

TRINITY SUNDAY



WELCOME | BIENVENIDOS

MAY 26, 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.

TRINITY SUNDAY | [ONLINE WORSHIP LINK](#)

OPENING MUSIC | “America, The Beautiful” | Samuel Ward | Dr. Jessie Wenchieh Lo

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP | The Lord Is in His Holy Temple | Floice R. Lund | Eden Church Choir & Friends

WELCOME | Rev. Ashley Wai’olu Moore

CALL TO WORSHIP | Pastor Ashley

One: God, who flung the stars into the night sky, rejoices over all creation.

All: Come to us, Laughing God, and gladden our hearts with your goodness and grace.

One: Christ, the Word of joy and life, fills all creation with hope.

All: Come to us, Sibling and Savior, and reclaim our hearts as your own.

One: The Spirit, who breathes life into emptiness, gives all creation the gift of peace.

All: Come to us, Spirit of Gentleness, and refresh us with the dew of delight.

Unison Prayer: God in Community, Holy in One, reach out to draw us ever closer, that we might feel the brush of your grace and the healing touch of your compassion. In our worship and prayer this day, we ask that your transformative power be alive among us and at work in us. In your many names we pray. Amen.

OPENING HYMN | “Praise with Joy the World’s Creator” | NCH No. 273 | v. 1-4

BIBLE READING | [John 3:1-17](#) | [Español](#) | Jan Bass

ANTHEM | “Homeward Bound” |arr. Jay Althouse | Jose Avalos, Soloist | Eden Church Choir and Friends

SERMON | “God of Many Names” | Rev. Brenda Loreman

SERMON HYMN | “Creator God, Creating Still” | NCH No. 278 | v. 1-4

JOYS & CONCERNS | PASTORAL PRAYER | Pastor Ashley

JESUS' PRAYER (*unison*)

Our God, in whom is heaven, blessed be your name. Your presence come, your will be done, both here and everywhere. May your realm of peace and freedom sustain our hopes and come on earth. May we be fed today with the bread that we need, and may forgiveness be ours in the same measure we give. In times of temptation, strengthen us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE | "3-Fold Amen" | NCH No. 812



OFFERING INVITATION & PRAYER | Jan

OFFERTORY | "Bring Many Names" | NCH No. 11 | Jessie

BLESSING | Pastor Brenda

CHORAL BENEDICTION | The Lord Bless You and Keep You | Lutkin | Eden Church Choir and Friends

CLOSING SONG | "Holy Holy Holy" | John Dykes | Jessie

GO IN PEACE

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Arlene K. Nehring, Senior Minister

Rev. Dr. Marvin Lance Wiser, Associate Minister (on Sabbatical)

Rev. Brenda Loreman, Designated Term Associate Minister

Rev. Ashley Wai'olu Moore, Designated Term Associate Minister

Dr. Jessie Wenchieh Lo, Pianist

Ken Rawdon, Music Director

Eden Church Choir & Friends

Jan Bass, Liturgist

Daniela Prym, Trustee on Duty

Dawn Coburn, AV Technician

ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

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FLOWER DEDICATION

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stewardship Campaign: The Stewardship Committee and leaders of Eden Church offer their deep gratitude to all who participated in our "Imagine Together" annual Stewardship Campaign. We are especially grateful for the riveting testimonies of Athena Malloy, Melissa Josue, and Allie Turner, who so powerfully showed how Eden Church can be a force for good in the world.

As of press time, we have received 16 pledges out of the 34 expected, for a total of \$124,880. This reflects 71% of last year's total pledge amount. If you have not yet turned your pledge in, please do so now, so we can complete our budgeting process in time for the June Annual Meeting. Pledge forms are on the office counter and on the counter in the niche in the lobby. Reach out to [Pastor Brenda](#) with any questions, or connect with [Associate Treasurer Jan Bass](#) with questions about your current pledge.

Bravo Sunday is coming! Help us recognize our 2024 high school and college graduates as well as honor and thank Eden's Church School teachers, choir members, and musicians, by giving them a round of applause on **Sun, Jun 2**, after worship. In addition, we will be recognizing the **2024 Eden Area Foundation Scholarship Program** recipients—all 22 of them! Thanks to the Eden Area Foundation and many Church members and Eden Area residents, twenty-two Eden Area students will be receiving a \$2,000 scholarship to help pay for tuition, books, computers, and/or housing. Come meet the students and their families at our annual Bravo! Sunday celebration.

If you or a member of your family is completing a program of study, please let [Pastor Brenda](#) or [Pastor Arlene](#) know **now** so that we can include you in our celebration.

