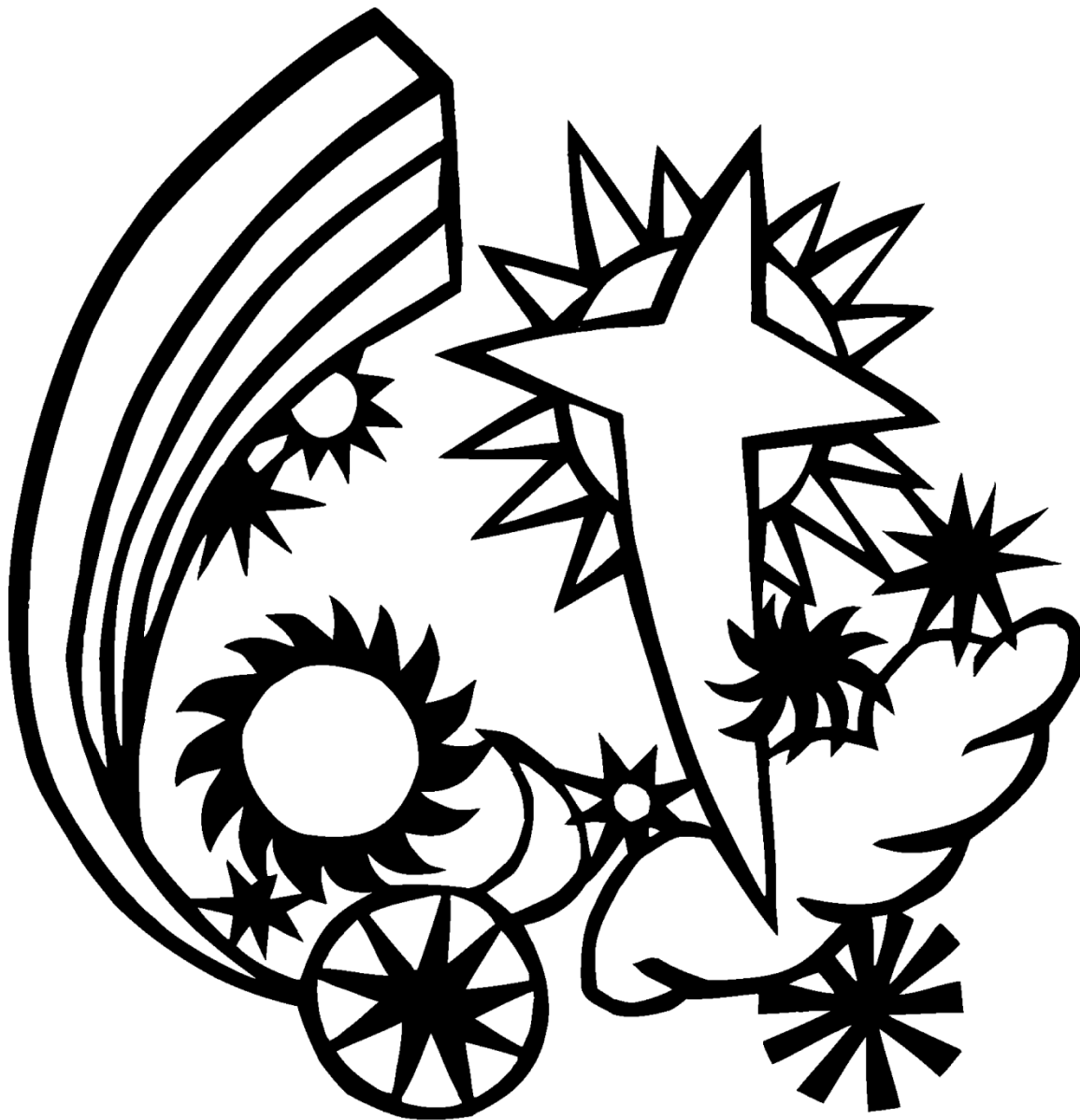




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WORSHIP BOOKLET

PRELUDE

Ina Davenport

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Brian Stein-Webber

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who redeems us in Christ Jesus,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you
and our neighbors.**

**We have ignored voices
that call for your justice.**

**We have neglected actions
that witness to your righteousness.**

**We have spoken and acted
in ways that disrupt your beloved community.**

**We truly repent of things we have done
and left undone.**

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

**Restore our troubled spirits,
so that we may live in newness,
follow the way of the Spirit,
and build up the body of Christ.**

Amen.

