

Welcome to Worship

Sunday, April 28, 2024

10:00 AM

Being a Branch



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Church Office hours Monday - Thursday 9:00 – 4:00
(Closed for lunch between 12:00 and 1:00)

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude: *To God Be the Glory* Mary Bellah
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Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Arr. Joel Raney, ©2006 Hope Publishing Company

Processional Hymn *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* UMH #89

Greeting/Announcements Pastor Deb

***Call to Worship** Liturgist

Liturgist: Easter people, we have been saved by the Risen Christ, the life-giving Vine.

People: We abide in Love, the life-giving Vine.

Liturgist: We are branches of the Vine—sustained, nurtured, and pruned by Love.

People: We have no life apart from Love, the life-giving Vine.

Liturgist: When we make our home in the Vine, and the Vine makes a home in us, we bear the fruit of Love.

People: We produce the fruit of Love, the life-giving Vine.

Liturgist: Easter people, how shall we bear the fruit of Love, the life-giving Vine?

People: We will love and learn to love as we rest, play, work, and build community with God and one another. Amen.

***Opening Hymn:** *The Lord of Life, a Vine Is He* On Screen

Unison Prayer

Wondrous Vinegrower; you make all things new in water and Word, feeding your people with love, joy, and peace. Lead us today and every day to the font of new beginnings. Teach us to love what you have commanded and to prune what does not nourish your creation. In the name of the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Psalm Psalm 22: 25-31 Liturgist

Gospel Lesson John 15: 1-8

Liturgist: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Children's Message Pastor Deb

Choral Anthem: *I Am the Holy Vine*

By Leonard Bobrowski, © 1999 Selah Publishing Co., Inc.

Sermon	<i>Being a Branch</i>	Pastor Deb
Invitation to Prayer	<i>Just as I Am Without One Plea, verse 4</i>	UMH #357
Prayers of the People		Pastor Deb
The Lord's Prayer (sung)		On Screen
Invitation to the Offering		Liturgist
Offertory	<i>The Abundant Life</i> <small>By Garrett Parker ©2004 Lorenz Publishing Company</small>	Mary Bellah
*Offertory Response	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH #94
*Prayer of Dedication		Liturgist
Closing Hymn	<i>Sent Forth by God's Blessing</i>	UMH #664
Benediction		Pastor Deb
Postlude	<i>Bourree</i> <small>Handel/Smith, ©1989 Lorenz Publishing Company</small>	Mary Bellah
Liturgist		Marilyn Rutkowski
Stephen Minister		Louise O'Donald
Flowers	Donated by Rob and Diane Coleman in Loving Memory of our Moms. Arranged by Diane Coleman.	

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United Methodist Church Mission

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our Mission at Vista de la Montaña United Methodist Church

To reach out to others to help them meet their needs and to welcome them into our family of faith as we gather for worship, fellowship, education, and service.

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In Need of Continued Prayers for Healing

Dr. Chuck & Sandy Crown, Jan Crown, Charlotte De Windt, Florence Duckett, Kay Gragg, Bill Gureck, Fran Hampton, Bob & Eileen Herd, Peggy Hoeft, Pam Holder, Barbara Horton, Ken & Sharon Hunt, Don & Betty Little, Margaret Overman, Allen & Barbara Phillips, Diane Podlasek, Sharon Poole, Pete Rice, Mary Louise & Walt Roberson, Art Schweitzer, Cliff Terry, and Howard & Mary Lou Young.

Prayers for our Churches

Each month churches in the South District pray with and for each other. This month we pray for the pastors, congregation, and community of the following:

First UMC, Safford

First UMC, Tucson

Campus Ministry, University of Arizona, Tucson

Our sister church, Fuente de Vida in Agua Prieta, Mexico.