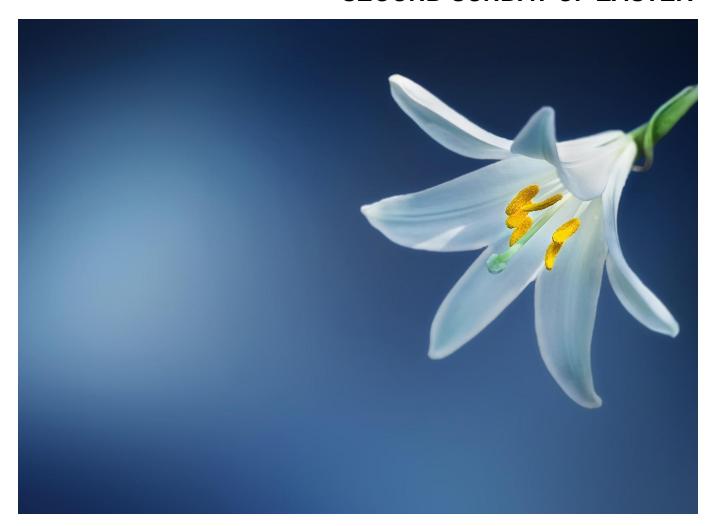
# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



# WELCOME | BIENVENIDOS Apr 11, 2021 | WORSHIP VIDEO

Today's hashtag is: #EdenUCC #BendtheCurve

Eden United Church of Christ is an **LGBTQ Open & Affirming** and a **Sanctuary** congregation.



We believe that all people are children of God; that persons of all ages, races and sexual orientations are part of our increasingly diverse culture. We welcome all persons into the full life and ministry of this church.

Children's bulletins are available from the ushers and nursery care is available during worship. We encourage the posting of worship to social media, just remember to mute devices. And, thank you for bringing no food or beverages into the Sanctuary other than sacramental elements and bottled water.

# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER | ONLINE WORSHIP LINK

OPENING MUSIC | Yours Is the Glory, Resurrected One! | No. 253 | Dr. Jessie Wenchieh Lo

**WELCOME | Rev. Marvin Wiser** 

BIBLE READING | John 20:19-31 | Español | Keith Smith

SERMON | "Doubts? Of Course!" | Rev. Pepper Swanson

HYMN | Hoy celebramos con gozo al Dios | No. 246 | Jessie Lo

OUR PRAYERS: JOYS & CONCERNS | Rev. Dr. Arlene K. Nehring

**OFFERING INVITATION | Keith** 

OFFERTORY | Look, Ye Saints, The Sight Is Glorious | Kelly/Owen | Jessie



**BLESSING | Pastor Pepper** 

POSTLUDE | The Joyful Eastertide | Melody from Psalmen, 1685 | Jessie

#### **TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS**

Rev. Dr. Arlene K. Nehring, Senior Minister

Rev. Pepper Swanson, Associate Minister & Video Editor

Rev. Marvin Lance Wiser, Designated Term Associate Minister

Nadia Tavera, Minister In Training

Dr. Jessie Wenchieh Lo, Organist & Music Director

Keith Smith, Liturgist

### ANNOUNCEMENTS — Upcoming Events

Pat Ball's Memorial: Please join us online at 1 pm today as we celebrate the life and ministry of Pat Ball. To pre-register to receive the Zoom link, click here.

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic at Eden UCC begins Saturday, Apr 17:



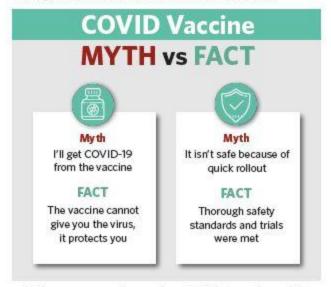


### The Johnson & Johnson vaccine is here!

Stop by our walk-up COVID vaccination clinic on the listed dates and times and get vaccinated for FREE!

The Johnson & Johnson single-dose vaccine will be administered at both walk-up clinic events.

Open to all residents of Ashland and Cherryland who are ages 18 and up. **PLEASE BRING PHOTO ID.** 



To learn more about the COVID vaccine visit our website at www.tvhc.org







### ANNOUNCEMENTS — Ongoing Events

**New Eden UCC Logo Apparel Store:** Looking for the perfect polo, vest, or jacket to wear as you volunteer or participate in outreach events for Eden Church? How about replacing that broken coffee cup? Or buying a gift for a hard-working employee? Look no further than Eden's new <u>Lands End business storefront</u> where you can select your item, in your size, in your color, and apply either a dark or light rainbow logo. To get started click this <u>link</u>. If you have questions, contact <u>Pastor Pepper</u>.

Music Weekly Online on Fridays at 3 pm - BRING YOUR VOICE & FEEL THE SPIRIT!

Music offers great comfort and spiritual support in times good and bad. Starting September

18th, Eden UCC is offering online music meetings every Friday at 3 pm (3 to 4), led by Music

Director Dr. Jessie Lo. There will be a voice warm up, hymn sing, a variety of song selections,
and a music Q&A. Participants have the option of joining the music meetings with or without
participating in the monthly recorded Anthem musical offering. Everyone - all levels & all ages is invited to join! Please email the Music Director, Dr. Jessie Lo, at jessie@edenucc.com to get
the Zoom link and the music materials required for the music meeting.

