

# Revealing Truth Amidst Lies

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**Welcome Visitors!** We are excited that you have chosen to worship with us today; all are welcome and beloved—all races, gender identities, sexual orientations, socio-economic statuses, *everyone*.

#### I. Prelude – (Joshua Hegg)

#### II. Welcome and Announcements - (Pastor Jesse)

- Zoom Check-In on Tuesday at 1:00
- Board Meeting Tuesday at 7:00
- Music Jam Thursday at 11:00
- Thursday Bible study on Zoom at 7:00
- Sacred Grounds, 9:00 next Sunday
- Worship, 10:00 in the sanctuary, Zoom and FaceBook Live

# III. Opening Hymn – CH #677 "Let There Be Peace on Earth" (Joshua Hegg)

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me; Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be

With God our creator, children all are we Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now

With every step I take let this be my solemn vow

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me

# IV. Call to Worship - (Mary Kearns)

Blessed be the Lord of Hosts, who cleanses and heals our lives.

#### Praise be to God!

Blessed be the Holy One, who brings us from despair to hope.

#### Praise be to God!

Blessed be the Giver of Life, who nurtures and comforts us.

# Let us praise God with our whole hearts and souls! AMEN

#### IV. Children's Moment

# V. 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13 NRSV – (Mary Kearns)

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come

to him." Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity." Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the Lord: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun." David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord." Nathan said to David, "Now the Lord has put away your sin; you shall not die.

#### VI. Sermon - "Revealing Truth Amidst Lies" (Pastor Jesse)

#### VII. Song of Invitation – CP #91 "Create in Me a Clean Heart" (Joshua Hegg)

Create in me a clean heart, O God And renew a right spirit within me Create in me a clean heart, O God And renew a right spirit within me Cast me not away from thy presence, O Lord And take not thy Holy Spirit from e. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation And renew a right spirit within me.

#### VIII. Moment for Mission – (Surprise)

IX. Prayers of the People – (Mary Kearns)

#### X. Communion Song CH #393 "One Bread, One Body" (Joshua Hegg)

One bread, one body, one Lord of all One cup of blessing which we bless And we, though many, throughout the earth We are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free Woman or man, no more.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all One cup of blessing which we bless And we, though many, throughout the earth We are one body in this one Lord. Many the gifts, many the works One in the Lord of all

One bread, one body, one Lord of all One cup of blessing which we bless And we, though many, throughout the earth We are one body in this one Lord.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown Gathered to one, for all

One bread, one body, one Lord of all One cup of blessing which we bless And we, though many, throughout the earth We are one body in this one Lord.

XI. Institution of Communion (Elders Barbara Meade and Bill Peterson)

XII. Partaking Communion Together

XIII. Blessing/Benediction (Pastor Jesse)

XIV. Postlude - (Joshua Hegg)

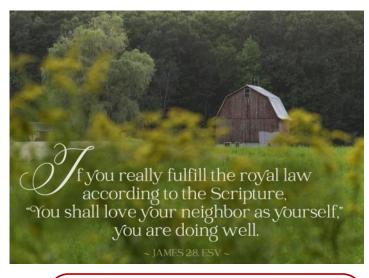
#### NEW New Mask Guidelines for California (Effective July 28th, 2021)

Due to the Delta variant, the CDC and the CDPH are recommending that everyone, regardless of vaccination status, wears a mask in indoor public settings. Please wear a mask.

# This is new as of July 28th, 2021.

# What FCC Chico is doing:

• We are asking everyone to wear a mask. Please wear a mask.



# Looking Ahead

• Wednesday, August 18th, 8 am to noon, Work Day (with pizza to follow!). The focus will be on the kitchen, cleaning, sorting, and inventorying supplies.

# August 1st-8th

#### This Sunday

No Sacred Grounds this week

10:00 a.m.-Indoor Worship in Sanctuary (please bring masks) and Worship Streamed Live on Zoom and Facebook

**CALENDAR** 

# Monday

- 1:30 p.m.—Endowment Meeting, Business Office
- 6:30 p.m.—Journeys of the Heart Bereavement, Spiritual Care Center

# Tuesday

1:00 p.m.-Check-in on Zoom

7:00 p.m.-Church Board Meeting on Zoom

### Thursday

11:00 a.m.-Music Jam practice, all fully vaccinated musicians welcome! Room 4 or Sanctuary7:00 p.m.-Bible Study on Zoom

# Saturday

August 7th, Saturday, Disciples Virtual Gathering To learn more about the event and to register please go to: <u>https://disciples.org/2021-virtual-gathering</u>

# Next Sunday

- 9:00 a.m.-Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Chapel and on <u>Zoom</u>
- 10:00 a.m.-Indoor Worship in Sanctuary (please bring masks) and Worship Streamed Live on Zoom and Facebook

Church Office Administrative Assistant Briony works remotely from home on Fridays.

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# Some FAQs for Visitors

- What is Communion? Communion is a part of each Sunday morning where we remember the last meal that Jesus ate with the disciples by eating bread and drinking grape juice.
- May I receive Communion? Yes! Everyone is invited to receive -- we have no barrier to participating in communion.
- What's a "Doxology"? Some Sundays we will sing a "doxology" (literally "saying of glory") after we receive the offering. It is a prayer written in 1674 and is popular in Protestant Churches -- plus, we love the words.
- Do we say the Lord's Prayer together? We do pray the Lord's Prayer together occasionally on Sunday mornings during the prayer time.
- What else should I know? We'd love to share more of our loving and inclusive community with you. At FCC, you'll find all generations worshipping together and participating in church activities. We have activities for kids and youth, and we love to share in community together.
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