SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



WELCOME | BIENVENIDOS APR 7, 2024 | 10 am

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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.

Creemos que todas las personas son hijas e hijos de Dios; que personas de todas las edades, razas y orientaciones sexuales son parte de nuestra cultura diversa. Damos la bienvenida a todas las personas al ministerio de esta iglesia.

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER | ONLINE WORSHIP LINK

OPENING MUSIC | "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring from Cantata" | J.S. Bach | Dr. Jessie Wenchieh Lo

WELCOME | Rev. Dr. Marvin Lance Wiser

CALL TO WORSHIP | Pastor Marvin

One: Jesus said, **All: "Follow me."**One: Jesus said,

All: "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

One: Jesus said,

All: "Forgive seventy times seven."

One: Jesus said,

All; "Feed my sheep."
One: In response, we say:
All: "Here's my heart.
Take and seal it.

Seal it for your very own."

One: Let us worship God with all our hearts.

OPENING HYMN | "Come, O Fount of Every Blessing" | NCH No. 459 | v. 1-3

CHILDREN'S GATHERING | Pastor Marvin | Children may remain in worship with their families following the gathering time

BIBLE READING | John 21:1-19 | Español | Rev. Dr. Arlene K. Nehring

SERMON | "Here's My Heart" | Pastor Arlene

SERMON HYMN | "Listen to Your Savior Call" | NCH No. 250 | v. 1-4

OFFERING INVITATION & PRAYER | Pastor Ashley Wai'olu Moore



OFFERTORY | "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" | Franz Joseph Haydn | Jessie

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION | Pastors & Deacons

INVITATION
PRAYER OF BLESSING
WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE
DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS
COMMUNION MUSIC | Ken Rawdon
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING | Pastor Ashley

LORD'S PRAYER | Unison | Pastor Ashley

Our Father/Creator, 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.

Padre nuestro, que estás en los cielos, santificado sea Tu Nombre; venga Tu reino; hágase Tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy el pan de cada día y perdona nuestras deudas así como nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores; y no nos dejes caer en tentación mas líbranos del mal. Amén.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE | "Three-Fold Amen" | NCH No. 812

BLESSING | Pastor Arlene

CLOSING SONG | "Crown with Your Richest Crowns" | Diademata | Jessie

GO IN PEACE

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Arlene K. Nehring, Senior Minister

Rev. Dr. Marvin Lance Wiser, Associate Minister

Rev. Brenda Loreman, Designated Term Associate Minister

Pastor Ashley Wai'olu Moore, Designated Term Associate Minister

Dr. Jessie Wenchieh Lo. Pianist

Ken Rawdon, Music Director

Pastor Ashley, Greeter

Daniella Prym, Trustee on Duty

Stephanie Spencer, Deacon

Denise & Javier Orea, Servers

ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

The "Wandering Heart" worship theme, cover graphic, prayer for reconciliation, and sermon hymn are adapted with permission from A Sanctified Art (<u>sanctifiedart.org</u>).

FLOWER DEDICATION

For more info and to sign up to bring flowers for a specific Sunday, click the <u>link</u> to go to our Online Flower Calendar or call the Office at (510) 582-9533.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join Pastor Arlene & Stephanie and Board of Trustees **following worship**, for an informal **Wedding Reception** celebrating the marriage of **Denise Cuevas & Javier Orea**, which occurred Thursday, Mar 21, 2024 at Park Winters, California. Members and friends are invited to bring or make a wedding card for the newlyweds.

Join Padres Unidos for their third annual Easter Egg Hunt on **Saturday, Apr 13, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Cherryland Park.** Keep the Easter joy coming with an egg hunt and raffle, and lots of fun and surprises.

Eden Crafters: The Crafters meet on Zoom at 9:30 am every **Tuesday**. **There will be no meeting on Tuesday, April 9**. Check us out in <u>Groups</u> on Church Center or contact <u>Pastor Brenda</u> for more information.

Seekers Book Club: The Seekers meet on Zoom every **Wednesday** at 10:00 am. We are reading <u>The Cold Millions</u> by Jess Walter (which is the current selection for <u>Castro Valley Reads</u>). **There will be no meeting on Wednesday, April 10.** Find us in <u>Groups</u> in Church Center, or contact <u>Pastor Brenda</u> for more information.

Texts & Contexts Bible Study: The Spring 2024 Texts and Contexts Bible Study is studying together "Wisdom and Theodicy." The Bible Study meets on **Thursdays through May 16**, 6:00 pm in Spanish and 7:30 pm in English, both on Zoom and in-person in the Fireside Room. For more info, <u>find the group on our website</u>, or connect with Pastor Marvin.

Choir Rehearsals & Performances: The Eden Choir rehearses on Sundays at 11:00 am in the Music Room, and the Eden Choir sings in worship two Sundays a month throughout the program year. For more information, <u>connect with our Music Director</u>, Ken Rawdon.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, April 7

10:00 — 11:00 am Worship | Sanctuary & Online

11:00 — 12 noon Fellowship & Wedding Reception | Oliver Hall

11:00 — 11:45 am Choir Rehearsal | Music Room

Monday, April 8

9:00 — 5:00 Church Office Hours

Tuesday, April 9

9:00 — 5:00 Church Office Hours 9:30 — 10:55 am Crafters | Online

7:00 — 9:00 pm Church Council & Board of Trustees | Online

Wednesday, April 10

9:00 — 5:00 Church Office Hours 10:00 — 11:00 am Seekers | Online

Thursday, April 11

9:00 — 5:00 Church Office Hours

Friday, April 12

9:00 — 5:00 Church Office Hours

Sunday, April 14

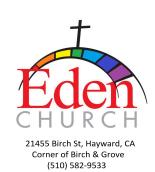
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MISSION, VISION, & VALUES | What We Believe

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.



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

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