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✠ Scripture Reading Acts 1:1-11 Pastor David

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

✠ Opening Prayer Pastor David

🔔 Handbell Anthem Dance Of The Heart (Linda Lamb) Grande Ringers

Praise On Bended Knee Offering Jesus Be The Center

Prayer of Adoration Susan Coho

We Worship in Giving

Offertory Song His Eye Is On The Sparrow

✠ Sharing God's Peace (greeting one another) Join in singing "Seek Ye First" as you return to your seat

Joys and Concerns—Pastoral Prayer Pastor David

Scripture Reading John 17:6-19

Sermon "Finding Meaning In Life!" Rev. David M. Burgeson

Communion Liturgy In Unison

Communion Song Speak To Me Lord

✠ Benediction Song The Lord Bless Thee Pastor David

✠ Recessional I'll Fly Away!

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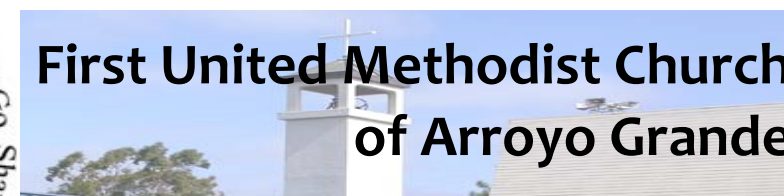
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- Prelude** *Speak, O Lord* (Getty, Townend)
- Handbell Introit** *Celtic Farewell* (Linda Lamb) Grande Ringers
- Call To Worship** Pastor David

* Please rise as you are able in body and/or spirit for our Call to Worship

Pastor: Ever-present God, forever seeking us and always teaching us:

- All: Open our minds to the truth of your care.**
- Pastor: Open our hearts to the gentle power of your love.
- All: Open our lips to share stories of faith.**
- Pastor: Open our hands to create beauty, to do justice and to show kindness.
- All: Open our souls to the breath of your spirit.**
- Pastor: Open our mouths to sing boldly and loudly your praises.

* Please remain standing for our opening hymn.

- † Hymn No. 158** *Come Christians Join to Sing*
- Handbell Anthem** *Dance of the Heart* (Linda Lamb) Grande Ringers

Children's Moment Leonard Lutz
Nursery care is available. Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time to room 211. Junior & Senior high will meet in church.

Prayer of Confession Pastor David

- One: Please join me in our prayer of confession:
- All: O God, whose Spirit searches all things and whose love bears all things, we would draw near to you in sincerity, but our untruth often catches us unawares. Enable us to lay aside our masks and disguises and to deal with the weakness and selfishness that prevent us from serving either you or our fellows as we would. We pray in the name of Jesus, the true person. Amen.**

Choral Anthem *Old Time Religion* (Moses Hogan) Chancel Choir

Sharing of Our Joys & Concerns and Lord's Prayer

Prayer for Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *The Family Prayer Song* (Morris Chapman)

✠ **Doxology**
Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayer For Illumination Cyndee Rohla

One: Please join me in our prayer for illumination:

All: Come, Holy Spirit, come, to quicken our minds and open our hearts that we might receive your Word as it is read and proclaimed. Encourage or convict, comfort or confront as you know we need. Feed us and teach us, empowering us to respond in obedient faithfulness. Amen.

Scripture John 17:6-19 Cyndee Rohla

One: This is the word of the Lord.

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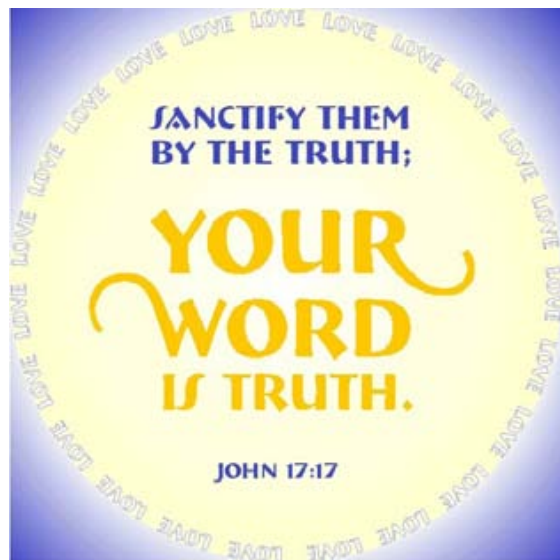
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✠ Hymn No. 364 *Because He Lives*

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