

## 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.
- Coffee and Conversation with Pastor Jim. Tuesdays at 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. in Jim's office. All are welcome to come.
- Wednesday Bible Study: Led by Pastor Jim at 12:00 p.m. Join us in person or virtually each week.
- Toddler Time: Fridays in October! Infants – age 5 and a caregiver. Join us for connection, activities, sensory play, music and movement, and open play on the GPC Hill! Email [cyf@goletapres.org](mailto:cyf@goletapres.org) for more information.
- Questers Women's Bible Study, begins the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 in the Common Room. The study books are available on patio for purchase (\$10). See Marilyn with questions.
- LOG Leadership Meeting today at 12:30 p.m. Meet in the youth lounge.

## GOLETA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 1, 2023

PRELUDE

"Prelude and Pastoral"

Alfred V. Fedak

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP *From Psalm 145:1-8*

Elder Deb Artz

Leader: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

**People: Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.**

Leader: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.

**People: One generation shall extol your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts.**

Leader: They will recount the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works I will meditate.

**People: They will proclaim the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness.**

Leader: They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

**People: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #485

"To God Be the Glory"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Elder Deb Artz

**Most merciful God, whose Son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way, yet without sin, we confess before you that we have sinned; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness.**

\*please rise in body or spirit

**Restore in us such love and trust that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will.**

**ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

Leader: Scripture proclaims: "If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!"

**People: The good news of the gospel is this: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia, Amen.**

**CHOIR ANTHEM** "We Gather at One Table" Larry Shackley

**A MOMENT FOR MISSION** "World Communion Sunday" Elder Deb Artz

**PEACE OF CHRIST**

Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with you

**People: And also with you**

**HYMN OF PREPARATION #319** "Spirit"

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

*Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**Acts 15:1-11**

disciples a yoke that neither our ancestors nor we have been able to bear? <sup>11</sup> On the contrary, we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will."

**MESSAGE** "Jesus and..." Rev. Jim Pazan

**HYMN OF RESPONSE #513** "Let Us Break Bread Together"

**GATHERING AT THE LORD'S TABLE** "Fairest Lord Jesus" Gilbert Martin

**OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD** "Prayer for Today" Margaret R. Tucker  
Deb Artz, mezzo soprano

**\*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** Elder Deb Artz

*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** "Put Your Hand in the Hand"  
Spirit Pulse Praise Band; Don Davis, Kris Warner, Janet Votaw, Ann Lawler, Alison  
and Ernie Tamminga

**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. Jim Pazan

**Postlude** "Dialogue and Trumpet Tune" Alfred V. Fedak  
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