

Healing the World

The 178th California-Nevada Annual Conference Session

June 26 - 29, 2026

Isaiah 58:12



Sunday, June 28, 2026, 10 AM

Castro Valley United Methodist Church

Welcome to Castro Valley United Methodist Church.

May the Holy Spirit fill you with power, unity, and joy as we worship and celebrate God's living presence among us in this Pentecost season.



Make your
tithes & offering
online

TODAY:

Coffee Fellowship

11:00 AM, Fellowship Hall

GATHERINGS THIS WEEK

Grow Pray Thrive

Mon. 4:00 PM

Fireside Room

Food-2-Go Delivery

Tue. 10:00 AM, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday Friends Field Trip

Tue. 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

San Leandro Senior Center,
Resource Fair

Bell Choir Practice

Thu. 7 PM, Sanctuary

OF NOTE:

California/Nevada Annual Conference

June 26–29, 2026

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

(29) Bobbi Wheatley
(30) Cassandra Jimison
(01) Ella Lowrey
(01) Marissa Driver
(04) Samiuela Tuita

Order of Christian Worship Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Chiming of the Hour

Kathy Culwell

Prelude

Matt Bourne

Words of Welcome

Burt Yin

*Call to Worship

Carol Sugimura

We are God's people, called to worship together.

We are here, longing for a good word.

As we worship, we open our hearts to hearing a good word from God.

We are here, opening our hearts to hear God's word within us.

Come, Holy Spirit, into the hearts of your gathered people!

*Opening Prayer (unison)

Carol Sugimura

Holy God, as we come into your presence, the followers of Jesus, to worship you, we thank you for this day. As we come to worship we ask, as the Apostle Peter did, to have minds that are alert to your presence, that we come as those called to be obedient to You alone, and that we open ourselves to the movement of your Spirit among us. May our hearts be warmed by the community of faith, that we will be transformed to become your disciples, those whose presence will transform the world.

Open our hearts. Open our minds. Transform us.

We pray in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

*Opening Hymn: *Woke Up This Morning* TFWS 2082, vv.1,3,5

Please use the black TFWS hymnal or follow along on the screen.

*Passing of the Peace

Burt Yin

Peace of the Lord be with you. **And also, with you.**

Special Music *River in Judea*

Bobbi Wheatley

Arranged by John Leavitt

Hymn Response: **We Are the Church**

UMH 558

(singing) I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together!

All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we're the church together!

At Pentecost some people received the Holy Spirit and told the Good News through the world to all who would hear it.

[Repeat Refrain: I am the church!]

1 Peter 1:13-21 RSV

¹³Therefore gird up your minds, be sober, set your hope fully upon the grace that is coming to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ¹⁴As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, ¹⁵but as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct; ¹⁶since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." ¹⁷And if you invoke as Father him who judges each one impartially according to his deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile. ¹⁸You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your fathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was destined before the foundation of the world but was made manifest at the end of the times for your sake. ²¹Through him you have confidence in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

SERVING TODAY

Rev. Mary Elyn Bahlert, Guest Preacher
Burt Yin, Co-Lay Leader
Carol Sugimura, Worship Leader
Matt Bourne, Music Director
Eva Tanaka, Sound Tech
Jim Rees, Usher
Larry Taylor & Renee Tanaka, Media Tech

WORSHIP RESOURCES

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS: The Faith We Sing
W&S: Worship and Song
Discipleship Ministries
CCLI No. 21060178

Children's Moment

Rev. Mary Elyn Bahlert

Hymn Response: Breathe on Me, Breath of God UMH 420
(singing) Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine, till all this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

Life of the Community

Burt Yin

Prayers of the People

Burt Yin

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.
Loving God, we give you thanks.

Community Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Mary Elyn Bahlert

Our Father, 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Scriptures: 1 Peter 1:13-21 RSV

Carol Sugimura

Sermon: Instructions for a Life of Faith

Rev. Mary Elyn Bahlert

***The Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts**

The Doxology No. 94: *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Praise God*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Unison Prayer of Dedication:

Burt Yin

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us that we may praise you, not with our lips only, but with our whole lives, turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days into a living sacrifice to you, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

***Closing Hymn: In the Midst of New Dimensions TFWS 2238, vv.1,2,3**

Please use the black TFWS hymnal or follow along on the screen.

***Benediction**

Rev. Mary Elyn Bahlert

Postlude

Matt Bourne

Please reflect in silence on today's message or exit quietly.



FOLLOWING JESUS • THRIVING IN COMMUNITY • HEALING THE WORLD

19806 Wisteria St. Castro Valley, CA 94546 | 510-581-3486 | www.castrovalleyumc.org

Pastor: pastorakesa@castrovalleyumc.org

Office: office@castrovalleyumc.org