

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Woodland
Bulletin, November 8, 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—“*Be Thou My Vision*” *Chalice Hymnal #595 (Verses #1 & 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.
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 (8th Century); tr. Mary Elizabeth Byrne; Versed by Eleanor Henrietta Hull

Music: Traditional Irish melody

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Our shared life together, aka, announcements—

“Here are some things our church offers this week that might help us live out our courageous vision of a light and life-filled world.”

Call to Worship—Larry Love

Opening Song—“*I Am the Light of the World*” *Chalice Hymnal #469*
(Verses #2, 3, & 4)

Refrain:

“I am the light of the world! You people come and follow me!”
If you follow and love you’ll learn the mystery
of what you were meant to do and be.

2. To find the lost and lonely one, to heal the broken soul with love,
to feed the hungry children with warmth and good food,
to feel the earth below, the sky above! (Refrain)
3. To free the pris'ner from all chains, to make the powerful care,
to rebuild the nations with strength of good will,
to see God's children ev'rywhere! (Refrain)
4. To bring hope to ev'ry task you do, to dance at a baby's new birth,
to make music in an old person's heart, and sing to the colors of the earth! (Refrain)

Words by Jim Strathdee (in response to a Christmas poem by Howard Thurman)

Music by Jim Strathdee

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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—Nancy Love

Scripture Text—Nancy Love

Piano Solo—Jay Surdell

Message—“*Saving for a Good Future*”—Pastor Larry Love—1 Timothy 6:17-19

Song of Commitment—“*Fill the World with Love*” Chalice Hymnal #467 (Verses #1, 3, & 4)

1. With the vision in our minds of how the world could be,
and the fullness of our hearts from the suffering we see;
when we make all that we are and have part of God's destiny,
we can fill the world with love, we can fill the world with love.

3. We whose spirits long to share, long to comfort and to heal,
know that when we act alone, hope is difficult to feel;
but together as we labor God's compassion to reveal
we will fill the world with love, we will fill the world with love.
4. Let us hesitate no longer in our doubt and our dismay;
there's a pow'r at work within us that has promised a new day.
And the time will surely come, it will not be long delayed
when God fills the world with love, when God fills the world with love.

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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—Nancy Love

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—Larry Love

Words of Institution—Communion—Peace—Prayer

Closing Song—“One Spirit of Love” #151 in Chalice Praise (Verses #1 & 3)

1. Many are the wonders of God, many doors open wide,
many roads that are still untraveled.
Many are the gifts that we share; many burdens we bear,
many mysteries still unraveled.

Refrain:

Many gifts, one spirit of love, one spirit of love.
Many gifts, one spirit of love, one spirit of love.

3. Living as the body of Christ and the heart of the earth
and the hands that will break new ground.
Celebrate the gifts from within; now it's time to begin.
God's people can turn the world around now.

Refrain:

Many gifts, one spirit of love, one spirit of love.
Many gifts, one spirit of love, one spirit of love.
One spirit of love, one spirit of love.

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Benediction

Again, the Bailey's blessing from *It's a Wonderful Life*:

“Bread! That this house may never know hunger.

Salt! That life may always have flavor.

And wine! That joy and prosperity may reign forever.”

Today we have affirmed that “prosperity” comes not with the accumulation of as much stuff as possible, but with the use of what we have accumulated in a way that keeps us “looking out” for others, being mindful of the well-being of others, and that helps fuel the movement of justice on earth.

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—Welcome Table Worship, 8 a.m. Contact **Beja Springer** for Zoom link.
- Today—Live stream worship at 8:30 a.m.
- Today—Zoom worship, 10 a.m.
- Monday—Monday fellowship in the courtyard, 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesday—Prayer time via Zoom, 11 a.m.
- Tuesday, 12:30 p.m.—**Diane Wilson** book study on racism. For the Zoom link, please contact Larry Love.
- Tuesday—Program Ministry Meeting via Zoom, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday—Children’s story time, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday—Study group discussion on how we deal with fear, 7 p.m.
- Next Sunday—live streaming worship via Facebook and website, 8:30 a.m.
- Next Sunday Zoom worship, 10 a.m.
- Next Sunday—**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, November 17th—Annual Reports Due to Greg Hayakawa
- Friday and Saturday, November 20th-21st—**COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE** in the church parking lot.
- Stewardship emphasis book by **Maggie Kulyk** is available.
- 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). 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:

- Prayers of thanks for successful surgery for **Polly Swilley**, *Linda Tuman's cousin* who had surgery on November 1st 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 on Friday.
- Prayers for **Jeanelyse Doran, the Zeiger family, the Parker family, and the Shull family** as they continue to mourn recent deaths of loved ones.
- Prayers for **Jodi and Shawn Fisher and all of the family of Gloria Ackley** who passed away recently.
- Prayers for **Roy Holmes** who is dealing with lesions on his eye
- **Leigh Dieckmann** regarding changes in her life.
- **Bill and Jan Powell's friends, Eric and Sean**, both of whom are dealing with cancer.
- **Deanna Hinkle** is in a rehab facility in Elk Grove (Windsor Elk Grove Care and Rehab, 9461 Batey Ave., Elk Grove, CA 95624) and hoping to get back to Woodland soon.
Prayers for a room at Alderson's here in Woodland.
- **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 a difficult and divisive election season.
- 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.
- Alderson Convalescent Hospital
- Students and teachers, parents and grandparents dealing with online school.
- Our country's ongoing struggle with racism.
- Ongoing prayers for: **Joyce Henning, 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, Joyce Henning