

<i>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.</i>		
Gathering	“Cry of my Heart”	TFWS 2165
Refrain: It is the cry of my heart to follow you. It is the cry of my heart to be close to you. It is the cry of my heart to follow all of the days of my life. Teach me your holy ways, O Lord, so I can walk in your truth. Teach me your holy ways, O Lord, and make me wholly devoted to you. (Refrain) Open my eyes so I can see the wonderful things you do. Open my heart up more and more, and make me wholly devoted to you. (Refrain)		
Welcome and Announcements		Lynn Connor
Prelude and Receiving the Light of Christ		Jill Jones-Lazuka & Acolytes
*Call to Worship	by Lisa Hancock	Lynn Connor
Leader: Beloved, this is the core of our faith: nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. People: Thanks be to God! Leader: God’s never-ending love surrounds us and calls us, assuring us that through God’s love, all things will work together for God’s good purposes. People: Thanks be to God! Leader: God’s never-breaking love empowers us in the face of temptation, distress, division, and scarcity to hold onto our faith and work together for the flourishing of all God’s good creation. People: Thanks be to God! Leader: Come, let us worship God who is Love, trusting that through joy and sorrow, happiness and despair, contentment and pain, Love will carry us through. People: Thanks be to God who forms, connects, and guides us through Love. Amen.		
* Hymn of Praise	“Since Jesus Came into My Heart”	TFWS 2140
What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought since Jesus came into my heart! I have light in my soul for which long I had sought, since Jesus came into my heart!		
Refrain: Since Jesus came into my heart, since Jesus came into my heart, floods of joy o’er my soul like the sea billows roll, since Jesus came into my heart.		

I have ceased from my wandering and going astray, since Jesus came into my heart! And my sins, which were many, are all washed away, since Jesus came into my heart! (Refrain) I’m possessed of a hope that is steadfast and sure, since Jesus came into my heart! And no dark clouds of doubt now my pathway obscure, since Jesus came into my heart! (Refrain) There’s a light in the valley of death nor for me, since Jesus came into my heart! And the gates of the City beyond I can see, since Jesus came into my heart! (Refrain) I shall go there to dwell in that City, I know, since Jesus came into my heart! And I’m happy, so happy, as onward I go, since Jesus came into my heart! (Refrain)		
Anthem	“Delight Yourself in the Lord”	Choir
*Affirmation of Faith		UMH 887
*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	“I Know Whom I Have Believed”	UMH 714
* Scripture Reading	Romans 8:26-39 <u>page #148 in the New Testament of the Church Bible See Insert</u>	Pastor Fabian
Message	“More Than Conquerors”	Pastor Fabian
*Hymn of Response	“You Are My All in All”	W&S 3040
You are my strength when I am weak. You are the treasure that I seek. You are my all in all. Seeking you as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I’d be a fool. You are my all in all.		
Refrain: Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name. Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.		
Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again I bless your name, you are my all in all. When I fall down you pick me up. When I am dry you fill my cup. You are my all in all. (Refrain)		

* Offertory Prayer Lynn Connor

Steadfast God, you search our hearts and know our needs even when we struggle to find the words. In your mercy, you strengthen us in our weakness and bind us together in love that cannot be broken. As we bring these gifts today, may they bear witness to your enduring promise: that nothing—not hardship, nor fear, nor even death itself—can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus. Bless these offerings, that they may bring hope to the weary, peace to the troubled, and joy to the hearts of your people. Through Christ, our Redeemer and Companion, we pray. Amen. (Romans 8:26-39)

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 “Since Jesus Came into My Heart” Jill Jones-Lazuka & Acolytes

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floods of joy o’er my soul like the sea billows roll,
since Jesus came into my heart.**

* Blessing and Benediction Pastor Fabian

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Prayer Request 07/19/2026

Barbara Allen
Catherine Webster

This Week’s Birthdays

July 28 Lee Driscoll
July 28 Linda Jensen

Messages & Other Notes

Church Anniversary Display

As we prepare for our Church Anniversary Celebration on September 12, we're collecting old photos, bulletins, directories, newspaper articles, and other church memorabilia for a special display. Catherine Harris has placed a collection box on the table in the hallway where you may drop off your items. Please label anything you would like returned.



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*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. - 1:00 p.m.
Mondays	Lunch Bunch	11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Fridays	Agape Thrift	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
	Lunch Bunch	11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

* Scripture Reading Romans 8:26-39 Pastor Fabian

page #148 in the New Testament of the Church Bible

Nothing can separate us from God's love

8:26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words.

8:27 And God, who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

8:28 We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.

8:29 For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family.

8:30 And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

8:31 What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us?

8:32 He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else?

8:33 Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

8:34 Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us.

8:35 Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword?

8:36 As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

8:37 No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us.

8:38 For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers,

8:39 nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.