

CHORAL ANTHEM *All Creatures of our God and King* Words, William Draper
Music, Steven Strite

SCRIPTURE Acts 17:22-31
John 14:15-21

HYMN (please remain seated) *Gift of Love* No. 408

SERMON Rev. Mary Birgelaitis
"WAY TO GO!"

OFFERING
Call to Stewardship and Mission
Offertory *It's Just Like His Great Love* Worrell/Strouse arr. Melody Bober
Doxology/Prayer of Dedication Hymnal, No. 94
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the Source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*CLOSING HYMN *Fairest Lord Jesus* No. 189

*BENEDICTION

As God loved Jesus, so Jesus loves you.
We celebrate the love of God in Christ Jesus.
Fulfill the commandment of love,
that Christ's joy may be in you
and that your joy may be complete.

*RESPONSE *Go Now in Peace*

POSTLUDE *Jubilation* James Denton

*Please stand as able.

Acts 17:22-31

Today's Scripture

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, for we too are his offspring.' Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he

commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

John 14:15-21

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Today's Liturgist: Rosslyn Clausen

ALL-CHURCH SUNDAY HOSPITALITY TIME IS LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

ATTENDANCE						STEWARDSHIP
WEEK	8:30	10:30	IN- PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	
04/16	38	48	86	38	124	\$1,577
04/23	30	103	133	46	179	\$1,412
04/30	32	63	95	52	147	\$3,848
05/07	33	48	81	n/a	n/a	\$7,635
Weekly offering needed: \$6,160						
FISCAL YEAR TO DATE: YTD Needed: \$277,200 YTD Received: \$256,83						
<i>We need your help, please give generously!</i>						

HOSPITALITY
TIME

Today's Hosts:

UNITED WOMEN
IN FAITH

Next Sunday-May 21
Hosted by

Christian Education,
Worship,
Membership Care



Announcement: Please note that the 9:00 AM Senior Exercise groups are not meeting during the month of May. This is only temporary!

Abbreviation Legend

CH--Criswell Hall S--Sanctuary
K--Kitchen L--Library Room #123
MMR--McMillen Room #113
PS--Pastor's Study HR--Handbell Rm #115

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

- Mon May 15** 12 Noon ELT Scholarship Deadline--church office, 6:00 PM Quilt Class--CH.
- Tue May 16** 10:00 AM Sew n Sews--MMR, 11:00 AM Chair Yoga--CH, 1:00 PM Tuesday Bible Study--CH, 5:00 PM Bell Practice--HR.
- Wed May 17** 9:00 AM Church Work Day, 10:00 AM UWF Steering--L.
- Thu May 18** 10:00 AM Clergy Cluster--MMR, 10:30 AM Scholarship Committee--L, 10:30 AM SPRC-PS, 2:00 PM Church Council--MM, 5:00 PM Bell Practice--HR, 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal--S.
- Fri May 19** 10:30 AM UWF Book Club--L.
- Sun May 21** 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service .
- Sun May 21** 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service.

Invite Your To Join Us At Our Church



Mon May 15 ELT Scholarship Application Deadline 12:00 Noon in the church office,

Sun June 4 Peace with Justice Sunday
Peace With Justice Sunday is one of the special Sundays of The United Methodist Church. Each year on this special Sunday, United Methodists across the globe give offerings to promote peace all over the world. A special offering will be taken here on June 4.

Sun June 18 UMM Annual Bar-B-Q
Father's Day Sunday June 18th 11:30 AM
Eat In or Take To Go
Tri-Tip, Chicken or Combo Dinner
Tickets \$15 on sale beginning May 28

Sat July 15--Spaghetti Dinner & Bingo
A FUN FUNDRAISER!

Coming to you from UWF!



First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande

275 N. Halcyon Road, Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

May 14, 2023

10:30 AM

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mother's Day/Festival of the Christian Home

PRELUDE *Wings of a Dove* Bob Ferguson arr. Brent Endstrom

INTROIT *Surely the Presence of the Lord* No. 328

***Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.
I can feel his mighty power and his grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings; I see glory on each face;
surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.***

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, Holy Spirit, speak to our hearts.
Come, Holy Spirit, refresh our souls.
Come, Holy Spirit, quicken our minds.
Come, Holy Spirit, show us the way of love.

*OPENING HYMN *For the Beauty of the Earth* verses 1-4, 5 No. 92

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

**Spirit of unity and truth,
speak to us as we worship this day.
Show us your path of love,
and reveal the truth of your teachings.
In the power of your Holy Spirit, we pray.
Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Carolyn Russell

A TIME OF PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *Live in Charity* TFWS #2179
Prayer/Lord's Prayer
Choral Response *Live in Charity* TFWS #2179