

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Woodland  
Bulletin, November 15, 2020  
Zoom Worship

*“I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.” — John 10:10b*

*As we open our eyes and come out of any avoidance we have regarding our feelings about money, we illumine candles, as we always do, and ask God to be with us on this journey, giving us fresh perspectives that can shift any “dis-ease” that holds us back from a courageous vision about our money paths. We have compassion for ourselves and each other because the systems of money we live in are not easy to navigate.*

**Musical Prelude**—Jay Surdell

**Greeting**—Larry Love

**Song**—*“From you I receive, to you I give, together we share, and from this we live.”*

**Our shared life together, aka, announcements**—

*“Here are some things our church offers this week that might help us experience the power of life together as God’s children.”*

**Call to Worship**—Larry Love

**Opening Song**—*“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” Chalice Hymnal #517  
(Verses #1, 2, & 3)*

1. Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth comes down;  
fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown,  
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.
2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast;  
let us all in thee inherit, let us find thy promised rest;  
take away our love of sinning; alpha and omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.
3. Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return and never, nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,  
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love..

Words: Charles Wesley; Music : John Zundel  
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**Opening Prayer**—Unison—Pastor Larry

Gracious God,

We light these candles to affirm that where there is light, there is understanding;  
where there is understanding, there is compassion;  
where there is compassion, there is possibility;  
where there is possibility; there is transformation.

Holy and Living God, transform our fears into awe-inspired wonder.

Open us to this light, and to the rich possibilities that it brings us  
for a “wonder-full” life. In the name of our teacher Jesus. Amen.

**Response**—“*A Wonder Full Life Song*”

To be full of love, to be full of grace,  
To be full of peace is a wonder full life!

Giving others love, Giving others grace,  
Giving others peace is a wonder full life!

**A Story for Children of All Ages**—Jeanelyse Doran

**Scripture Text**—*Psalm 133*—Beth Erickson

**Special Music**—“*This Is My Father’s World*” sung by Sarah Tarleton  
(Written by C. Barny Robertson, Dp, Maltbie Babcock)

**Message**—“*Investing in the Beloved Community*”—Larry Love—Acts 4:32-35

**Song of Commitment**—“*They’ll Know We Are Christians*” *Chalice Hymnal #494*  
(Verses #1, 2, & 4)

1. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;  
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;  
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

**Refrain:**

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;  
we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;  
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land. *(to Refrain)*

4. All praise to the Father, from whom all things come;  
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God’s only Son,  
and all praise to the Spirit who makes us one. *(to Refrain)*

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## Prayers of the Community...and Lord's Prayer—Pastor Larry Love

### Responsive Song, “O Lord, Hear My Prayer”

O Lord, hear my prayer; O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.  
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise: All my hope comes from God.  
The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.

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### Call to Stewardship and Prayer—Beth Erickson

### Song of Response—“ Be Thou My Vision ” (Verse 3) Chalice Hymnal #595

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,  
thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

### Communion—Call—Words of Institution—Communion—Peace—Prayer

### Closing Song—“ Be Thou My Vision ” Chalice Hymnal #595 (Verses #1, 2 & 4)

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught  
be all else to me, save that thou art,  
thou my best thought by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my redeemer, my love thou hast won,  
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.
4. Great God of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Words: Irish song (8<sup>th</sup> Century); tr. Mary Elizabeth Byrne; Versed by Eleanor Henrietta Hull  
Music: Traditional Irish melody  
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### Benediction

One more time, we remember George and Mary Bailey's words of hospitality:  
“Bread! That this house may never know hunger.

Salt! That life may always have flavor.  
And wine! That joy and prosperity may reign forever.”

May you be ever grateful for  
the Bread of Life and  
the Cup of Love.

And may you always savor the flavor of a life well-seasoned with generosity.

You have been reminded of these things here in this time together,  
now go and do likewise in the world,  
for it IS “a wonderful life!”

## **Postlude and Fellowship**

### **Announcements:**

- Today—2020 Stewardship Emphasis continues—“It’s a Wonderful Life”
- Today—Live stream worship at 8:30 a.m.
- Today—Zoom worship, 10 a.m.
- Today—Commitment Sunday drive through the church parking lot to drop off commitment cards and canned goods for the Food Closet...and to receive a thank you gift from your stewardship team, 12:00-1:00 p.m.
- Monday—Monday fellowship in the courtyard, 9:30 a.m.
- Monday—Annual Reports Due
- Monday—Newsletter articles due to Greg Hayakawa
- Tuesday—Prayer time via Zoom, 11 a.m.
- Tuesday—**Resource Ministry Meeting**, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday—Children’s story time, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday—Study group discussion on how we deal with fear, 7 p.m.
- Friday and Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>—Community Food Drive in the church parking lot.

