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## 8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE



## February 12, 2017



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Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Music by the Lord's Crew

### Gathering

\*OPENING PRAISE Sing to the King

WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

\*PRAISE Breathe  
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms  
My Savior My God

\*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 Thank You Lord

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OFFERING SONG What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Communion Song I Surrender All

\*FINAL BLESSING Through It All

\*CLOSING SONG He is Jehovah

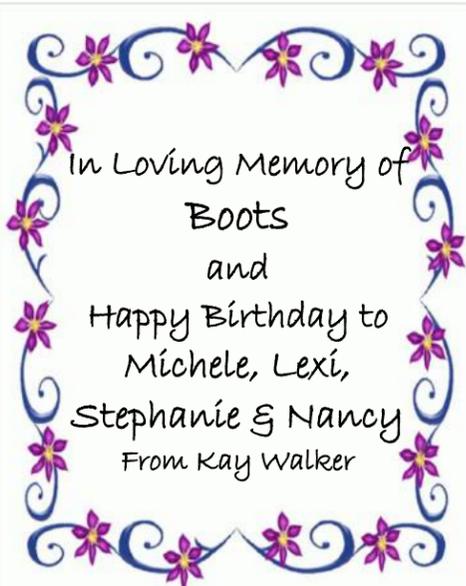
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ANCHORING YOUR WELL-BEING by Howard Clinebell, Ph.D.

Session 7 of 10

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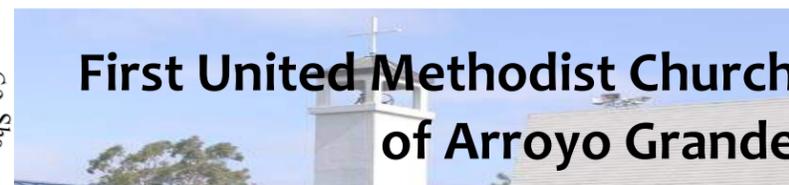
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February 12, 2017 Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany 10:30 AM

### CENTERING WORDS

Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel  
 I am the Lord your God, who teaches you for your own good,  
 who leads you in the way you should go.  
 —Isaiah 48: 17 (NRSV)

The human mind plans the way, but the Lord directs the steps.  
 —Proverbs 16:9 (NRSV)

### WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

PRELUDE *I Know Whom I Have Believed* James McGranahan  
 INTROIT *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying* TFSW #2193

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, bless the Lord who guides us,  
 whose teaching directs our days.  
**Come, bless the Lord who focuses our minds in prayer and whose presence surrounds and sustains us.**  
 We bless the Lord who is present among us. We will not be shaken  
 or live in fear.  
**We will sing God's praise and worship with joy!**

\*OPENING HYMN *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* No. 133

### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

AGUM Children's Center experiences JOY with you today

*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.*

ANTHEM *The Prayer* Carole Sager and David Foster

### A TIME OF PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *Spirit of the Living God* No. 393  
 Congregational Prayer  
 Choral Response *Spirit of the Living God* No. 393

SCRIPTURE Psalm 25:1-12  
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HYMN (remain seated) *Take Time to Be Holy* verses 1-3 No. 395

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OFFERING  
Invitation to Offering  
Offertory *Spirit of God, Descend Upon my Heart* Croly/Atkinson

\*CLOSING HYMN *He Leadeth Me* verses 1-3 No. 128

\*BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE *On Eagle's Wings* (2 times) No. 143

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of God's hand.

POSTLUDE *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* arr. Cindy Berry

Words to our anthem today, *The Prayer*, as sung by the choir:

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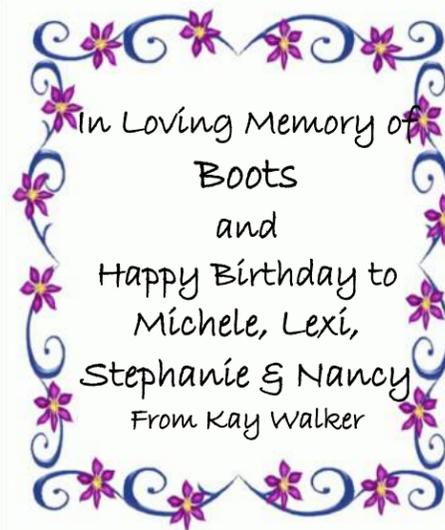
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