

Welcome! We are so glad you've chosen to worship with us today. This is the Lord's house, and here everyone is truly welcome. Our doors, our hearts, and our minds are open to you.

We invite you to make yourself at home in this sacred space, and to join fully in worship as we sing, pray, and praise God together. When you see an asterisk (*) in the bulletin, please stand as you are able—your presence and participation bring life and joy to our worship.

Gathering "Majesty, Worship His Majesty" UMH 176

**Majesty, worship his majesty; unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority, flow from his throne, unto his own; his anthem raise.
So exalt, lift up on high the Name of Jesus. Magnify, come glorify, Christ Jesus the King.
Majesty, worship his majesty; Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.**

Welcome and Announcements Sandi Vanacore

Prelude and Receiving the Light of Christ Jill Jones-Lazuka & Acolytes

*Call to Worship by Lisa Hancock Sandi Vanacore

Leader: When our way seems unclear, and we are surrounded by loud and conflicting voices...

People: God will provide.

Leader: When we, like Abraham, are trying to be faithful and seem to have no good choices available to us...

People: God will provide.

Leader: When we, like Isaac, are led by those we trust into unjust and harmful situations...

People: God will provide.

Leader: Family in Christ, we gather today to worship God, who meets us in places of fear, confusion, and despair.

People: We gather to worship God, who provides a way toward abundant life when no way can be found. Thanks be to God! Amen.

* Hymn of Praise "Ye Servants of God" UMH 181

*Affirmation of Faith UMH 888

* Choral Response "Gloria Patri" UMH 70

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and every shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.**

*Hymn of Preparation "We Walk by Faith" TFWS 2196

**We walk by faith, and not by sight: No gracious words we hear
of him who spoke as non e'er spoke, but we believe him near.**

**We may not touch his hands and side, nor follow where he trod;
yet in his promise we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"**

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief and may our faith abound;

To call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found:

That when our life of faith is done in realms of clearer light

We may behold you as you are in full and endless sight.

* Scripture Reading Genesis 22:1-14 Pastor Fabian

page #17 in the Old Testament of the Church Bible

The testing of Abraham

22:1After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." 22:2He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." 22:3So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. 22:4On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. 22:5Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." 22:6Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. And the two of them walked on together. 22:7Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" 22:8Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." And the two of them walked on together.

22:9When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar on top of the wood. 22:10Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. 22:11But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." 22:12He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." 22:13And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. 22:14So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide," as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

Message "God Will Provide" Pastor Fabian

*Hymn of Response "Here I Am, Lord" UMH 593

* Offertory Prayer Sandi Vanacore

Faithful Provider, we bring our gifts with trembling hands and trusting hearts. Like Abraham on the mountain, we don't always understand the path ahead, but we believe in your promise: that you will provide. We offer these gifts, not as bargains or sacrifices to earn your love, but as signs of our trust in you. Use them, we pray, to bless others—to meet needs, to heal hurts, to build hope. And as you provide for the world through us, keep us faithful to your calling, even when the way is unclear. May our giving be our "Here I am," ready and willing to serve. In Christ's name, Amen. (Genesis 22:1-14)

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! Alleluia!

* Sending Forth "Here I Am, Lord" Jill Jones-Lazuka & Acolytes

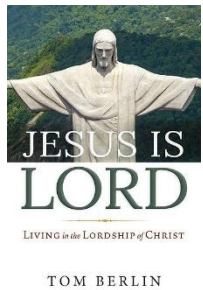
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

* Blessing and Benediction Pastor Fabian

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This Week's Birthdays

June 30 Fabian Valtierra
July 1 Terry Harris
July 2 Kathy Herron
July 3 Kathy Brandes

Messages & Other Notes



New Bible Study Beginning July 13

Join us for a new Bible study, "Jesus is Lord," beginning **Monday, July 13, at 5:00 PM.**

This study will meet at the church and will also be available via Zoom for those who wish to participate remotely. Whether you attend in person or online, we invite you to be part of this opportunity to grow in faith, deepen your understanding of Scripture, and enjoy fellowship with others. We hope you will join us!

Church Anniversary Display Request

As we prepare to celebrate Monterey United Methodist Church's Anniversary on **September 12, 2026**, we are gathering items for a special historical display. If you have any **old photographs, church bulletins, directories, newspaper articles, or other church memorabilia** that you would be willing to share, please bring them to the church office.

These items will help us celebrate and preserve the rich history of our church family. Please be sure to label any items you would like returned.

Thank you for helping us tell the story of God's faithfulness through the years!

Upper Rooms Available

The new *Upper Room* devotionals are available on the table in the hallway. Please take one.



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5th 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	Agape Thrift	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Mondays	Lunch Bunch	11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Fridays	Agape Thrift	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
	Lunch Bunch	11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.