

# Central United Methodist Church

3700 Pacific Avenue, Stockton, CA 95204

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
Sunday, January 22, 2023 • 11:00am



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| <b>PRELUDE</b>                                | <i>I Want Jesus To Walk With Me</i><br>[Mary McDonald]  | Monica Adams<br>BM, Conservatory of Music, 1991 |
| <b>WELCOMING AND CONGREGATIONAL CENTERING</b> |   | Alan Cook<br>BA, College of the Pacific, 1977   |
| <b>CHORAL INTROIT</b>                         | <i>We have Come to Worship the Lord</i><br>[by Charles Yannerella]  | Chancel Choir                                   |
| <b>*CALL TO WORSHIP</b>                       |   | Susan Perez<br>BM, Conservatory of Music, 2022  |
| L:  | On this Sabbath morning<br>In this Sanctuary made sacred<br>By Bread, Cup and Baptism<br>The Holy One meets us here and calls us...                     |   |
| <b>P:</b>                                     | <b>To pull down structures that prevent access to quality education, food and shelter.</b>  |   |
| L:  | In this Sanctuary made sacred<br>By prayers of peace<br>Pleas for pardon<br>And petitions for healing<br>The Holy One meets us here and calls us...     |   |
| <b>P:</b>                                     | <b>To overthrow political and religious systems that divide the world and promote extremism.</b>  |   |
| L:  | In this Sanctuary made sacred<br>By prayers of gratitude<br>Pleas for pardon<br>And petitions for healing<br>The Holy One meets us here and calls us... |   |
| <b>P:</b>                                     | <b>To build communities of peace with justice and plant seeds of compassion and hope.</b>   |   |

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

*Praise the Source of Faith and Learning*

[Words: Thomas H. Troeger Music: Rowland H. Prichard Tune: Hyfrydol]

***Praise the source of faith and learning who has sparked and stoked the mind  
with a passion for discerning how the world has been designed.***

***Let the sense of wonder flowing from wonders we survey  
keep our faith forever growing and renew our need to pray.***

***God of wisdom, we acknowledge that our science and our art  
and the breadth of human knowledge only partial truth impart.***

***Far beyond our calculation lies a depth we cannot sound  
where your purpose for creation and the pulse of life are found.***

***May our faith redeem the blunder of believing that our thought  
has displaced the grounds for wonder which the ancient prophets taught.***

***May our learning curb the error which unthinking faith can breed  
lest we justify some terror with an antiquated creed.***

***As two currents in a river fight each other's undertow,  
till converging they deliver one coherent steady flow.***

***May we blend our faith and learning till they carve a single course,  
And our seeking and our yearning join in praising you their source.***

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

Anne Swehla Garcia  
BA, School of Education, 1989

**PRAYER CARDS COLLECTED**

**\*PEACE**

L : The love and peace of Christ be with you!

**P: And also with you!**

L: I invite you to pass this love and peace to one another by crossing your arms across your chest, indicating love, and then opening them with the common two-finger sign for peace, (remembering to send some of that love and peace to those worshipping on-line).

**ANTHEM**

*And The Father Will Dance*  
[arr. Mark Hayes]

Chancel Choir

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Psalm 82:3-4  
Zechariah 7:9  
John 14:27  
Colossians 3:12-14

Julie Campero  
BM, Conservatory of Music, 1979

**WORDS OF INTRODUCTION**

Dianne England  
BM, Conservatory of Music ,1971

**LECTURE**

**“Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s sacred work:  
Our guide for equity, inclusion, and justice”**

Dr. Mary J. Lomax-Ghirarduzzi  
Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion & Professor of Communication  
University of the Pacific

*Surely the Presence of the Lord*  
***Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;***  
***I can feel his mighty power and his grace.***  
***I can hear the brush of angels' wings,***  
***I see glory on each face;***  
***Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.***

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lester Low

Let us knit our hearts in prayer, saying:  
Source of Mercy, hear our prayer.

Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry  
Doctor of Dental Surgery, 1986

For the Church throughout the world.  
For the United Methodist Church,  
May we renew our faith and strengthen our witness.  
**Source of Mercy, hear our prayer.**

For Institutions of Higher Education,  
For the University of the Pacific,  
May they continue to prepare individuals for lasting achievement  
And responsible leadership in their careers and communities.  
**Source of Mercy, hear our prayer.**

For the governments of the world and its leaders,  
That they may resist the corruption of sin  
And serve the common good.  
**Source of Mercy, hear our prayer.**  
For our planet Earth,  
That all people may be good stewards of its resources  
And share in its abundance.  
**Source of Mercy, hear our prayer.**

For the poor and the stranger,  
That they may receive a place of refuge and hope  
And that the church may offer hospitality.  
**Source of Mercy, hear our prayer.**

For the sick and those in distress,  
That they may find healing for their pain  
And be restored to fullness of life.  
**Source of Mercy, hear our prayer.**

For our neighbors,  
That we may live together in peace  
And share in our resources.  
**Source of Mercy, hear our prayer.**

For our enemies  
That they may receive good things,  
And that we, your servants, not return evil for evil.  
**Source of Mercy, hear our prayer**

For the concerns and joys of our community....

**Source of Mercy, hear our prayer.**

Source of Mercy, receive these prayers

In the name of the One who comes in your power

And proclaims your Reign among us.

**Amen.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Rev. Dr. Sungho Lee

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (All are invited to pray in their first language)

**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.**

**WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS**

Judy Avila  
BA, College of the Pacific, 1983

**OFFERTORY**

*There Is A Balm In Gilead*  
[arr. Mark Hayes]

Monica Adams  
Ric Campero, Tenor

**\*RESPONSE**

Doxology  
[Words: Thomas Ken, 1674 Music: Attr. To Louis Boureois, 1551]

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

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Judy Avila

**CLOSING SONG**

*Pacific Hail*  
[by Lois Warner Winston]  
***From o'er the rugged mountains standing high;  
From out the broad low valleys 'neath the sky;  
Our alma mater calls, We cannot fail,  
Our voices blend in praise, Pacific Hail! Pacific Hail!***

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Voluntary on Hymn to Joy with Voluntary IX*  
[by John Stanley (Michael Burkhardt)]

Monica Adams

***The flowers are on the Altar are to celebrate the historical connection of the University of the Pacific and Central United Methodist Church.***

## ADDITIONAL UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC GRADUATES SERVING YOU TODAY

**Ric Campero**, Choir Director, BM, Conservatory of Music, 1979  
**Mark Wharff**, Livestream, BA, College of the Pacific, 1976  
**Miles Anderson**, Usher/Greeter, BA, College of the Pacific, 1970  
**Kathy Parker**, Usher/Greeter, BA, College of the Pacific, 1978  
**Signe Holly**, Usher/Greeter, BA, University College, 1987  
**Richard Edelstein**, Reception Chair, BA, College of Pacific, 1970

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Rev. Dr. Sungho Lee  
David Campero, Media  
Cheri Hudson, Facilities Coordinator  
Rupert Cooper, Audio

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*Following the service, you are invited to gather in the fellowship hall and enjoy refreshments prepared by graduates of the University of the Pacific.*

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### **WORSHIP SERVICE WITH SNAP JACKSON**

Snap Jackson & The Knock On Wood Players will be performing at our 11.00am worship service next Sunday, January 29. Snap Jackson, Brian Clark, and Shane Kalbach are no strangers to our church community. They have performed for years for our Chili Cook-Off, and in recent years have performed during the 11.00am service. These musicians effortlessly blend Americana, bluegrass, soul, and old time music. It is obvious from the moment they start to play that they are ready to have a good time. The trio will begin playing at 10.55am and at different times throughout the service. They are truly part of us as both of Snap's sons have attended Central Methodist Nursery School.

### **CHILI COOKS NEEDED**

Do you know someone who makes a great chili? Invite them to enter. The top vote getter in each category will receive a **\$50 cash prize, plus bragging rights for a year!** Register in advance by picking up an application at the Chili Cook-Off table today.

Bring a crockpot or slower cooker containing your favorite chili recipe to the Fellowship Hall kitchen Sunday, January 29, no later than 10.30am to enter in one of the three categories:

- Young Chefs (Contestants under age 18)
- Classic (meat & beans)
- Veggie (Vegetarian chili)

Also bring a serving utensil and the recipe or ingredients for our friends with allergies.

### **CELEBRATE THE WINTER IN THE BEST WAY: WITH CHILI, MUSIC, AND FUN!**

The members of the United Methodist Youth Fellowship and the Chancel Choir are beyond excited for the in-person Chili Cook-Off to return to the Central campus **Sunday, January 29**, at noon in the Fellowship Hall.

