



August 23, 2026

~ Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

"Trumpet Voluntary"

- Thomas Pavlechko

THE BELL

RECALLING WHY WE ARE HERE

One: Give thanks with your whole heart. God's steadfast love endures forever.

All: We come with grateful hearts, trusting that God's love never fails.

One: When we were weary, God strengthened us. When we called, God answered.

All: God does not abandon us or measure our worth by our power.

One: Come with songs of gratitude and worship the One whose mercy is greater than our fear.

All: Let us worship the God whose steadfast love endures forever.

SONG

"Sing Praise to God, Our Highest Good"

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PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

RESPONSE

"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*PASSING THE PEACE

*RESPONSE

"I Love to Tell the Story"

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*THE READING FROM THE GOSPEL Matthew 19:16-22

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THE READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT Hebrews 13:5-6

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SERMON

"Something Has to Move"

SONG

"All That We Have"

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COMMUNITY LIFE

FAITH IN ACTION

Feeding Mission Hills

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Bethena, A Concert Waltz

- Scott Joplin

SONG

"Jesus Call Us"

1 Je-sus calls us, o'er the tu - mult of our life's wild, rest-less sea;
 3 Je-sus calls us from the wor-ship of the trea - sures we a - dore,
 4 In our joys and in our sor-rows, days of toil and hours of ease,

Day by day that voice still calls us, say - ing, "Chris-tian, fol - low me."
 From each i - dol that would keep us, say - ing, "Chris-tian, love me more."
 Je - sus calls, in cares and plea-sures, "Chris-tian, love me more than these."

Text by Cecil Frances Alexander | Tune 'GALILEE' by William Herbert Jude

*BENEDICTION

*AFFIRMATION

"Send Us Out"

Send us out to pro - claim the reign of your king - dom,
 send us out to pro-claim and to heal, send us
 out with your pow - er and your au - thor - i - ty
 to o - ver-come and to heal the world.

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POSTLUDE

"Rise, Go Joyfully"

- Lani Smith

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Minister for Congregational Care
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Associate Director of Music
Interim Children's Ministry Coordinator
Director of Ministry with Youth
Director of Marketing
Young Adult Ministry Coordinator
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Songleaders
Pianist
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 Ali Tonnesen
 Trevor Norkowski
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 Saige Afalava
 Devin Buss
 Shannon Johnson & Ronnie Williams
 Mary Lonsdale Baker
 Elizabeth Quiñones
 Gloria Schacht
 Jianna Ruiz & Amelia Norkowski
 Melissa Smith

Mission Hills UCC - Upcoming Events

August	Mission Partner: Feeding Mission Hills Food Distribution
Monday, 8/31	Service of Prayer and Anointing, 6:30 pm, Chapel
September	Mission Partner: Jewish Family Service of San Diego
Tuesday, 9/1	Lunch with the Pastor, noon, in the Commons
Wednesday, 9/2	Wednesday Senior Lunch and Activity Program resumes, 10:30 am
Friday, 9/4	Knitting 2 Give, 10 am - 12 pm, Commons
Saturday, 9/12	Second Saturday Speaker Series, 10 am
	Chancel Choir Fall Workshop, 1-5 pm, Sanctuary
	Homecoming Dance, 5 pm, Fellowship Hall
Sunday, 9/13	Homecoming Sunday
Tuesday, 9/15	Feeding Mission Hills Food Distribution, volunteers needed 9-11 am
Thursday, 9/17	Knitting 2 Give, 2 pm - 4 pm, Commons
Monday, 9/21	Sound Healing with Melissa Nolan, 6-8 pm, Fellowship Hall
Saturday, 9/26	Council & Conveners Retreat, 8 am – 1 pm, Commons

Join us every week for:

Sundays –

- 10 am: Worship service with children's and youth program
- 11:15 am: Fellowship Hour