**Children's Storytime:** Please join us online at 10:15 am on Sunday, immediately prior to Fellowship for show & tell, a story about People in the Bible or a storybook touching on Christian themes, and Children's Prayers. Contact <u>Pastor Pepper</u> for more information.

Comida para Cherryland: Comida para Cherryland now serves the community as a drive-through distribution. Please consider a donation or forward this information to anyone who is looking for a way to help local residents in need of groceries. Since the COVID-19 crisis unfurled, participation in the Comida has expanded geographically and clients served has tripled, due to widespread unemployment and the closure of other area food pantries.

**Seekers Book Club:** The 10:30 am Wednesday Seekers are just starting *Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption by Bryan Stephanson. A second Seekers group, which has a variable schedule, recently completed their read of Eat Joy. Be in touch with Pastor Pepper if you are interested in participating in either group.* 

Cherryland Computer Café Hours: Physical location CLOSED until otherwise noted, but persons may schedule online tutoring help via the <u>Facebook page</u> or by contacting CCC Director, <u>Denise Cuevas</u>. Due to the impact of the pandemic on our community's educational life, the CCC will remain virtually OPEN throughout the winter break to continue to help students catch up and remain on track with their classes, and to assist residents in Unincorporated Alameda County apply for rent relief.

**Church Center:** Church Center is our centralized member and community tool for digital connection. If you have been checked into any event or service, you've already been using it. It's only a click away on our new websites home page and is available for download from the <a href="Apple App Store">Apple App Store</a> or <a href="Google Play Store">Google Play Store</a>. Register with your mobile number, and request to join the groups that you are already a part of or that you would like to be a part of. We are using

this app for communications, check-ins, groups, forms, volunteer management, payments, etc. See Pastor Marvin for more details.

**Eden UCC Mobile Alerts:** Be in the know wherever you go! Text "**EdenUCC**" to **33222** to opt into our text message service so that you can stay informed of important happenings as they occur on our campus and in our ministry together.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS — Opportunities to Give or Serve

Remember to Use the Dropdown Fund Selector: A quick reminder that when you make a digital gift through Planning Center, either online or through the app, use the drop down menu to select your fund designation for your gift. For those who pledge, please use the fund called My Pledge. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Associate Treasurer Jan Bass at jan@sebastian9.com.

"My Giving" in Planning Center: Your contributions to Eden UCC and its many ministries are much appreciated. You may access your giving record in the "My Giving" section of your Church Center App. If you have any questions about using Church Center for digital giving or about viewing your giving history, please contact our Associate Treasurer Jan Bass.

Donations are being accepted for the Deacon's Fund "COVID-19 Relief." To make a tax deductible, secure, online donation click here and choose "COVID-19 Relief" in the drop down menu. Other forms of payment may be mailed to Eden United Church of Christ, 21455 Birch Street, Hayward, CA, 94541. Please make checks payable to "Eden United Church of Christ" and write "COVID-19 Relief" in the memo line. These costs are solely supported by donations from members and friends (not the church's annual budget).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS —Services Available in Our Community

**Meals For Seniors -- Delivered:** If you are 60+ you have access to the "senior meal program" which delivers meals, cheese, milk, eggs and fresh fruit, so that you do not need to leave your home to buy food. In Alameda County call: 510-577-3530. Ask for the "senior meal program." They will return your call to verify your age. Volunteers leave the food at your door. For more information, see their website by clicking <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.

**SOS Meals on Wheels** is offering free home delivered meals to all seniors in the Oakland and Central County areas. The Home-Delivered Meals Program provides nutritious meals, nutrition education, nutrition risk screening and nutrition counseling. Participant contributions are welcome, \*but not required.\* Call the SOS Meals on Wheels Site Contact: Charline Deterline at 510-582-1263 or email <a href="mailto:tara@sosmow.org">tara@sosmow.org</a>.

#### **JOYS**

The **Hayward City Council** waived the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and cleared the way for the construction of a new Transitional Age Youth Shelter to be built on one acre of the 2.5 acre parcel owned by HUSD, where the Student Information & Assessment Center is located on Tyrell Avenue in South Hayward.

**Betty and Dan Livesay** will be moving from Stoneridge Creek in Livermore to Reata Glen in Mission Viejo next month, where they will be surrounded by the majority of their grandchildren!

Welcome to this world, **Isaiah Gregor Matthews**, son of Lacy and Will Mathews, and brother of Magdalena, born Fri, Mar 18 at 11:43 am., weighing 8 lbs. 1 oz, and stretching 22 inches tall.

Mary Ryken was recently hired as the weekend receptionist at Baywood Court.

**Alexandra Romero** has successfully completed her dietetics internship at UCSF and has been offered full-time employment with UCSF serving as a dietetics counselor for clients in the health system's fertility clinic.

**Lauren Smith-Bove** started a new job as line cook in the kitchen at Baywood Court, this past week.

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors has approved a resolution to provide **\$65M** in rent relief for tenants who have been severely impacted economically by the pandemic.

