Welcome! We are glad you have chosen to worship with us. This is the Lord's house, and all are welcome here. We practice open hearts, open minds, and open doors. If you are able, please stand while speaking or singing when indicated by an asterisk\*.

Gathering

"There's Something About That Name"

**UMH 171** 

Jesus, Jesus! There's just something about that name!

Master, Savior, Jesus! Like the fragrance after the rain.

Jesus, Jesus! Let all heaven and earth proclaim:

Kings and kingdoms will all pass away, but there's something about that name!

Welcome and Announcements

Marcia Halpin

Prelude and Receiving the Light of Christ

Jill Jones-Lazuka & Acolyte

\*Call to Worship Marcia Halpin

Leader: Come, you who feel the weight of insufficiency, doubts, and fears.

People: We come acknowledging our weaknesses yet seeking the God who is stronger than all our limitations.

Leader: Remember: God is our strength and shield, our rock and our fortress.

People: We will not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord our God is with us wherever we go.

Leader: God's grace is sufficient for us, and His power is made perfect in our weakness.

People: Therefore, we will boast in our weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest upon us.

Leader: Let us draw near with confidence, for God cares for us and His love never ends.

People: We cast all our anxieties on Him, trusting His peace to guard our hearts and minds.

All: Let us worship God—limitless in power and love—whose purposes cannot be thwarted by our insecurities. Amen.

\* Hymn of Praise

"Lord of the Dance"

**UMH 261** 

You may be Seated

Solo Tom Halpin

The Lord's Prayer Marcia Halpin

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Hymn of Preparation "My Hope is Built" UMH 368

\* Scripture Reading Jeremiah 1:4-10 Pastor Fabian

A prophet to the nations

- 1:4 Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,
- 1:5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."
- 1:6 Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."
- 1:7 But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy,' for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.
- 1:8 Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."
- 1:9 Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth, and the LORD said to me,
- "Now I have put my words in your mouth.
- 1:10 See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Message "My Insecurities Do Not Limit God" Pastor Fabian

\* Hymn of Response "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" W & S 3104

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that save a wretch like me! I once was lost by now am found; was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear; and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

#### Refrain:

My chains are gone, I've been set free.

My God, my Savior, has ransomed me.

And like a flood his mercy reigns, unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures. He will my shield and portions be as long as life endures.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forebear to shine. But God who called me here below, will be forever mine, will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

\*Offertory Prayer Marcia Halpin

Gracious God, may these offerings be a testament to our trust that You can use our imperfect lives and our humble gifts to accomplish Your perfect purposes. Use these resources, and use us, to shine Your light, share Your love, and make Your name known—both in our community and throughout the world. Amen.

Offertory Music Jill Jones-Lazuka

\* Congregational Response

"Doxology"

**UMH 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!

\* Sending Forth

"Lord of the Dance"

Jill Jones-Lazuka & Acolytes

Dance, then, wherever you may be, I am the Lord of the dance, said he, And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

\* Blessing and Benediction

**Pastor Fabian** 

## Prayer Updates 8/17/2025

Family and Friends of Mary Jane Childers—Frances Eldridge's sister Cindy Weiland Green—hip surgery (Saundra Gilmore)

Marlon Lazuka

Molly Strassel—cancer (Marion Barwick)

Eric Webster—shingles—David Webster's brother (Judy Webster)

#### This Weeks Birthdays and Anniversaries

August 27 Gay Teeple

August 30 Debi Maki

August 31 Terry & Catherine Harris

## **Messages & Other Notes**

**Walk to Emmaus Information Meeting**—An informational meeting about the Walk to Emmaus will be held on **Tuesday, August 26, at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall**. A representative will be present to explain the program and answer questions. All are welcome to attend.

Lay Leadership Committee • Thu, Aug 28 • 4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall All members, please attend.

**5th Sunday Lunch – August 31.** Join us on Sunday, August 31, immediately following the morning service for our 5th Sunday Lunch. Please bring a favorite side dish, dessert, or salad to share, and enjoy a time of fellowship and good food together.



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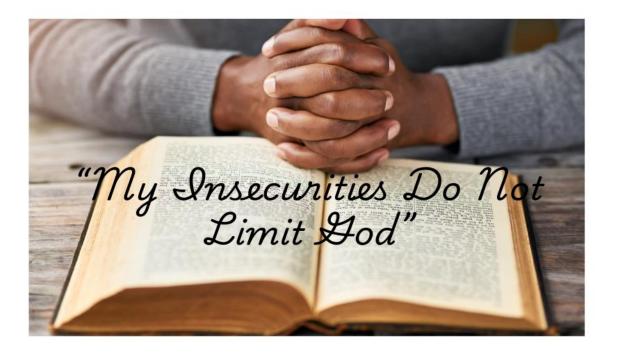
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### August 24, 2025

# 11th Sunday After Pentecost

The Mission of Monterey United Methodist Church is to be servants of God, by responding to the needs of the Monterey community in such a way that everyone in Monterey knows the transforming love of Jesus.



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| Sundays | Small Group     | 9:45 a.m.  | - | 10:45 a.m. |
|---------|-----------------|------------|---|------------|
|         | Worship         | 11:00 a.m. | - | 12:00 p.m. |
|         | Choir Rehearsal | 12:00 p.m. | - | 1:00 p.m.  |
|         | AA Group        | 6:00 p.m.  | - | 7:00 p.m.  |
| Mondays | Lunch Bunch     | 11:30 a.m. | - | 12:30 p.m. |
| Fridays | Lunch Bunch     | 11:30 a.m. |   | 12:30 p.m. |