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8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE



JANUARY 8, 2017



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First Sunday after the Epiphany
Baptism of the Lord
Music by the Lord's Crew

Gathering

*OPENING PRAISE Let's Worship

WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

*PRAISE I Will Rejoice
Here I Am to Worship
Bless the Lord Oh My Soul

*SHARING GOD'S PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing Joys & Concerns
Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Sharing and Responding to God's Word

SONG OF ILLUMINATION Baptism

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 42:1-9, Matthew 3:13-17

SERMON "A NAME TO GROW INTO"
Rev. Mary B. Birgelaitis

OFFERING SONG Wings of a Dove

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION / RENEWAL OF BAPTISM

Words for Communion
Communion Song El Shadai
Prayer after Communion

Going Forth to Serve

*FINAL BLESSING His Name is Jesus

*CLOSING SONG This Little Light of Mine

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Altar Flowers



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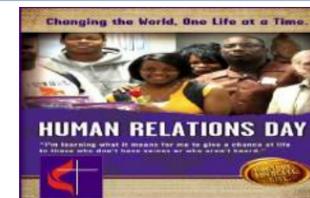
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Dec 11	30	75	Dec 11	30	75	105	Dec 11 Received:			\$4,269	
Dec 18	44	118	Dec 18	44	118	162	Dec 18 Received:			\$4,899	
Dec 24,25	44	176	Dec 25	44	176	220	Dec 25 Received:			\$1,590	
Jan 1	36	63	Jan 1	36	63	99	Jan 1 Received:			\$8,572	

Fiscal Year to Date Budgeted regular giving: \$127,189
Fiscal Year to Date Received: \$135,793

Christmas Offering Budgeted \$5,800
Christmas Offering Received YTD \$7,210

Thank you for your generous response on our Christmas Offering.
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We continue to offer WEDNESDAY 5 PM FREE MEALS for the church & community.

Special Note on the Food Preparation for the Free Wednesday Dinners: We Need Volunteers—Let's Plan Ahead...!! Get your name on the calendar.

There are funds to reimburse for expenses if you desire. Please contact Judy Atwood, Lay Leader

BREAKFAST MEETING

Friday, January 20th 9 AM at Quarterdeck Restaurant Our guest Speaker is Col. Nichole Balliet from Camp Roberts, speaking on Camp Roberts and modern Army training.

Order breakfast from menu. Ladies are invited

* SAVE THE DATE UMM SWEETHEART BREAKFAST—Sat Feb 11*

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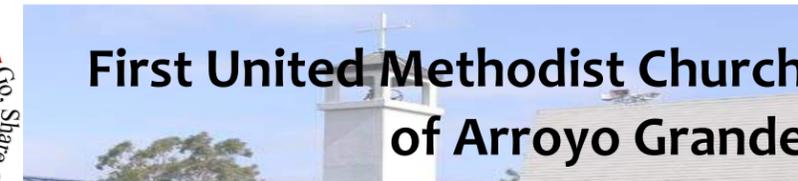
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CENTERING WORDS

“When the Spirit descended upon Jesus at His baptism, a voice revealed Him as a gift from the heart of God. Keep us, disciples of The Way, ever-faithful to the path of power and light made visible in Jesus, that we, too, may incarnate the love of our Creator. Amen.

WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

PRELUDE *Majesty* Jack Hayford

INTROIT *Christ is the World's Light* No. 188

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Called by God,
we gather to worship.
Called to be light,
we gather in the light of God.
Called to be hope,
we gather in the hope of God's Spirit.
Called by name,
we gather as the beloved children of God.

*OPENING HYMN *When Jesus Came to Jordan* No. 252

OPENING PRAYER

**Light of the world,
shine upon us now.
Hope of the world,
reside within our hearts.
Joy of the world,
lighten the burden in our hearts.
Strengthen us anew,
and grant us the boldness and courage
to shine with the light of your love
as we answer your call to be light and hope
for the world.
In the light of your love, we pray. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Judy Atwood

Nursery care is available. Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time. Junior and Senior High will meet in Criswell Hall.

A TIME OF PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer Water, River, Spirit, Grace TFWS No. 2253
Congregational Prayer/Lord's Prayer Hymnal No. 895
Choral Response Water, River, Spirit, Grace TFWS No. 2253

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ANTHEM You Are Mine

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OFFERING Invitation to the Offering
Offertory Open the Eyes of My Heart Paul Balloche
Blessing of the Offering (no doxology)

*HYMN This is the Spirit's Entry Now No. 608

SERVICE OF BAPTISM RENEWAL

*BENEDICTION
Go forth to be light
Go forth to be hope
Go forth to be love, for we are beloved
and called to be love for the world.

*RESPONSE Song of Hope TFWS No. 2186

May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all;
working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.

POSTLUDE How Majestic is Your Name Michael W. Smith



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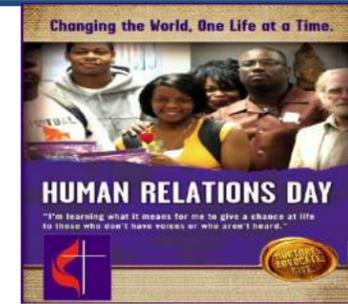
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