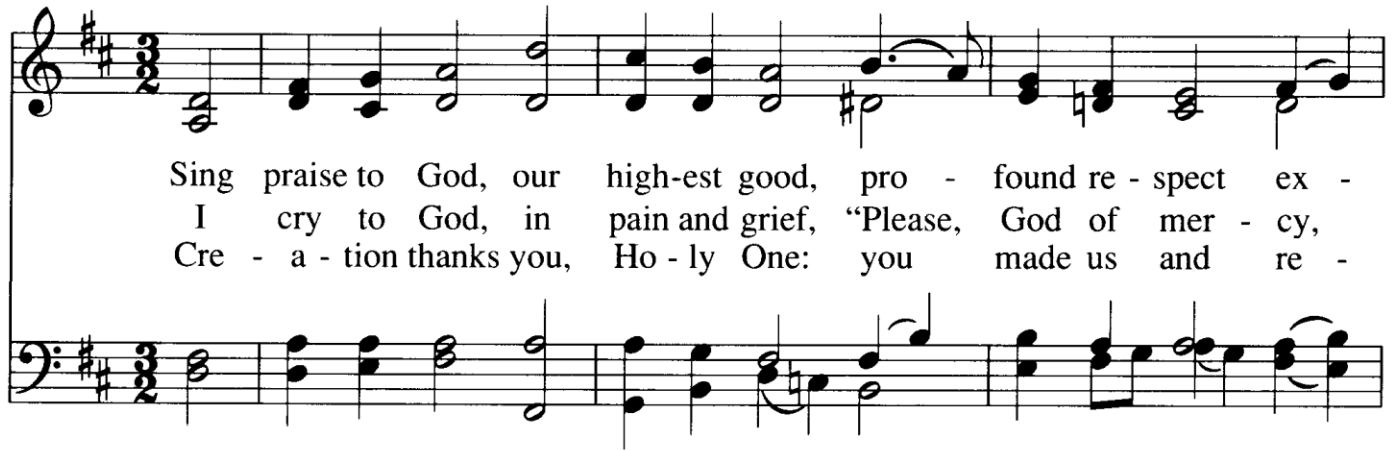
Thursdays

- noon: Bible Study on zoom (*thru October 22*)
- 5 pm: Mission Hills Young Musicians (*thru November 19*)

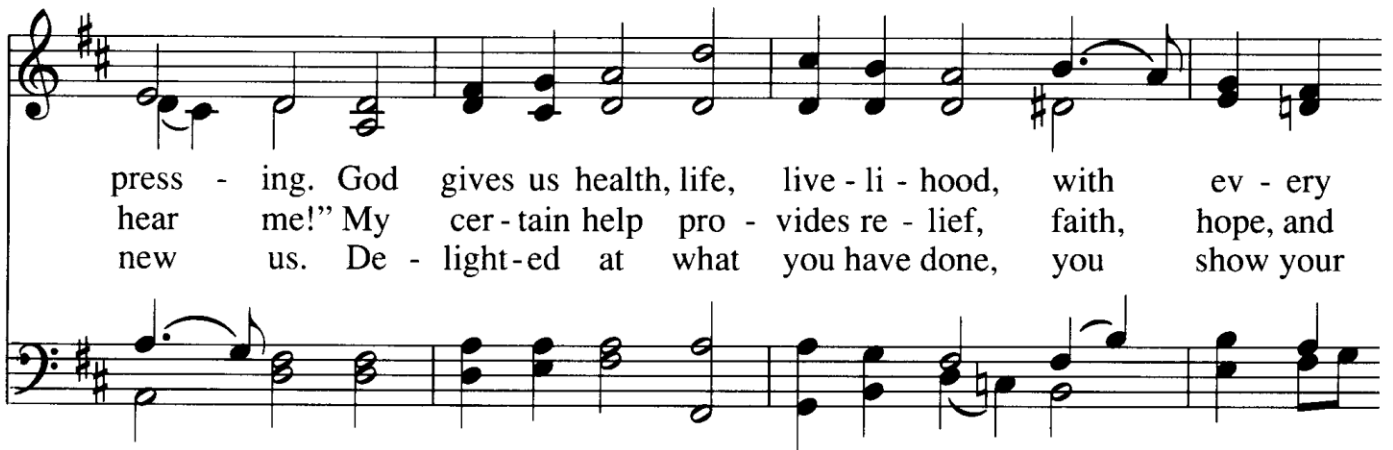
Saturdays – Gentle Yoga - 9 am - Chapel

For all MHUCC events, visit our online calendar: <https://missionhillsucc.org/calendar>

