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# 8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE



## August 5, 2018



# First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande

Welcome to Worship!

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

### Gathering

OPENING *Everybody Ought to Know*

WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

PRAISE *Mighty to Save  
More Love More Power  
Thank You Lord*

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
Sharing of Joys and Concerns  
Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

### Sharing and Responding to God's Word

SONG OF ILLUMINATION *Cowboy's Prayer*

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SERMON *"WHASSUP, LADY WISDOM?"  
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OFFERING *Praise the Lord*

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COMMUNION *He is Lord*

FINAL BLESSING *How I Love You Lord*

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August 5, 2018

10:30 AM

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### CENTERING WORDS

*The Lord formed me in the beginning,  
before he created anything else.  
From ages past, I am. I existed before the earth began.  
I lived before the oceans were created, before the springs  
bubbled forth their waters onto the earth.*

—Lady Wisdom  
Proverbs 8:22-24 (Living Bible)

PRELUDE

*Oh, How He Loves You and Me*

Kurt Kaiser

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Wisdom cries in the street, calling aloud to each of us.

**Hear her voice and walk in God’s ways.**

Wisdom speaks of God’s truth, proclaiming God’s praise.

**Heed her counsel and follow the Lord.**

\*OPENING HYMN *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

No. 103

### WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

### OPENING PRAYER

**Sophia, Wisdom, Holy Spirit of Truth,  
speak wisdom to our hearts.**

**Pour your Spirit into our lives and our world,  
that our words may be your words,  
and our spirit may be your Spirit.**

**Through your Spirit, may our spirit-filled declarations  
transform our actions and our lives**

SPECIAL MUSIC

*Oceans*  
Chloe Keith, Mike Clark, Dennis Eiler

Hillsong United

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

*Nursery care is available.  
Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time.*

Carolyn Russell

**A TIME OF PRAYER**

Choral Call to Prayer *In His Time* TFWS #2203  
 Congregational Prayer  
 Choral Response *In His Time* TFWS #2203

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HYMN (remain seated) *I Sing the Almighty Power of God* No. 152

SERMON *"WHASSUP, LADY WISDOM?"*  
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**OFFERING**

Invitation to the Offering  
 Offertory *Have Thine Own Way, Lord* George C. Stebbins  
 \*Doxology/Blessing of the Offering

*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.*

HOLY COMMUNION Hymnal, page 15

Communion Music *Lamb of God* Twila Paris

\*CLOSING HYMN *Be Thou My Vision* No. 451

**\*BENEDICTION**

God's Wisdom leads us forth.  
**We rejoice in her teachings.**  
 God's wisdom saves us from folly.  
**God's wisdom is ours.**  
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POSTLUDE *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* Frederick Atkinson



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 Memory of my  
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*from Irene Kliesch*

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