

Worship Assistant signups (usher, liturgist, coffee volunteer, altar flowers) for October are available today.

We will once again be putting together an **All Saints slideshow**. If you would like to have a photo of your loved one(s) who have passed away recently, please email your digital photo, along with their name and their relationship to you, by **October 15** to the church office. If you have submitted a picture in the past, we still have those on file. Please just let us know their name so we can pull up the old file. Please keep your photos to 1 MB, and at least 350x350ppi (ish).

A **Celebration of Life for Marcia Burns** will be held Saturday, October 10 at 10 AM at Corralitos Community Church, 26 Browns Valley Road, Corralitos. All who knew and loved Marcia are welcome.

Thanks Today to:

- Our **Liturgist:** Ruth Landmann
- Our **Ushers:** Jane and Steve Green
- Our **Tech Team:** Carolyn Collins
- Our **Coffee Volunteers:** Paula and Greg Phipps
- Our **Altar Flowers:** Given by Trish and Mark Hucklebridge

This Week:

- Tuesday, 9/29: Alive Now 10 AM, Upper Room Group 7 PM
- Friday, 10/2: Scott Group 10 AM

Coming Up:

- Sunday, 10/4: **World Communion Sunday, Pledge Campaign Kick Off**
- Monday, 10/5: PACT 10 AM
- Wednesday, 10/7: Village Santa Cruz 1 PM

Aptos UMC sends out a weekly email blast on Saturdays. If you would like to be added to the email list, contact the office at office@aptosumc.org. *If you've given us your email address and aren't receiving the emails, please check your junk or spam folder.*

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



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.

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 27, 2026 ~ 10 AM Worship
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost



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Order of Worship

Gathering Music

Call To Worship

The apostle Paul calls us to “let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.” What is the mind of Jesus?

The mind of Jesus is to love God, neighbor, self, and all creation.

Paul reminds us that “it is God who is at work in you.” How is God at work in us?

God enables us through grace to love God, neighbor, self, and all creation.

Paul exhorts us to “work on your own salvation with fear and trembling.” How do we work on our own salvation?

We cooperate with grace to love God, neighbor, self, and all creation.

Beloved, we gather to worship God who, through Jesus, shows us how to love and enables us to love as Christ loves us.

We gather to learn how to live in full accord through our love of God, neighbor, self, and all creation. Amen.

Prelude

Opening Prayer

Most wonderful God, the beauty we see in Jesus is your beauty veiled in human flesh. If Christ’s life is so holy as to fill us with wonder, how much more would your unveiled beauty leave us overwhelmed and trembling? You are more than the eye could bear, more than the mind can ever fathom.

Yet you have so carefully made us that although we cannot fathom you, we can yet love you. Gratefully, we bring our lives to you, asking that our worship may arise from love and be shaped by love, and be directed towards that larger loving which is our soul’s desire.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Opening Hymn #177

“He Is Lord”

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

Philippians 2:1-13

Sermon

“In Full Accord”

Pastor Gabe

Hymn #2071

“Jesus, Name Above All Names”

Prayers of the People

Confession and Pardon

Holy God, we know that in so many ways

We have run from you,

We have ignored your call,

We have closed our eyes to your presence,

We have disbelieved your mercy,

We have disregarded your words,

We have belittled ourselves,

We have forsaken others.

So we ask, once again, for your forgiveness.

We ask you to stay with us as we turn away from what is wrong and hurtful to what is bright and life-giving. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Offering

Doxology #94

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer

Closing Hymn #561

“Jesus, United by Thy Grace”

Benediction

Postlude

Philippians 2:1-13 NRSVue

¹ If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, ² make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others. ⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶ who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, ⁸ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, ¹⁰ so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

¹² Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence but much more now in my absence, work on your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.