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and are happy that you have joined us here today.
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Hope, Joy & Love Rising



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8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE



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Matthew 18:14



August 4, 2019



First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande

ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 4, 2019 8:30 AM
8th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

OPENING PRAISE *All God's Critters Got a Place in the Choir*

WELCOMING OUR GUESTS

PRAISE SONGS *Exodus 15
Because He Lives
Down to the River*

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Sharing and Responding to God's Word

SONG OF ILLUMINATION *Come Thou Fount Come Thou King*

SCRIPTURE *Isaiah 49:13-16
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SERMON *"We Care About Kids!"*

OFFERING *For the Beauty of the Earth*

COMMUNION *He is Lord/Oh How I Love Jesus*

FINAL BLESSING *Father I Adore You*

*CLOSING *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands*

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is hosted by

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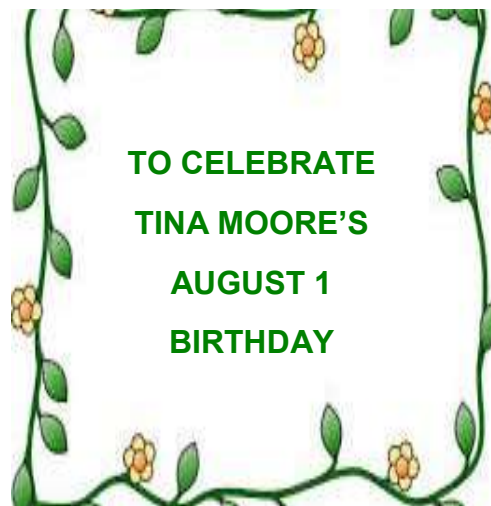
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CENTERING WORDS

Jesus reached for a little child,
placed him among the Twelve, and embraced him. Then he said,
**"Whoever welcomes one of these children in my name welcomes me;
and whoever welcomes me
isn't actually welcoming me but rather the one who sent me."**
---Mark 9:36-37 (Common English Bible)

PRELUDE

CHORAL INTROIT *Morning Has Broken* No. 145
verse 1

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Here we arrive to remember what matters,
Grateful for God, for love, and for life.
In this time, we will focus on what really matters:
Love of God, love of neighbor and self.

*OPENING HYMN *For the Beauty of the Earth* No. 92
verses 1-4 & 6

WELCOMING OUR GUESTS

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God,
in the midst of our fears and doubts, you call us to you.
Be with us when our faith waivers and our priorities become confused.
Stay with us when we doubt you and your grace.
Strengthen us when we need to grow.
Bless us in our struggles that we may move forward with you.
May we find your Gospel everywhere,
as we become your blessing for the world. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Carolyn Russell

Jesus Loves Me (as children come and go)
Nursery care is available.
Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers.

A TIME OF MEDITATION AND PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *More Precious Than Silver* TFWS #2065
 Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer
 Choral Response *More Precious Than Silver* TFWS #2065

SPECIAL MUSIC *The Lord's Prayer*
 Rosslyn Clauson, cello

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 49:13-16
 Mark 10:13-16

HYMN (remain seated) *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* No. 206

SERMON *We Care About Kids!*

OFFERING

Invitation to the Offering
 Offertory
 *Doxology / Prayer of Dedication

*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.*

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O How I Love Jesus No. 170
There's Something about That Name No. 171
His Name is Wonderful No. 174
He is Lord No. 177
Alleluia No. 186

*CLOSING HYMN *Blessed Assurance* No. 369

*BENEDICTION

Go Into the world with compassion and love.
Store up treasures in heaven,
 And share the treasure God brings to life in you!

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *May You Run and Not Be Weary* TFWS #2281

**May you run and not be weary. May your heart be filled with song.
 And may the love of God continue to give you hope and keep you strong.
 And may you run and not be weary. May your life be filled with joy!
 And may the road you travel always lead you home.**

POSTLUDE

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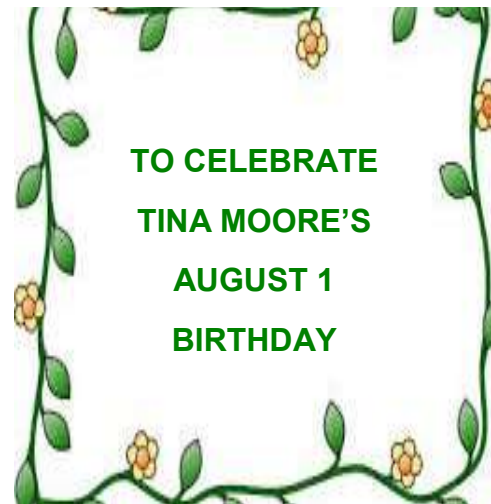
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