



Sunday Worship

First United Methodist Church of Riverside
4845 Brockton Avenue, Riverside, CA 92506

Order of Worship

November 10, 2024 10 am

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost; Veterans Day Sunday

*Please stand as you are comfortable.

PRELUDE: "Partita on 'Foundation'" by Donald Johns / Robert Phillips, Organist

*TRINITY BELLS

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN: #529** "How Firm a Foundation" by "K" / **All** / Led by Phil Bremenstuhl, Hymn Leader

Verse 1

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Verse 2

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
for I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen and help thee and cause thee to stand
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

Verse 3

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

Verse 4

**"When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.**

Verse 5

**"The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."**

***CALL TO WORSHIP** / Led by Loretta Cudney, Liturgist

(Leader) Come along with me as a sojourner in faith. Bring along a sense of expectancy, a vision of high hopes, a glimpse of future possibility, a vivid imagination. For God's creation is not done.

(Congregation) We are called to pioneer a new future with God. As we venture forward, we leave behind our desires for a no-risk life, worldly accumulations, and certainty.

(L) Let us travel light in the spirit of faith and expectation toward the God of our hopes and dreams.

(C) Come along together as sojourners in faith, knowing that God goes with us and God is here now!

WELCOME / The Rev. Beverly Devine, Pastor

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER

- Sharing of Joys and Concerns

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE: "Amen," Dresden

INTERLUDE: "Diversion (Glorious Dawn)" by Jason W. Krug / Allegro Ringers

CHILDREN'S MOMENT / Lyn Knowles

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 119:1-8 / Liturgist

The Glories of God's Law

¹Happy are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.

²Happy are those who keep his decrees,
who seek him with their whole heart,

³who also do no wrong but walk in his ways.

- ⁴You have commanded your precepts
to be kept diligently.
- ⁵O that my ways may be steadfast
in keeping your statutes!
- ⁶Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.
- ⁷I will praise you with an upright heart,
when I learn your righteous ordinances.
- ⁸I will observe your statutes;
do not utterly forsake me.

ANTHEM: "Tell It to the Nations," arranged by Keith Christopher / The Aldersgate Chorale, directed by Yvonne Flagg, accompanied by Robert Phillips

SCRIPTURE READING: Deuteronomy 6:1-9 (NRSVUE) / Liturgist

The Great Commandment

6 "Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that the Lord your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, ²so that you and your children and your children's children may fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. ³Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

⁴"Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. ⁵You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. ⁷Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. ⁸Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, ⁹and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

SERMON: "PILLAR OF FAITH" / The Rev. Beverly Devine

***HYMN OF DEDICATION: #377** "It Is Well with My Soul," words by Horatio G. Spafford and music by Phillip P. Bliss / **All**

Verse 1

**When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

Refrain:

**It is well with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.**

Verse 2

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and hath shed his own blood for my soul.

Refrain:

It is well with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

Verse 3

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part but the whole,
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! (Refrain)

Verse 4

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
the trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
even so, it is well with my soul. (Refrain)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING (Adapted from Luke 6:24) / Liturgist

By faith we gather to worship and serve God who created us.

By faith we commit ourselves to live according to a different call, as our ancestors in faith did. By faith, then, let us return our offerings to God, that we might live out our hope in God's work.

(All) Amen!

(Liturgist) I invite the ushers to receive our offerings.

OFFERTORY: "It Is Well with My Soul" by Harold DeCou

***DOXOLOGY: #62** (vs. 7) "All Creatures of Our God and King" by Francis of Assisi and William H. Draper / **All**

**Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise ye! Alleluia!**

**Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One!
O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

***UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** (Mark 12:38-44) / Liturgist

Gracious God, whose compassion knows no bounds, we offer these gifts as a reflection of our love and gratitude. Use these offerings to further your kingdom, bringing hope and healing to those in need. Bless our giving, that it may glorify your name and extend your grace to all. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