#### PRAYER CONCERNS

For Felicia Canty, Keith Smith's sister, who was hospitalized last Sunday.

For all of our **Contact Tracers** who are contacting community members testing positive for COVID-19, assisting them with Isolation and Quarantine protocols and local resources.

For families in need of **affordable housing**. If you have a lead on a room, an apartment, or a house to rent, please contact Pastor Arlene.

For our first responders, health care workers, households in quarantine, and all other essential personnel including those delivering groceries to homebound residents and teaching children online.

For the family and friends of **Pat Ball**, who died on Tuesday, Mar 24 at Baywood Court. Pat was 96-years old and a Jubilee member of Eden UCC. Pat Ball's Memorial Service has been scheduled for Sunday, Apr 11 at 1 pm on Zoom. To pre-register for the Memorial Service, click here.. For more information, please reach out to Pastor Arlene or Pastor Pepper.

For **the family of Erik Thom**, especially his wife, Michelle, and children, Collin and Kate. Erik died at home on Friday, March 12.He was one of Sandra Nachand's sons-in-law. Memorial planning has been complicated by the pandemic. Check with Pastor Arlene for updates.

For Charlie Smith, who is currently in a rehab hospital in Santa Clara.

For the family of **Alliene Turner's** sister Colliene, whose youngest son Tyler died last month. Prayers for the entire family as they process the shock and sadness of his death.

For **Kimberly Victorio**, who broke her foot in a hiking accident this past week. Kimberly is Eden's Outreach & Education lead for the COVID-19 Response Team, and Consuelo Saldate's oldest daughter.

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, Apr 11

10:00—10:30 am Worship | Video Link

10:30 — 11:00 am Children's Storytime | Online

11:00 — 12:00 pm Fellowship | Online

1:00 — 2:00 pm Memorial for Pat Ball | Online

Monday, Apr 12

1:00 — 2:00 pm Bible Study | Online

4:00 — 7:00 pm Cherryland Computer Café | Online

Tuesday, Apr 13

10:00 — 12:00 pm Eden Crafters | Online

4:00 — 7:00 pm Cherryland Computer Café | Online

7:00 — 9:00 pm Council | Online

Wednesday, Apr 14

10:30 — 11:30 pm Seekers | Online

1:30 — 4:00 pm Comida para Cherryland | OH Parking Lot

1:30 — 4:00 pm Cherryland Computer Café | Online

Thursday, Apr 15

6:00 — 8:00 pm Estudio Biblico | Online

Friday, Apr 16

3:00 — 4:00 pm Eden Choir Practice | Online

Saturday, Apr 17

9:00 am — 4:00 pm Pop-Up Vaccine Clinic | OH Parking Lot

Sunday, Apr 18

10:00—10:30 am Worship | Video Link

10:30 — 11:00 am Children's Storytime | Online

11:00 — 12:00 pm Fellowship | Online

## **COMING ATTRACTIONS**

Apr 13	Council Meeting	May 3	Evening Bible Study
Apr 14	Comida para Cherryland	May 4	Trustees Mtg
Apr 17	Pop-Up Vaccine Clinic	May 8	Pop-Up Vaccine Clinic
Apr 19	Evening Bible Study	May 9	Festival of the Christian Home
Apr 24	Pop-Up Vaccine Clinic	May 11	Council Meeting
Apr 28	Comida para Cherryland	May 12	Comida para Cherryland
May 1	Pop-Up Vaccine Clinic	May 17	Evening Bible Study



# MISSION, VISION, & VALUES | What We Believe

# MISSION STATEMENT | What are we about here and now?

The members of Eden Church worship God and strive to follow Christ's example by providing a welcoming and safe environment for all, seeking God's wisdom, growing spiritually, caring for each other, enriching our neighborhood, and sharing the good news of God's creative and unfolding work in the world.



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# **VISION STATEMENT | What do we want to become in the** next 3 to 5 years?

The vision of Eden Church is to grow in spirit, fellowship, and number by offering many opportunities for spiritual growth; by becoming a more culturally diverse congregation; by strengthening our capacity to serve our neighbors, by caring for each other as Christ cares for us; by inviting others to be a part of our community of faith; and by working to transform individual lives and our community through the power of God's love in human action.

# **VALUES STATEMENTS | What are the ideals and behaviors that we need to** express to fulfill our mission and realize our vision?

In order to fulfill our mission and realize our vision. Eden Church strives to embrace and express the following core values:

- Worship and spiritual practices that are both traditional and contemporary
- Religious education and spiritual practices that are grounded in a progressive theology
- Caring relationships that honor differences and foster unity and growth
- Enriching experiences for children and youth in our church and community
- Programs and partnerships that serve those in need while addressing the root causes of social problems
- Being a true sanctuary that nurtures and protects all participants, especially the most vulnerable among us

## **OFFICERS**

Jana Aloo | Moderator Jennifer Vetrovec | Vice Moderator Rev. Robert Parrish | Treasurer Jan Bass | Associate Treasurer Kim Shuss | Clerk

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday -- Friday, 8:30 am to 5 pm (After hours, please call for appointment

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