and Greet gatherings in homes and a restaurant. These gatherings will give you the opportunity to visit with Pastor Sungho in a small group setting. If you have not signed up for one you can do it today by stopping by the Information Table in the lobby of the Knoles Building or in the Atrium. You may also email Alan Cook (acook@cumcstockton.org) to let him know which gathering you plan to attend.

Ed and Jeni Bonilla July 12—6.00pm 3733 Hatchers Circle

Alan and Dianne England July 21—7.00pm 127 W. Euclid

John and Elaine Bradbury
July 27—1.00pm lunch
New Yen Ching Restaurant in Lincoln Center

Becky Cameron July 13—7.00pm 851 W. Mendocino

Patricia Hatton
July 24—Time to be determined
6339 St. Andrews Place

Prayer and meditation keep us connected with God. At Central United Methodist Church, we believe in the strength of praying for each other and the needs of our community, nation, and world. This morning if you would like your prayer to be included in Prayers of the People, fill out a prayer request card and hand it to the usher when they collect the cards. Prayer cards are also given to the coordinator of our Prayer Chain after the worship service.

If you would like for one of the members of our Prayer Chain to pray for you, another person, a prayer of thanksgiving or joy, for our community, nation, and/or world, please call or email Shirley Law (209-952-0811, lawshirley123@outlook.com). Members of the Prayer Chain believe strongly in the daily power of prayer and are committed to the confidentiality of each prayer request.



Sunday in the Park

Sunday, July 17, is our next Sunday in the Park for families with young children. This hour-long activity is hosted by Jennifer and Julia Robles and is held from 11.00am—noon in the Central Methodist Nursery School playground. If you have young children and are looking to meet and visit with other families, join Jennifer and Julia in the CMNS playground. Children can play on the play equipment while parents visit with each other.

A Volunteer Opportunity Thursday, July 28

Central is scheduled to return to providing lunch for the entire Cleveland School staff the day before students return to the classroom. This longstanding tradition gives the staff an opportunity to break bread together and to have a few extra minutes to get their classrooms together. This year we are asking for \$20 donations to underwrite the cost of lasagna, tossed green salad, and French bread for 45 people. We also need cookie bakers and people to purchase strawberries, oranges, bananas, apples, and other fruit for dessert. Cookies and fruit must be delivered to the office on Wednesday, July 27.

If you would like to make a financial donation, make your check to CUMC and on the memo line write Cleveland School, or drop your \$20 bill in the offering plate in an envelope with your name and Cleveland School.