LAITY BLESSINGS / Kris Lovekin, Lay Leader

***SENDING HYMN: #178** "Hope of the World," words by Georgia Harkness and music by V. Earle Copes / **All**

Verse 1

**Hope of the world, thou Christ of great compassion,
speak to our fearful hearts by conflict rent.**

**Save us, thy people, from consuming passion,
who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.**

Verse 2

**Hope of the world, God's gift from highest heaven,
bringing to hungry souls the bread of life,
still let thy spirit unto us be given,
to heal earth's wounds and end all bitter strife.**

Verse 3

**Hope of the world, afoot on dusty highways,
showing to wandering souls the path of light,
walk thou beside us lest the tempting byways
lure us away from thee to endless night.**

Verse 4

**Hope of the world, who by thy cross didst save us
from death and dark despair, from sin and guilt,
we render back the love thy mercy gave us;
take thou our lives, and use them as thou wilt.**

Verse 5

**Hope of the world, O Christ o'er death victorious,
who by this sign didst conquer grief and pain,
we would be faithful to thy gospel glorious;
thou art our Lord! Thou dost forever reign.**

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: "Carillon Toccata" by Douglas E. Wagner

In Our Hearts and Prayers

Greg Laird, Richard Bennett, Barbara Spencer, Norma Nelson, Mary Herrmann, Michael Thompson,
Jim Ashworth, Linda Rydzik, Mary Boon, Melva Cooke, Mack Davis, John and Susan Page-Logger,
Yvonne Peters, Robert and Benita Roberts, LJ Arguelles, Michelle Arguelles, Marge Wolter,
Margaret Berger, Chandra Roberts, Bill and Helen Nuchols,
Jesse Ruiz Jr., Cheryl Riggs's sister, Claudia

Reminder:

Pastor's Study Leave, November 7-13

- **Church office and campus closed:**
 - **November 11 for Veterans Day**
 - **November 28 and 29 for Thanksgiving**

ALL CHURCH CONFERENCE (2024-2025)

Saturday, November 23, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

FUMCOR and Wesley UMC meet together in Fellowship Hall.
East District Superintendent, Rev. Moonyoung Lee, presiding

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMING SUNDAY - November 24, 2024

If you desire to join our church as a member,
please contact the church office, (951) 683-7831.
We would love to welcome you into our church family!

This Week

Sunday, November 10

- Allegro Ringers rehearsal (Sanctuary) - 8:45 am
- Youth Bells rehearsal (Mary's Kitchen) - 9:30 am
- Worship: Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost; Veterans Day; Sermon: "Pillar of Faith" by Rev. Bev Devine (Sanctuary) - 10 am
- Children's Church School (Club Ark and Nursery) - 10:15 am - 11 am
- Youth Worship (Meet in Narthex after Children's Moment) - 10:15 am
- United Methodist Men's Lunch with speaker, Dave Stolte, president of the Old Riverside Foundation. He will speak about historic preservation. A delicious lunch will be served! (Fellowship Hall) - 11:30 am

Monday, November 11

Veterans Day Holiday - Church campus is closed.

Tuesday, November 12

- Allegro Ringers rehearsal (Mary's Kitchen) - 7 pm
- SPRC Committee Meeting (Zoom) - 7 pm

Wednesday, November 13

- Parents' Morning Out (Nursery) - 9 am - 12 pm
- UWF Unit Meeting, guest speaker, Carolyn Greywood (Mary's Kitchen) - 10 am
- The Response rehearsal (Sanctuary) - 6:30 pm

Thursday, November 14

- UWF Lunch Bunch, Red Lobster – 11 am
- UWF Bible Study, “Wrestling with Doubt and Finding Faith” by Adam Hamilton (Zoom) – 6:45 pm
- Aldersgate Chorale rehearsal (Music Room) – 7 pm

Friday, November 15

- United Methodist Men’s Prayer Breakfast (Mary’s Kitchen) – 7 am

Sunday, November 17

- Worship with the Response; Pastor Kim’s preaching (Sanctuary) – 10 am
- Children’s Sunday School (Club Ark and Nursery) – 10:15 am
- U.P.L.I.F.T. Youth Sunday dinner, fellowship, and fun (Youth Room) – 5 pm

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