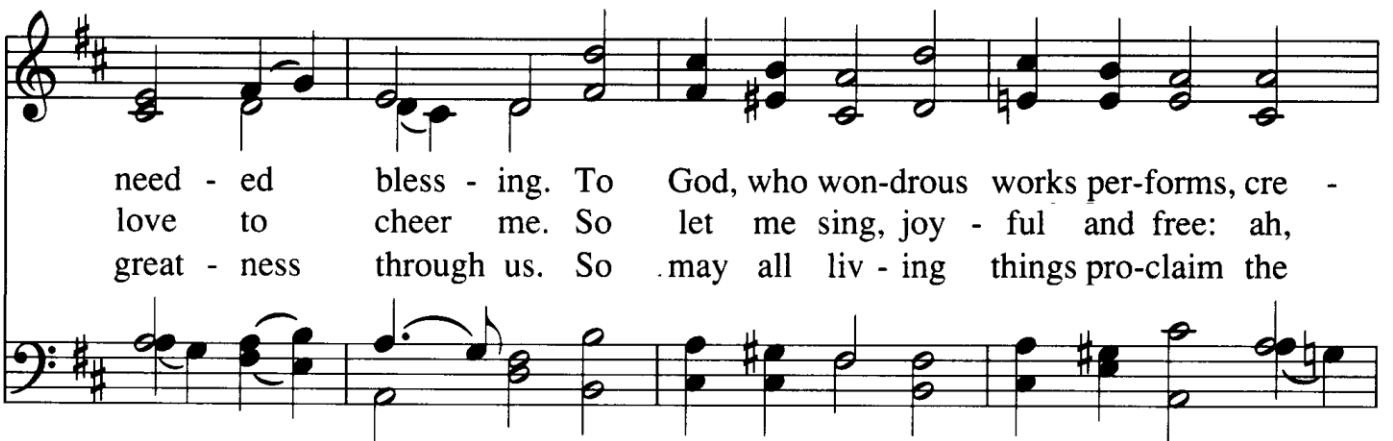
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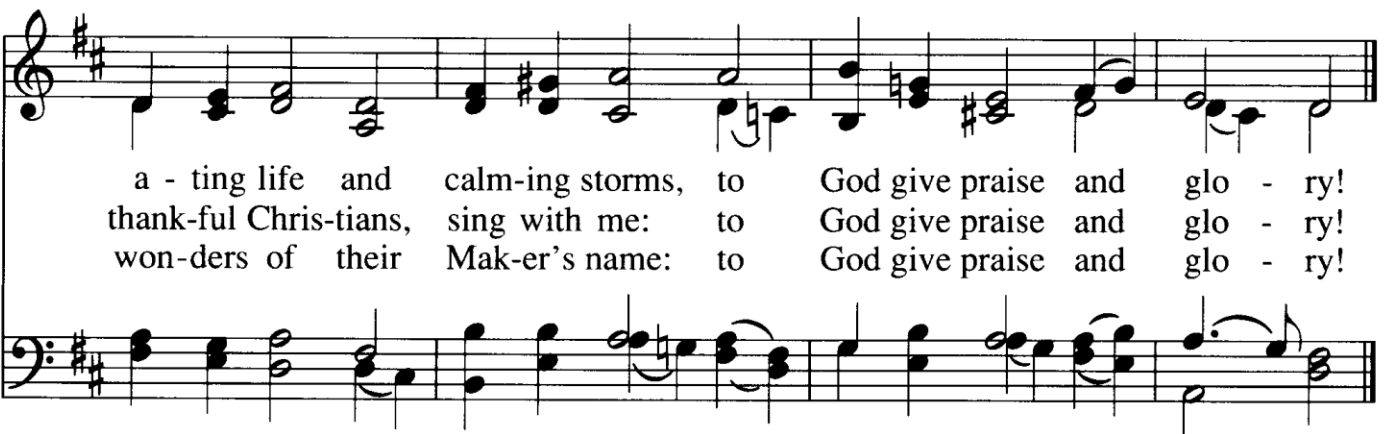
Sing praise to God, our high-est good, pro - found re - spect ex -
I cry to God, in pain and grief, "Please, God of mer - cy,
Cre - a - tion thanks you, Ho - ly One: you made us and re -



press - ing. God gives us health, life, live - li - hood, with ev - ery
hear me!" My cer - tain help pro - vides re - lief, faith, hope, and
new us. De - light-ed at what you have done, you show your



need - ed bless - ing. To God, who won-drous works per-forms, cre -
love to cheer me. So let me sing, joy - ful and free: ah,
great - ness through us. So may all liv - ing things pro-claim the



a - ting life and calm-ing storms, to God give praise and glo - ry!
thank-ful Chris-tians, sing with me: to God give praise and glo - ry!
won-ders of their Mak-er's name: to God give praise and glo - ry!

"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"



Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,



give thanks be-cause God's giv - en Je - sus Christ, the Son.



Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,



give thanks be - cause God's giv - en Je - sus Christ, the Son.



