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*We are a hybrid blend of Lutheran
& Congregational Roots*

*We are missional with the Gospel
& We are dedicated to Discipleship*

† Thank you for worshiping with us! †

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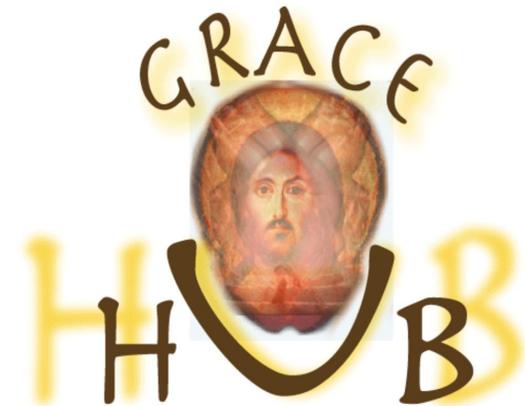
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DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES

"MINISTRY WITH A NEW ATTITUDE"
REVEREND NICOLE A.M. COLLINS
FOUNDER AND COMMUNITY LEADER

THE GRACE HUB

CHURCH

12:30pm



Sunday January 13th, 2018

The Grace Hub

† Sunday Worship †
January 6th, 2018

BAPTISM OF OUR LORD PRELUDE MUSIC — 'THE BOXER' WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN 'YOU ARE MINE' SEE HANDOUT

WE REFLECT

(Please stand if able)

Pastor Mary: O God of Love, grant to Your children the Grace to represent You effectively in our discordant world. Give us the courage to put our lives on the line to communicate life and truth to all Your creatures, wherever they may be found.

ALL: Where there is injustice, may we diagnose its cause and discover a cure. Where there is bigotry teach us how to love and how to encourage others to love. Where there is poverty, help us share the wealth that has come from Your hand. Where there is war and violence, make us peacemakers that lead men and women to Your eternal peace. Help us, O God to become what You have appointed and empowered us to become.

Pastor Mary: ³The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters. ⁴The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty. ⁵The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon. ⁷The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire. ⁸The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. ⁹The voice of the Lord causes the

Thank You for Your love, Your watch, care & Your continued Blessings!

(Please observe a moment of Silence)

ALL: AMEN

BENEDICTION

Scattering Proclamation *(Reverend Nicole Collins)*

Leader: Gracious God, may we transform our hearts to You for Your Glory and mission in this world. May You continue to guide our hearts, guard our steps as we go forth with the Good News!

In the name of the Father, † Son & Holy Spirit

ALL AMEN *(Please make the sign of the Cross)*

SENDING HYMN

'PRECIOUS LORD TAKE MY HAND' WOV 731

LEADER: GO IN PEACE, AND SERVE THE LORD!

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD!

Up & Coming Announcements

Our Lessons this day were from: Psalm 29; Isaiah 43:1-7; Romans 6:1-11; Luke 3:15-22

- ♦ Java with Jesus is at the Starbucks on Rancho @ 9am
- ♦ Please stay tuned and pray for us to get a space to rent soon for services.
- ♦ All hymns will either be from the Lutheran Book of Worship or the With One Voice. A Special heartfelt thank you to First & Santa Cruz Lutheran church for their recent donation of 12 WOVs!

Make a Friend, Be a Friend &

Bring a friend to Christ

(& the Grace Hub!)

Bonhoeffer's Prayer from his time in Prison

Leader: "In me there is darkness, but with you there is light; I am lonely, but you do not leave me; I am feeble in heart, but with you there is help; I am restless, but with you there is peace. In me there is bitterness, but with you there is patience; I do not understand your ways, But you know the way for me."

"Lord Jesus Christ, You were poor and in distress, a captive and forsaken as I am. You know all man's troubles; You abide with me when all others fail me; You remember and seek me; It is Your will that I should know You and turn to you.

Lord, I hear your call and follow; Help me."

"I remember in your presence all my loved ones, and all who in this house perform their hard service;

Lord, have mercy."

ALL: Amen.

Prayer for Spiritual Formation

Pastor Mary:

Dearest God,

Sometimes we come before you needing reassurance, Sometimes our burdens are so great it doesn't seem that we can go on. God, You reassure us in Isaiah 43:1-3, "1Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. 2When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. 3For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior." Thank You loving God for Your caring for us always, for walking with us through every moment of our lives & for lifting our burdens throughout our lives. You do so much for us God, we want to commit ourselves to You & share with others what you have done for us. God give us the strength & stamina to share Your love, compassion & mercy with others.

oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

Silence is kept for reflection.

ALL: We Join Luther in Confession—"O Father, we acknowledge our guilt. Be a gracious Father and do not hold us guilty, but grant us Your Grace so to live that Your Holy Name may be hallowed in us. Let us in no way think, speak, do or attempt anything unless we do so for your praise and honor. May we love, fear, and honor you as Father. Amen

Leader: O Father, unfortunately we know our bodies to be inclined to sin.

ALL: The world, the flesh, and the devil wish to rule in us and so cast out Your honor and Name. Therefore, we implore You, help us out of our misery. Let Your Kingdom come so that sin may be expelled, and that we may live Holy and acceptable lives in Your sight. You alone rule within us, so that with our inner and outer powers we may be obedient and be subject to you. Amen"

Pastor Nicole: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a servant of the Word, announce the Grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: AMEN *(Please make the sign of the Cross) †*

Scripture Lessons for the Day *(please be seated)*

A Reading from The Prophet Isaiah

¹But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm

you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth— ⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Leader: The Word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks Be to God

A Reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans

¹What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Leader: The Word of the Lord

ALL: Thanks Be to God

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

Please Stand

Leader: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

ALL: Glory to You, O Lord

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." ¹⁸So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people. ¹⁹But Herod the ruler, who had been rebuked by him because of Herodias, his brother's wife, and because of all the evil things that Herod had done, ²⁰added to them all by shutting up John in prison. ²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Leader: The Word of the Lord

ALL: Praise to You, O Christ

'THE VOICE' Sermon by Reverend Nicole Collins

HYMN OF THE DAY

'TO JORDAN CAME THE CHRIST, OUR LORD' LBW# 79

✠ PEACE & PRAYER CIRCLE ✠

HOLY COMMUNION

Please take this opportunity to reflect in your heart how this Means of Grace—Christ actual presence feeds and restores your soul. As St. Paul would say: Listen with your heart wide open. Then, TASTE, SEE & DELIGHT that the Lord is Good!

LORD'S PRAYER: Please recite what version is comfortable for you. *(Please be seated)*