

Welcome to Church of the Painted Hills

United Church of Christ

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace

One: Through webs and nets and wires, it googles and zooms to everyone whose heart needs peace, and to every place there is no peace. And we will share it now: the peace of Christ be with you!

All: And also with you.

Prelude As the Deer (Martin Nystrom, arr. Marianne Kim)

Dr. Kyungsun Choi

Call to Worship

Jim Jaeger

One: O Holy one of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.

All: We long to be in your beautiful assembly. Our hearts sing for joy!

One: O Holy one of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.

All: You keep the sparrow and the spring. You sustain the splendor of creation.

One: O Holy one of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.

All: In you, we go from strength to strength. You hear our prayers, bestow blessings and honor, and withhold no good thing. Praise our God!

Hymn Come, O Fount of Every Blessing

#459

**Come, O Fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing your grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of endless praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount; I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unfailing love.**

**Here I pause in my sojourning,
giving thanks for having come,
come to trust, at every turning,
God will guide me safely home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God,
Came to rescue me from danger,
Blessed body, precious blood.**

**O to grace how great a debtor
daily I am drawn anew!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,**

**bind my wandering heart to you.
Prone to wander, I can feel it,
wander from the love I've known:
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
seal it for your very own.**

Young at Heart

Sue Ellen Coltrin

Opening Prayer

Jim Jaeger

Lovely God, you abide with us. We acknowledge your presence among us with peace, trust, and thanksgiving. It is good to be with you. It is good to be with one another. Fill us with your Spirit and revel in our worship. May this time give you honor and fortify us as your people, your ambassadors, and your agents of love and hope in the world. Amen.

**Prayers of the People
Pastoral Prayer**

Rev. Carlos Sosa

Savior's Prayer

Rev. Carlos Sosa

Our Creator, 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

Music I Could Not Do Without Thy Grace (Sung Joe)

Dr. Kyungsun Choi

First Reading Ephesians 6:10-20 NRSVUE

Jim Jaeger

Second Reading 1 Kings 8:(1,6,10-11), 22-30, 41-43 NRSVUE

Sean Sosa

Message

Rev. Carlos Sosa

**Invitation to Generosity
Offering Prayer**

Rev. Carlos Sosa

Strong and Giving God, receive our gifts of time, talent, and financial resources for the building of your kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. May we give with a spirit of courage, trust, and empathy. May our faithful stewardship receive confirmation through changed lives and renewed communities for your glory. Amen.

Hymn When Peace, Like a River

#438

**When peace like a river, upholds me each day,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,**

Whatever my lot, you have taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."
It is well with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though evil should tempt me, though trials should come,
let this blessed assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has paid life and blood for my soul:
It is well with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin - oh, the bliss of this glorious thought -
my sin - not in part, but the whole -
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!
It is well with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

O God, speed the day that is filled with your light,
when clouds are rolled back as a scroll;
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall appear,
"even so" - it is well with my soul.
It is well with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

Benediction

Rev. Carlos Sosa

Postlude Battle Hymn (American Folk Song, arr. Mark Hayes)

Dr. Kyungsun Choi