Yes, and Snap Jackson & the Knock on Wood Players will be performing! This event has become one of the biggest "FUN"draisers for these two organizations.

Tickets to the Chili Cook-Off are on sale today. They are \$10 (children 12 and under are free). Everyone who purchases a ticket gets to participate in judging the chili entries. A limited number of tickets will be available the day of the event. Tickets sold at the door will be \$15. If you purchase six tickets you will receive two free tickets, and a table of eight will be reserved for you. Besides chili there will be a baked potato bar. During the Cook-Off guests will have the opportunity to bid on cakes and several special gift baskets.

The funds raised during this event will be divided equally between the Putnam Musical Enrichment Fund and Summer Youth Experiences.

### **FAMILY PROMISE OF SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY**

Central will host 4 families the week of February 19-February 26. This is the largest group we will serve. Lots of help is needed. Sign-up sheets will be available beginning Sunday, January 29 after the 11:00am worship service.

Volunteers are needed to help set up and clean up, cook meals, play games, stay overnight, and help with breakfast. Since this is a much larger group, we also need more sheets and blankets, toiletry items, wash cloths and hand towels, and food items. Note cards with specific items will be posted on a rolling board in the Atrium. Please take a card and help support this mission project. If you don't shop or like to shop, money donations are always welcome. Thank you for making this project a success. Any questions, please contact Glenda Schubert (209-479-6184) or Connie Edgecomb (209-639-9359).

### **ATTENTION ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS & COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

#### **NEW DATE! SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2023**

The Leadership Summit has been rescheduled to February 5 following the 11:00am service in the Fellowship Hall. All are invited to attend! Pastor Lee will share his vision and plan for ministry in 2023.

Our 13 Committee Chairs (Adult Education, CMNS Advisory Board, Columbarium, Education, Finance, Flower, Godly Play, Lay Leadership Development, Membership, Mission, Reconciling, Staff-Parish Relations, Trustees, and Worship) will speak to their visions and plans for 2023 as well as discussions about budgets and long-term goals. We hope you can join us!

### **ROTARY READ-IN**

**February 23, 2023!** This year Central has been asked to provide readers to the kindergarten-3<sup>rd</sup> grade classrooms at Cleveland and Madison schools. Each reader is asked to read one or two books to one or two classrooms. The books are then donated to the classrooms for the students to enjoy. It is a wonderful program and lots of fun too. Please consider joining us...the more the merrier! Sign-Up sheets are available at the Opportunities Table after church.

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### **THE RUMMAGE SALE RETURNS!**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**, Friday, March 3, and Saturday, March 4, are the chosen dates for our All-Church Rummage Sale hosted by the United Methodist Women. Donate kitchen items, furniture, lamps, power tools, nearly new and vintage items, plants, clothing, books, jewelry, toys, games, puzzles, seasonal items.

### **GODLY PLAY TEAM: LOOKING FOR TEAM MEMBERS**

The Godly Play Team is looking for 2 Story Tellers and 4 Door Person's. There is training for both of these roles, and the level of commitment is flexible; however, preferred to be once a month.

Our small team needs to grow as more children are coming back and joining our church. It is an exciting time to be part of Godly Play.

In order to keep our children supported and safe we need a Story Teller and Door Person for each classroom. We can't do this without you! Please consider the following:

**Story Teller:** Tells the story for the day. There are Godly Play books that lay out the entire story and there are props for each story. Story Telling is a fun way to tell a small group of children about the stories in the Bible.

**Door Person:** Greets the children at the door, supports the story teller while they are telling the story, helps the children get out their artwork, and greets parents at the door when it is time to leave.

**Call/Text/Email Andrea Moccia for more information!** 209-406-9669, [Moccia.andi@gmail.com](mailto:Moccia.andi@gmail.com)

### **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Consider being part of the Education Committee. This Committee meets once a month via Zoom. The Education Committee encompasses both children and adult education.

Do you have a passion that you feel others would benefit from? Financial Literacy? World Affairs? Local Concerns Safety Plans in an Emergency? Learning/Teaching about Compassion, Dealing with Anxiety, or Time Management Bonus if you know about Messy Church!!!

There is so much that we can bring to our congregation that would also benefit our local communities. Interested please **Call/Text/Email Andrea Moccia for more information!** 209-406-9669, [Moccia.andi@gmail.com](mailto:Moccia.andi@gmail.com)