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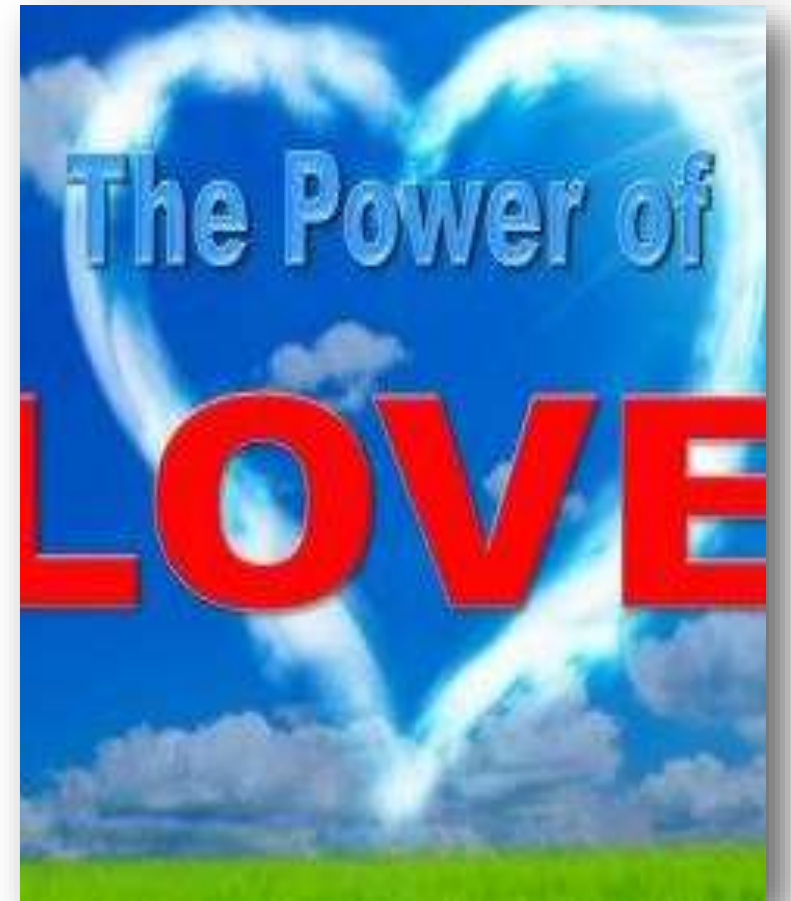
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8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE



April 29, 2018



First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande

Welcome to Worship!

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

Gathering

OPENING PRAISE *Wonderful Merciful Savior*

WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

PRAISE *10,000 Reasons
My Savior, My God
I Stand in Awe of You*

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 *Lord, Make Us Instruments of Peace*

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Pulpit Speaker

OFFERING *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION *Your Blood Says Everything*

FINAL BLESSING *The Lord Bless Thee*

*CLOSING *All My Days*

*Worshippers stand as able



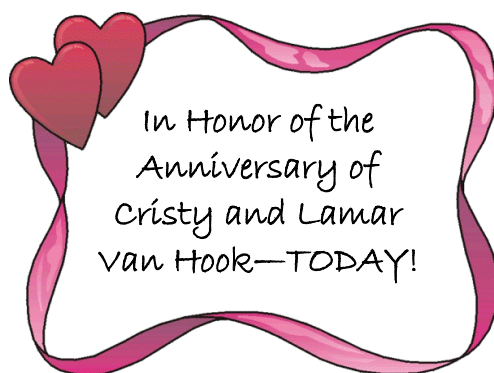
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**Fifth Sunday of Easter
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CENTERING WORDS

There's no fear or force in love.
Love is stronger than fear, death, or even despair.

PRELUDE	<i>I Know Whom I Have Believed</i>	James McGranahan
CHORAL INTROIT	<i>How Majestic Is Your Name</i>	TFWS #2023

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Love one another, my friends.
For God is love in us.
Love even the stranger well.
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Love sister and brother and child.
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***OPENING HYMN** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* No. 89

WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

OPENING PRAYER

**God of love,
plant us in the soil of your grace.
Connect us with Christ, the vine of life.
Enlighten us with the wisdom of your Spirit.
Abide in us,
that we may abide in you
and live in your love.
In your holy name, we pray. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Today the AGUMCC Children are singing:
God is So Big
Nursery care is available.
Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time.

A TIME OF PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *Come and Fill Our Hearts* TFWS #2157
 Congregational Prayer
 Choral Response *Come and Fill Our Hearts* TFWS #2157

CHORAL ANTHEM *The Majesty and Glory of Your Name* Fettke & Johnson

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HYMN (remain seated) *For the Beauty of the Earth* verses 1-4 No. 82

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OFFERING

Invitation to the Offering
 Offertory *Something Worth Living For* Oldham/Gaither
 *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.

*CLOSING HYMN *Forth in Thy Name, O Lord* No. 438

*BENEDICTION

**Connected to the branch of Christ,
 we go to bear the fruit of love:
 peace, joy, hope, faith.
 Loving one another well,
 we go to love all God's children well.**

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

POSTLUDE *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Oliver Holden



*Worshippers stand as able

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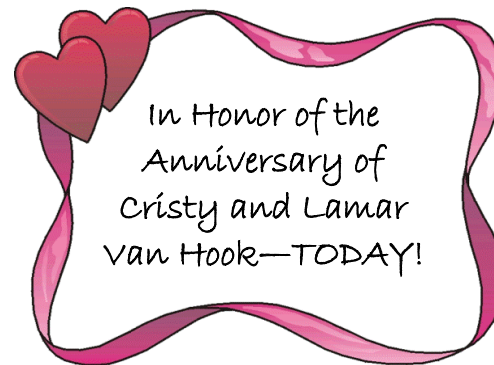
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