

Plan to attend the November 26 Holiday Boutique!

A great variety of hand-crafted items will be offered at very reasonable prices, and will make great gifts for the holidays. We have over 20 outside vendors to date, plus church booths that include baked goods, holiday plants, and Sheila's famous jams. Please publicize the sale and encourage your family, friends, and neighbors to attend.

Articles for the December 2022/January 2023 Tide are due.

Please email your information to the office.

Thanks Today to:

Our **Liturgist:** Sheila Vaughn

Our **Ushers:** Peggy Kaysen, Jenna and Miles Wafford

Our **Tech Team:** Carolyn Collins, Roger Swenson

Our **Altar Flowers:** Given by Debbie and Marty Mason

Our **Coffee Volunteers:** Debbie and Marty Mason

Special thanks to the **Aptos UMC Men's Quartet** (*Bill Fennell, Dick Wood, Daniel Goldsmith, Gabe House*) for our Special Music today!

This Week:

Monday, 11/21: PACT 10 AM

Tuesday, 11/22: Alive Now 10 AM

Wednesday, 11/23: Upper Room Group 7 PM

Thursday, 11/24: Happy Thanksgiving - Office Closed

Friday, 11/25: Scott Group **cancelled**

Saturday, 11/26: **Holiday Boutique 9 AM - 3 PM**

Sunday, 11/27: **First Sunday of Advent, United Methodist Student Day**, Worship 10 AM, Blaney Group 11:15 AM

Online giving is available. Go to aptosumc.org and click on the 'GIVE NOW' button, or scan this code using your smartphone:

Creating an account online is not necessary unless you would like to set up a recurring payment or if you would like to save your payment information for future contributions.



~ In Our Prayers This Week ~

Amy and Greg Sousa on the death of Amy's mother, Lillian Loomis, on November 2.

*You are invited to join our **Prayer Team**.*

The Prayer Team receives a weekly email with prayer requests.

To **join** the Prayer Team or **submit** a prayer request, contact the church office.

APTOS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 20, 2022 ~ 10 AM Worship

Reign of Christ

Aptos UMC is an inclusive community that welcomes and encourages full participation of ALL PERSONS, regardless of race, culture, age, economic circumstance, sexual orientation, gender identity, or physical/mental abilities. We affirm our denomination's motto, "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"



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Order of Worship

Gathering Music

Call to Worship

It is done.

God has always been in charge—yesterday and today.

Even when things seem out of control, God’s reign is on its way.

Let us prepare the way for God.

Prelude

Announcements

Passing of the Peace

Opening Hymn #2075

“King of Kings”

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, expand our thankful imaginations: to time beyond our time, to wisdom beyond our wisdom, and to strength beyond our strength. As we pray for your coming reign, remind us that the whole earth is already yours. Even as we pray for things not yet seen, help us celebrate your sure, eternal reign. Amen.

Special Music

“Hold On to the Rock”

Men’s Quartet
Pepper Choplin

Children’s Time

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read, and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture

Luke 23:33-43

Sermon

“Scoffers on a Hill”

Pastor Gabe

Hymn #176

“Majesty, Worship His Majesty”

Concerns and Prayers

Confession and Pardon

Merciful God, imagining your reign can be challenging. It is difficult to picture a world governed by your justice and righteousness alone. Our minds are held captive by the worst images of human kings, rulers, and powers. When nobler visions fail and we settle for kingdoms of our own making, correct and forgive us. Free the borders of our imaginations, that we may envision your greater good and celebrate the coming of your reign on earth as in heaven. Amen.

Offering

Doxology #94 **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

Prayer of Dedication

The Lord’s Prayer

Closing Hymn #310

“He Lives”

Benediction

Postlude

Luke 23:33-43

³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." ⁴³ He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."