

**Book Club meets this Wednesday at 1:30 PM in the Youth Room.**  
This month's book is *The Vulnerables* by Sigrid Nunez.

**Join us at the Pride Parade and Festival on June 2!** Aptos UMC has a long and proud history of being present at the Santa Cruz Pride parade and festival. We will be sharing a booth with Trinity Presbyterian again this year. This is a sit-down job, and all you need to provide is a smile and welcoming attitude. Please contact Jana Daley if you can cover a shift between 11 AM and 4:30 PM.

**Thanks Today to:**

Our **Liturgist:** Clyde Vaughn  
Our **Usher:** Peggy Kaysen  
Our **Tech Team:** Carolyn Collins, Roger Swenson  
Our **Coffee Volunteers:** Jane and Steve Green  
Our **Altar Flowers:** Given by Clyde and Sheila Vaughn in honor of Mother's Day and Clyde's birthday

**This Week:**

Tuesday, 5/14: Alive Now 10 AM  
Wednesday, 5/15: Book Club 1:30 PM, Upper Room Group 7 PM  
Thursday, 5/16: Senior Stretch 9:30 AM  
Friday, 5/17: **Tide Deadline**, Scott Group 10 AM

**Coming Up:**

Monday, 5/20: PACT 10 AM  
Sunday, 5/26: Peace with Justice Sunday

**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.

**Online giving is available.** Go to [aptosumc.org](http://aptosumc.org) and click on the 'GIVE NOW' button, or scan this code using your smartphone.



**All are invited  
to a special  
Mother's Day  
coffee hour after  
worship today.**

# APTOS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**May 12, 2024 ~ 10 AM Worship**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

*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*

### *Call to Worship*

Easter people, raise your voices, for you belong to the Risen Christ!

**We belong to Christ, and so we share in Christ together.**

Just as we share in Christ together, so we are called to share Christ with the world.

**We share Christ by proclaiming the good news of God's love to the world.**

How will you share God's love with the world?

**By loving, respecting, and honoring our neighbors, especially those the world neglects, overlooks, and ignores.**

Easter people, you belong to the Risen Christ!

**Because we belong to Christ, we will share Christ's love and belonging everywhere we go.**

### *Prelude*

### *Opening Prayer*

**God our Mother and Father, we come to you as children. Be with us as we learn to see one another with new eyes, hear one another with new hearts, and treat one another in a new way. Amen.**

### *Announcements*

*Hymn #139 (v 1,2,4)*      **"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"**

### *Mother's Day Blessing*

### *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*                      John 17:6-19 NRSVue

*Sermon*                      "We Share Christ"                      Pastor Gabe

*Hymn #102*                      **"Now Thank We All Our God"**

### *Prayers of the People*

### *Confession and Pardon*

**Holy God, we confess that we have not always lived out your call to share in abundant life and unconditional love. We believe that you have the power to turn us around to a more inclusive way of living. We ask you to give us the courage to change, and the energy, intelligence, imagination, and love to be your people in all we say and do. Amen.**

### *Passing of the Peace*

### *Offering*

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

### *Prayer of Thanksgiving*

### *The Lord's Prayer*

*Closing Hymn #302 (v 1,5,6)*      **"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"**

### *Benediction*

## John 17:6-19 NRSVue

<sup>6</sup>“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, <sup>8</sup> for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup> I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup> All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup> And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup> While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup> But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. <sup>14</sup> I have given them your word,

and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup> I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup> They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup> Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup> As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup> And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.