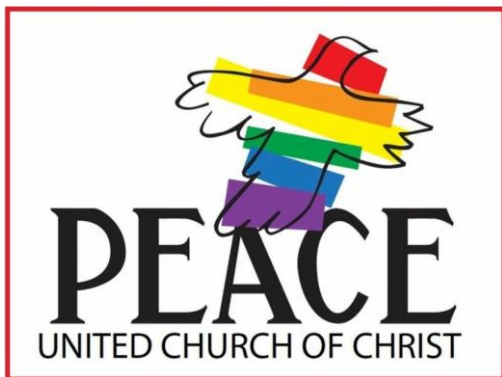




*An Open & Affirming, A2A-Accessible to All
Congregation of the United Church of Christ*

16 November 2025 – 10:30 AM
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
**50th Anniversary of the Ordination of
The Rev. Matthew Broadbent**

***indicates the congregation is invited to stand.
Please feel free to remain seated if you prefer.**

PRELUDE "Air" from *Orchestral Suite No. 3* J. S. Bach
JAZZ ON HIGH • Aidan Santa Cruz, piano & vocals; Chris Charman, bass; Zack Olsen, drums

WELCOME The Rev. David Pattee, pastor

*INTROIT congregation joining on the refrain Marty Haugen
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

*COVENANT Tony Augimeri, moderator
**We covenant with God and with each other:
to walk together in all God's ways as the Holy is revealed to us;
to give ourselves freely and without reserve to Jesus' ministry in this church;
to celebrate through worship God's amazing gifts of unity and diversity;
to take up Christ's mission around the world, striving for justice and peace;
to care for the earth and all her creatures, reconciling ourselves to them in love;
for God gives immeasurable grace into all life and every life.**

*HYMN 11 [hymn sheet] *Bring Many Names* WEST CHASE

GREETINGS Northern California Nevada Conference-United Church of Christ

WORD MADE PLAIN

*GREETING IN PEACE

SCRIPTURE *Genesis 32:22-31* The Rev. Dr. Susan Thistlethwaite

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

ANTHEM *At the River* Aaron Copland
CHANCEL CHOIR • Cheryl Anderson, director; Vlada Moran, pianist

MEDITATION

Limping Home

The Rev. Matt Broadbent

INVITATION TO PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. Norman Broadbent

SONG

Ken Medema

**Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

concluding with *A Prayer in the Spirit of Jesus*

**Earth-Maker, Life-Giver, Pain-Bearer, Source of all that is and all that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all, Loving God in whom is Heaven:
May the hallowing of your name echo through the universe.
May your Heavenly will be done by all creatures great and small.
And may your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need this day, feed us. For the hurt we inflict on one another, forgive us.
Through times of temptation, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is Love.**

OFFERTORY

Invitation

Pastor Dave

Offertory Music

El Amor (Only Love)

Rafael Grullón

Dedication

**Life-giver, you know our name well, and welcome us into this beloved community.
Bless these gifts so they may be used to offer feast amidst famine,
joy amidst pain, courage amidst fear. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen**

*HYMN 419 [hymn sheet]

Now Thank We All our God

NUN DANKET

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Let Your Love Flow

Larry Williams

Just let your love flow like a mountain stream
And let your love grow with the smallest of dreams
And let your love show and you'll know what I mean
It's the season
Let your love fly like a bird on a wing
And let your love bind you to all living things
And let your love shine and you'll know what I mean
That's the reason

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Please do join for refreshments following worship today, which will include carrot cake in honor of Matt Broadbent.

After you've gotten your cake, c'mon over to the Perennials gathering, which features Matt's brother, the Rev. Dr. Norman Broadbent, making a presentation on healthy boundaries for a healthy congregation.

If you haven't already got one, please do pick up a copy of our **2025 Advent and Christmas** flyer, available in the narthex, with news about holiday activities and services.

Next Sunday, November 23 is Thanksgiving Sunday, celebrating our abundant blessing with a food offering for those who want for enough. November 30 will be the first Sunday of Advent, preparing ourselves to receive anew God's gift in Christ Jesus, focusing on the four Advent graces, which begin with HOPE.

Bring Many Names

Brian Wren, 1989

Gen. 1:27

Unison

1 Bring man-y names, beau-ti-ful and good, cel-e-brate, in
 2 Strong moth-er God, work-ing night and day, plan-ning all the
 3 Warm fa-ther God, hug-ging ev-ery child, feel-ing all the
 4 Old, ach-ing God, grey with end-less care, calm-ly pier-cing

par-a-ble and sto-ry, ho-li-ness in glo-ry, liv-ing, lov-ing God.
 won-ders of cre-a-tion, set-ting each e-qua-tion, gen-i-us at play:
 strains of hu-man liv-ing, car-ing and for-giv-ing till we're rec-on-ciled:
 e-vil's new dis-guis-es, glad of good sur-pris-es, wis-er than de-spair:

Hail and Ho-san-na! bring man-y names! great, liv-ing God!
 Hail and Ho-san-na, strong moth-er God!
 Hail and Ho-san-na, warm fa-ther God!
 Hail and Ho-san-na, old, ach-ing God!

5 Young, grow-ing God, ea-ger,
 on the move,
 say-ing no to false-hood and
 un-kind-ness,
 cry-ing out for jus-tice,
 giv-ing all you have:
 Hail and Ho-san-na,
 young, grow-ing God!

6 Great, liv-ing God, nev-er ful-ly known,
 joy-ful dark-ness far be-yond our see-ing,
 clos-er yet than breath-ing,
 ev-er-last-ing home:
 Hail and Ho-san-na,
 great, liv-ing God!

The author states that aspects of the divine are revealed in our maleness, femaleness, youth, and age in a moving, growing matrix of life in God. The tune Westchase was composed especially for this text.

Tune: WESTCHASE 9.10.11.9.
 Carlton Young, 1989

Nun danket alle Gott

(Now Thank We All Our God)

Sir. 50:20-24; 39:35; Ps. 67

Martin Rinkart, 1647; transl. Catherine Winkworth, 1858; alt.

1 Nun dank - et al - le Gott, mit Herz - en, Mund und Händ - en,
 1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voic - es,
 2 O may this boun-teous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God our Mak - er now be giv - en,

der gro - sse Ding - e tut an uns und al - len End - en;
 Who won - drous things has done, in whom this world re - joic - es,
 With ev - er joy - ful hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us,
 To Christ, and Spir - it, too, our help in high - est heav - en,

der uns von Mut - ter - leib und Kind - es - bein - en an
 Who, from our par - ents' arms, has blessed us on our way
 And keep us still in grace, and guide us when per - plexed,
 The one e - ter - nal God, whom earth and heaven a - dore,

un - zäh - lig viel zu gut bis hier-her hat ge - tan.
 With count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.
 And free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 For thus it was, is now, and shall be ev - er - more.

For much of his life, German Lutheran pastor and musician Martin Rinkart ministered to the walled city of Eisleben amidst the horrors of the Thirty Years' War. This hymn has become one of the most widely used hymns of the church.

Tune: NUN DANKET 6.7.6.7.6.6.6.6.
 Johann Crüger, 1647
 Harm. Felix Mendelssohn, 1840