

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Weekly Events:

Mon. 6:00pm Gerry's Quilt Class, Criswell Hall
Tue 9:00am Tai Chi, Chriswell Hall
10:00am Sew 'n Sews, McMillen Room #113
11:00am Chair Yoga, Criswell Hall
7:30pm Friendly Neighborhood Big Band Rehearsal, Criswell Hall
Wed. 9:00am Church Work Morning
10:00am UWF Steering Committee, Library
1:30pm Mission Team, McMillen Room #113
Thu. 9:00am Fast Walking, Criswell Hall
10:30am Staff Parish, McMillen Room#113
11:00am Chair Yoga, Criswell Hall
11:00am Nominations Committee, McMillen Room #113
Fri. 10:00am Knitting & Crocheting Parks & Recreation, Criswell Hall
Sat. 10:00am AG History Gentle Walking Tour, leave church 9:45am
10:00am Live, Love & Laugh Youth & Family Event Oxnard, carpool 7:30 from church
Sun. 8:30am Informal Worship Service
10:30am Traditional Worship Service

HOSPITALITY: Today hosted by Nomination Committee

August 23rd will be hosted by Staff Parish

ATTENDANCE						STEWARDSHIP
WEEK	8:30	10:30	IN- PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	Weekly Needed \$7,157
July 19	34	65	99	30	129	\$5,275
July 26	34	56	90	20	110	\$6,777
Aug 02	35	87	122	26	148	\$7,504
Aug 09	45	68	113	4	117	\$11,825
YTD Received: \$46,052						YTD Needed 42,942
Our Fiscal Year runs July 1 to June 30						

Assisting in today's service – Pastor: Rev. Wesley Thompson

Preaching: Joe Brown, **Liturgist:** Joyce Singelman, **Organ:** Brad Bettencourt,

Piano/Keyboard: Dennis Eiler, **Sound Tech:** Adrian Paredes, **Video:** Susan Thronkson

Special Music: Rosslyn Clauson, **Song Leader:** Dave Anderson.



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August 16, 2026

10:30 am

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors
The People of The United Methodist Church



PRELUDE		“Knowing You”	By. Graham Kendrick	SPECIAL MUSIC		“Bouree, Op. 24”	By W.H.Squire
INTROIT		“I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me” (vs 1)	TFWS #2151	SCRIPTURE		Matthew 15:21-28	
CALL TO WORSHIP*							
Family of God, we gather today to unite our voices and our lives in praise to God!							
How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!							
We gather to celebrate how God binds us together to live, work, play, and rest as the Body of Christ!							
How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!							
We gather to remember how God has worked through us to share Christ’s love with one another and our neighbors through our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.							
How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!							
Family of God, today we come as diverse and unique members of the Body of Christ to learn and grow not in uniformity but in unity to love God, self, neighbor, and all creation.							
How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity! Thanks be to God! Amen.							
OPENING HYMN*		“My Hope Is Built”	No. 368				
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS							
OPENING PRAYER							
{All} Loving God,							
You have shown us Your great mercy and compassion, and we have responded to You with faith and worship.							
We have gathered here today to witness to Your compassion and love.							
We are all different people and have come from different places, yet through the gift of Your Holy Spirit, we are all known as Yours. We confess: We have not been as generous with our love or grace as You call us to be. We have classed those who are Your beloved children as different, as foreign, as those not worthy to receive our love.							
We have placed limits on our compassion and have been jealous of our resources. Through this service today may we hear Your voice more clearly, calling us to lives of extravagant generosity. May we be encouraged to share freely from our abundance with others who need it. May the gifts and graces You have given to us be used to witness to Your present kingdom to those You have placed around us. And may our inclusive and expansive love bring a glimpse of You to those who need to see You most. Amen							
CHILDREN AND YOUTH MOMENT							
We invite all children and youth to participate in this intergenerational time of learning about Jesus.							
Rev. Tim Olson Youth Teacher							
Mary Thronkson, Children’s Teacher							
O God, we thank you for blessing us with the gift of children.							
May they learn the stories of Jesus. May we share their joy. Amen.							
A TIME OF PRAYER							
Call to Prayer		“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”		TFWS #2200			
Prayer/Lord's Prayer							
Response		“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”		TFWS #2200			
SERMON:				Grace Is Everywhere		Joe Brown	
OFFERING							
Call to Stewardship and Mission							
Offertory		“Surely The Presence Of The Lord Is In This Place”		By Lanny Wolfe			
Doxology/Prayer of Dedication*							
CLOSING HYMN*				“Victory In Jesus”		No.370	
BENEDICTION*							
[All] Family of God, how good and pleasant it is when we live, when we praise, when we weep, and when we find peace in unity together. May God bless us with the wisdom and grace to recognize and cooperate with the Spirit who binds us together in love, that we may grow in unity of praise now and forever. Amen.							
RESPONSE		“I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me” (Vs 1)		TFWS #2151			
POSTLUDE		“Since I Been Redeemed”		By Edwin O. Excell			
*Please stand as able							