Rejoice and be glad!

God hears the prayers of all who cry out,
and restores us to life through the death
and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Therefore, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,

and of the ✝ Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING Praise to the Lord, the Almighty #858 (red book, rear section)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him for he is your health and salvation!

Let all who hear now to the temple draw near, joining in glad adoration!

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.**

Have you not seen all that is needful has been sent by God's gracious ordaining.

**Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
surely God's goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do if with great love he befriend you.**

**Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore God!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before God!
Let the amen sound from God's people again.
Gladly forever adore Him!**

[Joachim Neander, the writer of the words of this hymn, was a German Reformed leader in the 17th century. His conversion from riotous student to converted Christian provided much feeling to his hymnwriting, which was primarily for congregations in Bremen and Dusseldorf. He became embroiled in church conflict and lost his health, dying at 30 years old. Catherine Winkworth, who made the most popular translation of this hymn, lived in 19th century France and England, staying with relatives in Germany as a young adult. Her translations of German hymns are known to be polished and close to the original. She was a promoter of women's rights and higher education for women.]

GREETING

In the name of God the Creator,
in the name of Christ the Redeemer,
in the name of the Guiding Spirit,
Alleluia, Amen.

GATHERING SONG (call and response)

Ray Makeever

Come, let us worship God....**Come let us worship God.**
Come, let us worship God....**Come let us worship God.**
Welcome everyone....**Welcome everyone,**
To the love of God....**To the love of God.**

Rest for the weary....**Rest for the weary.**
Rest for the weary....**Rest for the weary.**
Welcome everyone....**Welcome everyone,**
To the love of God....**To the love of God.**

Food for the hungry....**Food for the hungry.**
Food for the hungry....**Food for the hungry.**
Welcome everyone....**Welcome everyone,**
To the love of God....**To the love of God.**

Hope for the children...**Hope for the children.**
Hope for the children...**Hope for the children.**
Welcome everyone....**Welcome everyone,**
To the love of God....**To the love of God.**

KYRIE (call and response)

Ray Makeever

Kyrie eleison.....**Kyrie eleison**
Kyrie eleison.....**Kyrie eleison**

Kyrie....**Kyrie**

Christe....**Christe**

Kyrie....**Kyrie**

Christe....**Christe**

Kyrie, Christe eleison....Kyrie, Christe eleison

Kyrie, Christe eleison....Kyrie, Christe eleison

Kyrie, Christe eleison....Kyrie, Christe eleison

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Let us pray together... **O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD.

Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel,

concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people:

It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away,
and you have not attended to them.

So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD.

Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock
out of all the lands where I have driven them,
and I will bring them back to their fold,
and they shall be fruitful and multiply.

I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them,
and they shall not fear any longer,
or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD,

when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch,
and he shall reign as king and deal wisely,
and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety.

And this is the name by which he will be called:

“The LORD is our righteousness.”

[New Revised Standard Version]

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46 (the congregation responds with the bold words)

¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

though its waters rage and foam,

and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;

God shall help it at the break of day.

**The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

The LORD of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

**Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**

behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;

who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

“Be still, then, and know that I am God;

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”

The LORD of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

[New Revised Standard Version]

Second Reading: Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from Christ’s glorious power,

and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience,

while joyfully giving thanks to the Father,

who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

God has rescued us from the power of darkness

and transferred us into the realm of God’s beloved Son,

in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;

for in Christ all things in heaven and on earth were created,

things visible and invisible,

whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—

all things have been created through Christ and for Christ.

Christ indeed is before all things, and in Christ all things hold together.

Christ is the head of the body, the church;

Christ is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,

so that Christ might come to have first place in everything.