And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am



rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And



now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am



rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

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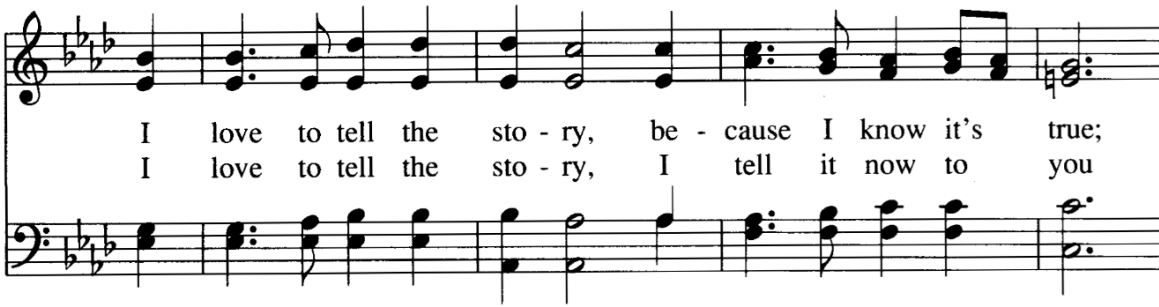
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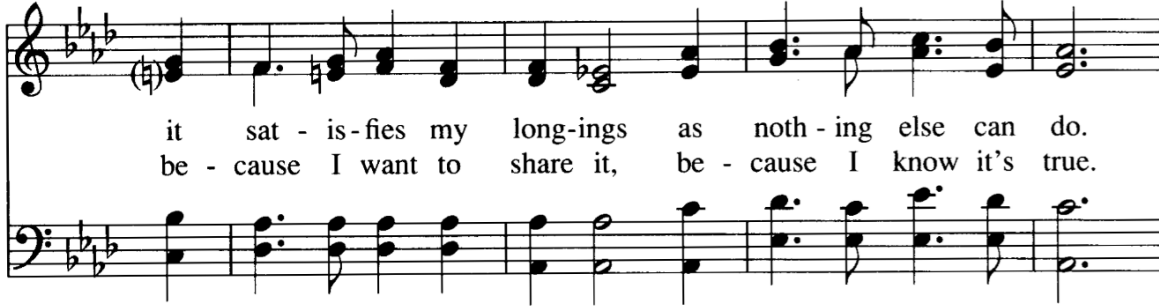
1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove.
2 I love to tell the sto - ry; more won - der - ful it seems



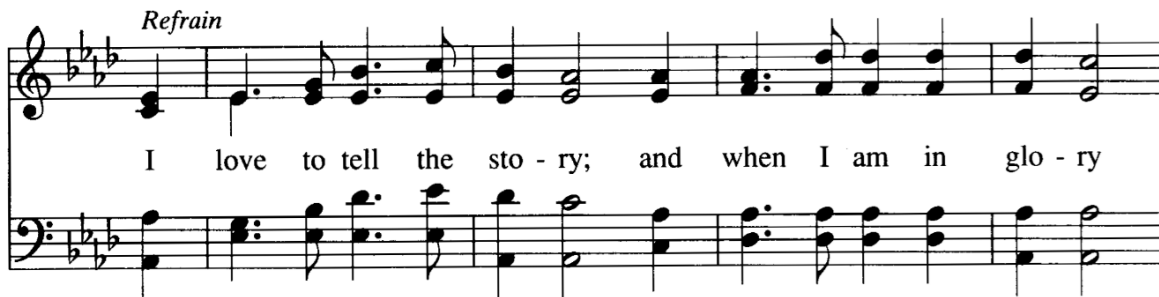
Of Je - sus' ra - diant glo - ry, of Je - sus' end - less love.
than all the gold - en vi - sions of all our gold - en dreams.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, I tell it now to you



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else can do.
be - cause I want to share it, be - cause I know it's true.



