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**Worship Bulletin of the United Methodist Church of Vista**

**Live-stream for Worship at 10 a.m., go to: [livestream.umcvista.org](https://livestream.umcvista.org)**

**In-house and Live-stream Worship**

October 8, 2023

10:00 a.m.

**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Gathering**

**Gathering Music**

**“There is a Fountain”**

Music: Arr. Mary McDonald

Adam Ferrara, Piano

**Pastoral Welcome** with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

**Opening Prayer** with Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister

To you, O God, we lift up our souls. To you we offer our praise and prayer, our worship and thanksgiving, even our very lives. Make your ways known to us. Show us the path on which we should walk. Lead us in your truth and teach us. For you alone are the God who saves, the God in whom we trust; and the One on whom we wait. Amen.

**Song of Welcome**

**We All Are One in Mission** FWS 2243, Vs. 1-3

Words: Rusty Edwards

Music: Finnish Folk Melody

Adam Ferrara

**Sacrament of Baptism** (*James Theodore Kunzman Jackson*)

**\*Children’s Time (and released to Sunday School)**



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## **Sharing the Word**

**Scripture** with Scott Lyons

[Matthew 21:33-46](#) (NRSV)

### **Message**

**The Work of Light**

Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

### **Song of the Word**

**We Are Called** FWS 2172, Vs. 1-3

Words and Music: David Hass

Praise Band

### **Stewardship Moment**

**Pastoral Prayer with Lord's Prayer** with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

## **Response to the Word**

### **Special Music**

**Honey in the Rock**

Words and Music: Brandon Lake, Brooke Ligertwood and Mitch Wong

Praise Band



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**\*Call to Offering and Action** with Rev. Frank Hallock

### **Invitation and Dedication: Prayer**

Generous and giving God, you have offered us a deep and soul-satisfying relationship with you, one that extends far beyond our earthly journey; and too many of us have opted for a “faith-lite” experience. One day a week or a couple of times a month has been a better fit. We have rejected what you so generously offer us, even as we dwell in and are sustained by your vineyard. As we offer our gifts this day, may we better receive the relationship you offer us and may we walk more closely. In Christ’s holy name, we pray. Amen.

### **Commissioned into the World**

#### **Song of Sending**

**God Who Began a Good Work** FWS 2163, Vs. 1 (Repeated twice)

Words and Music: Jon Mohr

Praise Band

**Benediction** with Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw

#### **Postlude**

Praise Band

**Pastors:** Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw, Associate Pastor of Music and Visitation, Rev. Frank Hallock and Dakota Koenig, Certified Lay Minister



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**Praise Band:** Greg Rye, Roy Good, Jimmy Patton, Adam Ferrara, Alden Stoneman, Heather Clarke, Melissa Giard, Heidi Kendall, Barbara Mitchell and Jan Simpson

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### Announcements

**Preparing for Advent:** During Advent we will be building a unique and dynamic nativity scene. Pastor Leigh Ann is collecting a piece from all members of the congregation to create a messy, unusual vision of Christ's birth. Any one piece that is a part of the story of the Nativity is welcome and should be considered a donated gift for someone else. On Christmas Eve all the pieces will be available to take home and added to your family Christmas celebration.

The **Call to Offering and Action** highlights our response to God's love through our action, service and financial support. Each week we pray for a community partner, special project and/or people who are making a difference in our community and world. The United Methodist Church and this local congregation live our faith through our giving in many ways. Your giving starts here and is multiplied by God. Thank you.

**Giving thanks for your Support and Contributions:** You are essential to all we do for Vista and beyond. Please consider making a financial contribution to the ongoing work of this faith community. Your monetary gifts can be dropped in the offering box, put through the secure mail slot near the office or use your credit card at the Scrip table. Thank you!

**Pennies for Heaven** - Help close our ministry gap in 2023. Bring your pennies and add to the decorated penny jar. Our Finance team thanks you for joining in the "fun" to raise our budget for ministry! Check with Sara Baldwin for more on having fun! **As of Sept. 25, we have collected \$1,423! Thanks for your continued support!**

**The nursery is available to receive little ones.** The cry room is also available for parents to use. For more information or questions, see Margene Haase.



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**Special Called Session of Cal-Pac Annual Conference:** On Saturday, November 11, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., our Bishop, Rev. Dottie Escobedo-Frank, has called a special session of annual conference for 2 reasons. First, to review and approve the conference budget for 2024. Second, to vote on the Cal-Pac Board of Trustees' recommendations for churches who have completed process of disaffiliation. For more on this check out our conference website at [calpacumc.org](http://calpacumc.org).

**Youth Happenings**...Youth Group today from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. See John Giard with any questions.

**Missionary serving in Nepal, Katherine Parker**, will be our guest on Tuesday, Oct. 31, to present a program about her service in Nepal. The program will begin at 11:00 a.m. and followed by a free luncheon. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for a lunch count. An offering will be taken to help cover Katherine's travel expenses.



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