Homelessness Town Hall: On **Sat, Jun 8**, the Castro Valley Women's Club and the Eden Area League of Women Voters are hosting a Town Hall Meeting on the topic of homelessness in the Castro Valley and Eden Area. Come join in conversation with local experts on this important issue in our community. The meeting will be held at the Castro Valley Women's Club, 11 am to 12:30 pm.

Pride Prom: Join Pastor Ashley and Pastor Arlene & Stephanie on the red carpet at Chabot College on **Sat, Jun 15, beginning at 4 pm**, as we welcome Pride Prom attendees and share the Good News of God's love for all. Come when you can. Leave if you must. Join old friends. Make some new ones. Contact [Pastor Arlene](#) or [Pastor Ashley](#) for more information.

Castro Valley Pride: Save the Date! CV Pride will be held **Saturday, Jul 20, 12 noon to 5 pm**, in the east-side parking lot at CVHS. Join Pastor Arlene & Stephanie in meeting and greeting the public and inviting our friends and neighbors to join in celebrating our **29th ONA Anniversary on Sun, July 21** during morning worship, and at the after party, which will follow in Oliver Hall. Please contact [Pastor Arlene](#) or Stephanie Spencer to let us know when you would like to join us in staffing Eden's booth. Some help with set up and tear down would be a blessing too.

Eden Crafters: The Crafters meet on Zoom at 9:30 am every **Tuesday**. Check us out in [Groups](#) on Church Center or contact [Pastor Brenda](#) for more information.

Seekers Book Club: The Seekers meet on Zoom every **Wednesday** at 10:00 am. Find us in [Groups](#) in Church Center, or contact [Pastor Brenda](#) for more information.

Texts & Contexts Bible Study: English Bible Study will be taking a hiatus until the Fall. Spanish language Bible Study, however, will be reading the book of James and meeting in person in Fireside on the **2nd and 4th Thursdays of June - August**, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Childcare will be provided. For more info, contact one of the Pastors.

Coffee & Comida: Eden Church members and friends, especially previous volunteers with Comida, are invited to Oliver Hall **every third Friday from 10:30 am to 11:30 am** for **coffee and fellowship** as we kickstart new **Comida volunteer opportunities**, starting with our resource fliers. **Note that his month's meeting will be on Friday, May 31.** Stay tuned for more Comida volunteer announcements to come as we prepare for summer snacks and crafts! Contact [Julian Orea](#) for more information.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, May 26

10:00 — 11:00 am Worship | Sanctuary & Online
10:00 — 11:00 am Church School | Pilgrim Hall
11:00 — 12 noon Fellowship | Oliver Hall

Monday, May 27

9:00 — 5:00 Memorial Day Holiday | Campus Closed

Tuesday, May 28

9:00 — 5:00 Church Office Hours

9:30 — 10:45 am Eden Crafters | Online

Wednesday, May 29

9:00 — 5:00 Church Office Hours

10:00 — 11:00 am Seekers | Online

Thursday, May 30

9:00 — 5:00 Church Office Hours

Friday, May 31

9:00 — 5:00 Church Office Hours

Sunday, June 2

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

11:00 — 11:30 am Bravo! Celebration | Sanctuary & Online

11:00 — 12 noon Fellowship | Oliver Hall

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Jun 2 Bravo! Sunday Worship, Holy Communion
Jun 12 Comida para Cherryland
Jun 15 Pride PROM
Jul 1 First Day of EUCC's Fiscal Year 2025
Jul 4 Independence Day — Campus Closed
Jul 7 Sunday Worship | Pie Sunday
Jul 10 Comida para Cherryland
Cherryland Youth Leadership Institute (ChYLI) begins
Jul 11 Estudio Bíblico
Jul 14 Sunday Worship & Fellowship | Singers of the Street, guest choir
Jul 17 EAF Board of Directors meeting
Jul 20 Castro Valley Pride
Jul 21 Sunday Worship & Fellowship | EUCC 29th ONA Anniversary
Jul 24 Comida para Cherryland
Jul 25 Estudio Bíblico
Jul 28 Sunday Worship | Mahealani Uchiyama & hilau Ka Ua Tuahine
Aug 4 Sunday Worship & Sacrament of Holy Communion
Aug 14 Comida Backpack Giveaway
Aug 15 Estudio Bíblico
Aug 15 ChYLI Final Session
Aug 25 Sunday Worship & Fellowship
Aug 28 Comida para Cherryland
Aug 29 Estudio Bíblico
Sep 1 Sunday Worship & Sacrament of Holy Communion
Sep 2 Labor Day—Campus Closed
Sep 8 Sunday Worship & Sacrament of Baptism
Sep 11 Comida para Cherryland

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

Carlos Londoño | Moderator
Jana Aloo | Vice Moderator
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