

Announcements

- Children and youth are invited to Faith Formation class following the Passing of the Peace. We also have a hugging room at the back of the sanctuary for parents with young children to use as desired.
- Join our hybrid Bible Study on Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. Contact Pastor Jim if you would like to receive a Zoom link to join virtually.
- Love of God (L.O.G.) retreat is March 6-8th. It is for youth, grades 8 - 12 and they are invited to attend.
- The Human Phenomenon: a 3-part illustrated series focusing on the spiritual vision of Pierre Teilhard de Chardin. Ernie Tamminga will do an adult Ed class in the Common Room for 3 Sundays after church starting on February 22, at 11:00 a.m.

GOLETA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MARCH 1, 2026

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

PRELUDE

“This Is My Father’s World”

Dale Wood

“How Great Thou Art”

Dale Wood

WELCOME

Rev. Jim Pazan

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *from Psalm 121*

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills—

People: from where will my help come?

Leader: My help comes from the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

***HYMN OF PRAISE #473** “For the Beauty of the Earth”

Verse 1

For the beauty of the earth, For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies.

Refrain:

Lord of all, to Thee we raise, This our hymn of grateful praise.

Verse 2

For the wonder of each hour Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, Sun and moon, and stars of light. **(Refrain)**

Verse 3

For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind’s delight,
For the mystic harmony Linking sense to sound and sight. **(Refrain)**

Verse 4

*please rise in body or spirit

For the joy of human love, Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above, For all gentle thoughts and mild. **(Refrain)**

Verse 5

For Thy Church, that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love. **(Refrain)**

CALL TO CONFESSION

We need God's help. Therefore, let us approach God's throne of grace and honestly confess all that keeps us from right relationship. Let confess in prayer, first with a time of silent reflection and then together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Gracious God, as we wander through the wilderness this Lent, we are aware of our need for your presence, your love, your guidance on life's journey. Forgive us for turning away from you. Forgive our doubt and uncertainty that led us to place our faith in worldly comforts that don't run deep enough and don't last. We come to your well this Lent desperate and thirsty for Christ's living water. Quench our thirst, we pray. Grant us your forgiveness and your grace. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Leader: "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." Know that you are forgiven in Jesus Christ, and be at peace.

People: Thanks be to God!

BAND AND CHOIR ANTHEM "In Remembrance" Buryl Red

*In remembrance of me, eat this bread.
In remembrance of me, drink this wine.
In remembrance of me, pray for the time
When God's own will is done.*

*In remembrance of me, heal the sick.
In remembrance of me, feed the poor.
In remembrance of me, open the door
And let your brother in, let him in.*

*Take, eat and be comforted.
Drink, and remember, too,
That this is body and precious blood
Shed for you, shed for you.*

*In remembrance of me, search for truth.
In remembrance of me, always love.
In remembrance of me, don't look above,
But in your heart, in your heart.
Look in your heart for God.*

*Do this in remembrance of me.
Do this in remembrance of me,
In remembrance of me.*

PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with you

People: And also with you

HYMN OF PREPARATION #84 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

Verse 1

*please rise in body or spirit

In the cross of Christ I glory, Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story Gathers round its head sublime.

Verse 2

When the woes of life o'ertake me, Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me: Lo! it glows with peace and joy.

Verse 3

When the sun of bliss is beaming Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming Adds more luster to the day.

Verse 4

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure, Joys that through all time abide.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Loving God, fountain of every blessing, open us to your life-giving Word, and fill us with your Holy Spirit so that living water may flow through our hearts — a spring of hope for a thirsty world. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 6:5-15

⁵ “And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. ⁶ But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ⁷ “When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. ⁹ “Pray then in this way: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. ¹⁰ Your kingdom come. Your will be

done, on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³ And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one. ¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; ¹⁵ but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

MESSAGE

“A Prayer Roadmap”

Rev. Jim Pazan

HYMN OF RESPONSE #514 “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

Verse 1

Let us talents and tongues employ, Reaching out with a shout of joy:
Bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain:

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Verse 2

Christ is able to make us one. At the table He sets the tone,
Teaching people to live to bless, Love in word and in deed express. **(Refrain)**

Verse 3

Jesus calls us in, sends us out Bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
Gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) everywhere! **(Refrain)**

GATHERING AT THE LORD’S TABLE

“Give Me Jesus”

John W. Work

“There Is a Balm in Gilead”

Gilbert Martin

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Create In Me”

Nancy and Bruce Muskrat

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

And renew a right spirit within me.

*please rise in body or spirit

*Cast me not away from thy presence,
And take not thy spirit from me.*

*Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation,
And uphold me, uphold me with thy free spirit.
And then will I reach transgressors thy ways,
And sinners shall be converted unto thee.*

*Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me,
Within me.*

***DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God, above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***CLOSING SONG** "Benediction"

Spirit Pulse Praise Band; Don Davis, Kris Warner, Janet Votaw,
Ann Lawler, Alison and Ernie Tamminga

Verse 1

My friends may you grow in grace

And in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior
My friends may you grow in

And in the knowledge of Jesus Christ

Chorus

To God be the glory, now and forever
Now and forever, Amen.

To God be the glory, now and forever
Now and forever, Amen.

Verse 2

I pray tonight as we learn from one another,
May we glorify Him.

And if the Lord should bring us back together
May we be in His arms 'til then.

Chorus acapella

Chorus

BENEDICTION

Rev. Jim Pazan

POSTLUDE

"When I Can Read My Title Clear"

Dale Wood

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