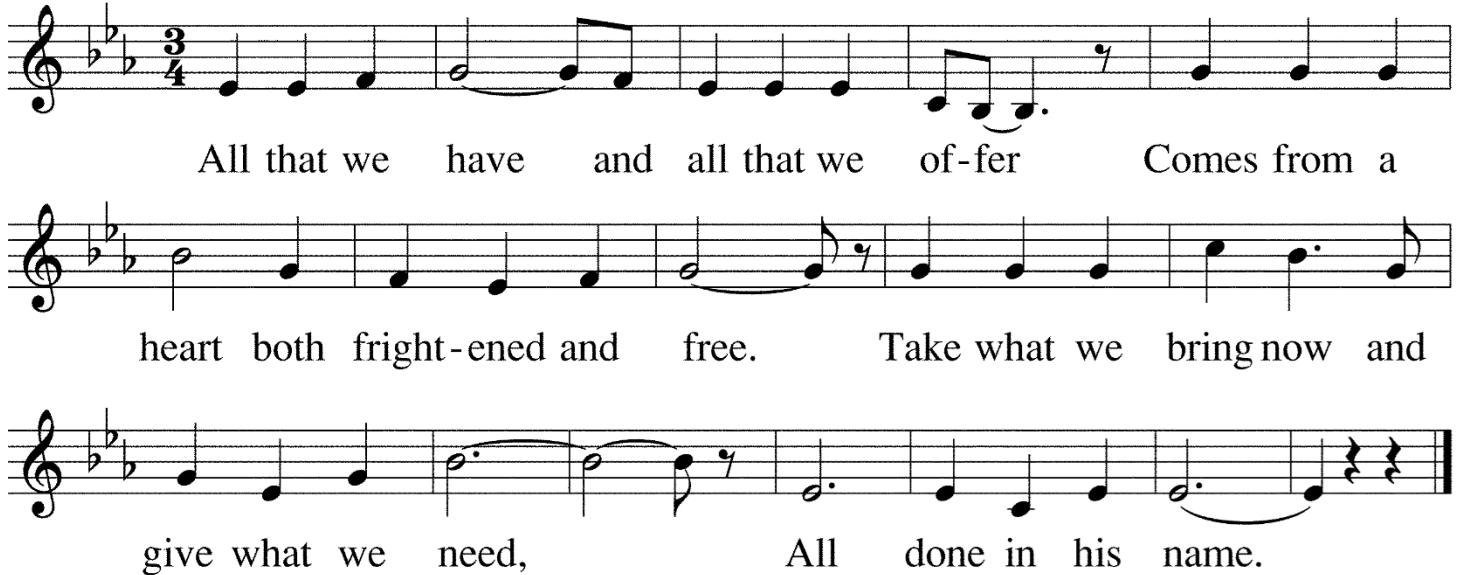
Refrain
I love to tell the sto - ry; and when I am in glo - ry



I'll tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus' end - less love.

"All That We Have"

Refrain



All that we have and all that we of-fer Comes from a
heart both fright-ened and free. Take what we bring now and
give what we need, All done in his name.

Verses



1. Some would re - ly on their pow - er,
2. Some - times the road may be lone - some,
3. Some - times when trou - bles are man - y,
Oth - ers put trust in their gold.
Of - ten we may lose our way;
Life can seem emp - ty, it's true,
Some have on - ly their Sav - ior,
Take cour - age and al - ways re - mem - ber
But look at the life of the Mas - ter,
D.C.
Whose faith - ful - ness nev - er grows old.
Love is - n't just for a day.
Who lov - ing - ly suf - fered for you.



MISSION HILLS UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Mission Minute – August 23

A Service of Prayer and Anointing ~ Monday, August 31 - 6:30 pm ~ Chapel

Mark your calendar for Monday, August 31, at 6:30 pm for our next time of communal prayer and anointing with oil for healing - in our personal lives, for loved ones, and healing for our world. Come whether for yourself or to support others.

Senior Lunch and Fun Activities Resumes: Wednesday, September 2 ~ 10:30 am



MISSION HILLS
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



GREEN
VISTAS

SERVING
SENIORS

Join Us for Meals & Activities for Older Adults!

Welcome Back This September!

Our weekly program for seniors is back! Join us **every Wednesday** for **FREE** nutritious lunches, engaging activities, and fellowship in a welcoming community.

LOCATION: Mission Hills United Church of Christ
4070 Jackdaw Street
San Diego, CA 92103

September Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>LUNCH</u>
	10:30 - 11:30am	11:30am - 12pm

9/2	Bingo	Tilapia Vera Cruz , Confetti Brown Rice, Mixed Vegetables, Whole Wheat Roll, Fresh Apple, Lemon Juice
9/9	Crafts	Hungarian Chicken , Whole Grain Rotini, Glazed Carrots, Cabbage, Whole Wheat Bread, Fresh Orange
9/16	Crafts	Chicken Cacciatore , Whole Grain Penne, Brussels Sprouts, Baby Carrots, Whole Wheat Roll, Diced Peaches
9/23	Crafts	Salisbury Steak , Onion Gravy, Brown Rice, Sliced Carrots, Whole Wheat Roll, Pineapple Tidbits
9/30	Crafts	Whole Grain Popcorn Chicken , Cranberry Orange Sauce, Mixed Vegetables, Whole Wheat Bread, Diced Pears