For in Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,

and through Christ God was pleased to reconcile to God’s self all things,

whether on earth or in heaven,

by making peace through the blood of the cross.

[New Revised Standard Version]

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION #174 (red hymnal, rear section)

Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 23:33-43

The gospel lesson for today is from the book of Luke, the 23rd chapter, beginning with the 33rd verse.

Glory be to you, Oh Lord.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull,
they crucified Jesus there with the criminals,
one on his right and one on his left.

Then Jesus said,

“Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.”

And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

And the people stood by, watching;

but the leaders scoffed at him, saying,

“He saved others;

let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!”

The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,

“Are you not the Messiah?

Save yourself and us!”

But the other rebuked him, saying,

“Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?

And we indeed have been condemned justly,

for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds,

but this man has done nothing wrong.”

Then he said,

“Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

He replied,

“Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

The New Revised Standard Version]

This is the gospel indeed.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Jesus in All

Pastor Stein-Webber

SERMON HYMN My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness #251 (red hymnal, rear section)

**My soul proclaims your greatness, Lord; I sing my Savior's praise!
You looked upon my lowliness, and I am full of grace.
Now ev'ry land and ev'ry age this blessing shall proclaim –
great wonders you have done for me, and holy is your name.**

**To all who live in holy fear your mercy ever flows.
With mighty arm you dash the proud, their scheming hearts expose.
The ruthless you have cast aside, the lowly throned instead;
the hungry filled with all good things, the rich sent off unfed.**

**To Israel, your servant blest, your help is ever sure;
the promise to our parents made their children will secure.
Sing glory to the Holy One, give honor to the Word,
and praise the Pow'r of the Most High, one God, by all adored.**

[The writer of this hymn seems not to be known, but the words are a restatement of The Magnificat, as sung by Mary at the Annunciation in the Gospel of Luke. The tune, Kingsfold, is an English folk tune.]

APOSTLE'S CREED

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;
 He descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again;
 He ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 And he will come to judge the living and dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

We pray for your church. Embolden denominations and faith-based organizations in creative and collaborative ministries and increase our work for the sake of the gospel. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for the earth. Protect waterways from pollution and animal habitats from destruction. Guide us in careful stewardship of waters, plant life, and animals. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for the nations of the world. Instill in every leader's heart a desire for justice and peace. Support the work of international collaborations that seek the goals of health and joy for all people, especially the current climate summit in Egypt and the organizations of developed nations. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for all who are undermined or oppressed. Amplify the voices of the unheard and break open stubborn systems of injustice. Bring about your righteousness and fill us all with your redeeming light. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for this assembly. Guide our pastor/s, deacon/s, and council members in discernment, and nurture new leaders with fresh ideas. Give this congregation a spirit of discipleship and service. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for all those, through physical, spiritual, mental or other needs are worthy of our special prayers, namely,

- Janelle Muff, healing after surgery
- Janet Lorenzo, healing after surgery
- Pastor Brian in his recovery from Bell's Palsy
- Ina Davenport - thanksgiving for her finding adequate housing
- Family of Edith Tway who passed on October 12
- Pastor Jim Berg – dealing with health issues
- L.C for improved mental health
- Sally Mingo - Jennifer Kurrle's mother - knee injury
- Arthur Hendey, Kea McKee's brother - spine surgery
- Paul Weggenmann - Jean Senter's cousin - pain with arthritis and dying of a disease that weakens muscles
- Denise Kenealy, daughter-in-law of Robin Karas, now in on-going home rehabilitation care.
- Linda Luke- recovering from recent procedure and to gain weight and strength
- Rebecca Aparicio, Nancy Padilla's mother-in-law, living in a nursing home
- Becky Padilla- responding well to treatment for cancer
- Marcia Shep, Jennifer Kurrle's grandmother
- Lia, Ina Davenport's friend- recovering well from a broken back
- James Hecker- experiencing new complications following bladder replacement surgery
- Christopher Buckles, Kate Anderson's son
- Katie Brochtrup- facing oral surgery
- Marcia and Rick Walt, friends of Cindy Haener
- Elaine Grawe- recovering well from brain surgery
- Darel and Betty Sorenson, as Betty remains in nursing care on Hospice
- Mercedes Stevens, Katie Edson's mother
- For Laura Salazar and her family
- Iglesia Santa Cruz, Pastor Esteban and Angie- ministering boldly in Santa Maria, and for our support of their ministry
- For those who are contracting the new COVID-19 omicron variants, and that we might continue to observe mitigation guidelines