- Next Sunday—Welcome Table Worship, 8 a.m. Contact Beja Springer for Zoom link.
- Next Sunday—live streaming worship via Facebook and website, 8:30 a.m.
- Next Sunday Zoom worship, 10 a.m.
- We are in the process of preparing for **WEMM Christmas baskets** for hungry families here in Woodland. We are again responsible for 600 cans of fruit. **Lon Springer** will once again find a good price for peaches and purchase them all for us. If you would like to make a donation to the baskets, please give the money directly to Lon.
- **Sarah Tarleton** is participating in a blanket drive for **HomeAid Sacramento**, a non-profit that works with homeless families. If you would like to donate a twin sized blanket, you can bring it by the church (leave it in the Gravink Room (next to Larry's office) and Sarah will pick it up before December 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Another way to participate in this is to give some money directly to **Ann Edwards** and Ann will purchase blankets through Amazon. Each blanket costs about \$25. Please let Ann know if you have donated a blanket. Since we will not be needing very many poinsettias this year, you can give a blanket in memory or honor of a loved one.
- The November/December issue of the Upper Room devotionals are available now. Contact Pastor Larry if you would like a copy.
- Zoom instructions and etiquette—Click on the highlighted Zoom link in the email Jeanelyse sent...Download the Zoom app if it asks you to (it is safe)...Please make sure you click the mute button on the bottom left of the zoom screen. It looks like a microphone. If you are not muted, everything you say can be heard by everyone else. You can unmute temporarily by pressing the space bar on your computer or by clicking on the microphone icon.
- If you would like to join in the sharing of communion, please have some bread, crackers or cookies and some juice, water or milk within reach.
- If you have announcements or prayer requests, please contact Larry (530-666-2069 or [pastorlarrywcc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pastorlarrywcc@sbcglobal.net)). You can also write announcements or prayer requests in the "Chat" box at the bottom of the Zoom screen.
- Larry's work hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday.
- Greg Hayakawa's work hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact # 530-304-5153
- Though church life is dramatically changed, our ministry continues in new and exciting ways. Please continue to support the life and ministry of the Christian Church of Woodland. You can mail your offering to 509 College Street, Woodland, 95695...or you can give electronically through our website.

## Prayer Requests

- Prayer of thanks that **Robyn Stiles** now has the keys to her new home.
- Prayers for **Jim and Mary Johnson** as Jim is dealing with tongue cancer. *Jim is the cousin of Susie Hardman's brother-in-law.*
- Prayers of thanks for successful surgery for **Polly Swilley, Linda Tuman's cousin** who had surgery on November 1<sup>st</sup> to remove her arm and shoulder.
- Prayers for **Mike and Jane Love, Jeremy, Shelby, Braden and Kailee Cooper** at the suicide of son, brother, grandson, **Brodie Cooper**, in Eugene, Oregon.
- Prayers for **Frances Hernandez** as she recovers from surgery.
- Prayers for **Jeanelyse Doran, the Zeiger family, the Parker family, the Shull family, and Jodi and Shawn Fisher and family** as they continue to mourn recent deaths of loved ones.
- **Chuck K.—Ann Edwards' trainer** who had surgery on both feet recently.
- **Bill and Jan Powell's friends, Eric and Sean**, both dealing with cancer.
- **Janiese Jenkin's neighbors, Greg and Susan** at the death of their only son, **Brock**, in a motorcycle accident. Also prayers for Renee who is Brock's mother.
- **Deanna Hinkle** is in a rehab facility in Elk Grove
- **Flo Tinsley** who is enduring a lot of spine pain and concern for family well-being
- **Conni Crandall** at the death of her husband, **Greg**
- **Jenny Bietel, Janese Jenkins' niece**, recovering from cancer surgery.
- Prayers for the healing of our country following in this difficult post-election time.
- Prayers as the COVID-19 pandemic surges nation-wide. Doctors nurses and other hospital workers...and all essential workers. The unemployed...and struggling businesses. People in danger of losing their housing.
- Aldersons Convalescent Hospital
- Students and teachers, parents and grandparents dealing with online school.
- Our country's ongoing struggle with racism.
- Ongoing prayers for: **Joyce Henning, Roy Holmes, Leigh Dieckmann, Shirley Wilson, Donald Dunn, Ana Mangandi seeking a job, Alice Schoner, Katharine (Patty Overfield's mother), Edith (Pam Prater's mother), Hilary Oldenkamp (Love's family friend), Becky Holland.**