- For the people of Ukraine, for strength, healing and protection, and changes of heart for those attacking them.
- For Kathie Sperow, Beverly Flaten and Herb Harsch who celebrate their birthdays this week

**Lord in your mercy,
receive our prayer.**

Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.... **Blessed are you, Maker of all things.
As you have entrusted us with all that you have created,
now gather our gifts,
nourish us with this sacrament,
and send us to those who hunger and thirst,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

SANCTUS p. 173 (red hymnal, front section)

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord.
Lord God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it
and gave it to his disciples saying,
"Take and eat, this is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it to his disciples, saying,
"Drink this, all of you. It is the new covenant of my blood,
shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

Let pray the prayer that our Lord Jesus taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.**

CHRIST HAVE MERCY

Ray Makeever

**Christ, have mercy on us all,
keep us steadfast e'er we fall.
Break the bread, pour the wine.
Come and dine.**

**God, be with us at the feast.
Grant us wisdom, give us peace.
Break the bread, pour the wine.
Come and dine.**

**Holy Spirit, breathe again.
Light the darkness, be our friend.
Break the bread, pour the wine.
Come and dine.**

**Bake a great loaf, give it time;
choose the best grapes from the vine.
Break the bread, pour the wine
Come and dine.**

TAKING OF HOLY COMMUNION

[All who desire may come forward to take the body and blood of Christ. During the distribution of Communion, you may also seek prayers of healing at the chair by the baptismal font.]

COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in eternal life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together:

**We give you thanks, most gracious God,
that you have fed us with the bread of heaven
and given us a foretaste of Paradise.**

**Enliven us to be your body in the world
and to serve those who are in need;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

AMEN.

BLESSING

The God of peace,
who creates all things and calls them good,
who makes us alive in Jesus,
and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope,
✠ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing #545 (red hymnal, rear section)

**Lord, dismiss us with your blessing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.
Oh, refresh us; oh, refresh us, trav'ling through this wilderness.**

**Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of our salvation in our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful to your truth may we be found.**

**Savior, when your love shall call us from our struggling pilgrim way,
let no fear of death appall us, glad your summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever reign with you in endless day.**

[The two authors of the words of this popular hymn were both Englishmen. John Fawcett lived in the 18th century and was a Baptist pastor. Fawcett also wrote Blest Be the Tie That Binds. Godfrey Thring lived in the 19th century and was an Anglican priest, of a noted and wealthy family.]

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Ina Davenport

Thank you to:

- **Cindy Haener** for assisting in worship.
- **Nancy Koppl** for teaching Sunday School.
- **Sandy McMillan and others** for counting the offering.
- **Ina Davenport** for accompanying worship.
- **Nikki Rocha** for streaming worship.
- **Gail Brochtrup** for editing and assembling worship bulletins.
- **Nancy Padilla**, for setting up and welcoming.
- **Gary and Mark Orback**, for tending to our outside property.
- **Sophia and Janet Lorenzo**, for tending to our inside property.
- **Ken Brocks and Gary Brochtrup** for their handyman work.

Events this week:

- **All are welcome** to linger after worship in the fellowship hall.
- **Iglesia de Santa Cruz** is holding a special lunch and musical celebration today at noon in Santa Maria, to which we are invited.
- **The Zoom discussion group** will meet tonight at 7:00 pm, discussing the movie *Oh, God*.
- **Bible Study** will be on hiatus this week.
- The Los Osos Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be on Wednesday, November 23.
- A blessed **Thanksgiving** to everybody this week.
- Let Pastor Brian know if you would like to **start receiving his weekly emails**.
(bsteinwebber@gmail.com)

**Don't forget to check the Calendar website page for upcoming events:
morrobaylutherans.org**