



La Mesa First United Methodist Church

April 14, 2024

Opening		Mary Earnest
Prelude	<i>Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts</i> Michael Lawrence, Organ	J. Innes
	~ Acolytes Jack DeMent & Henry Wion ~	
Welcome & Greeting		Rev. Christian DeMent
Opening Hymn	<i>Let Us with a Joyful Mind</i> Let us with a joyful mind Praise our God forever kind, Refrain: Rich with mercies that endure, Ever faithful, ever sure. New-made earth was filled with light Through God's all-commanding might, [Refrain] Dazzling bright the sun obeys God who shines with brighter rays, [Refrain] Therefore with a joyful mind, Praise our God forever kind, [Refrain]	FWS 2012
Children's Moment		Rev. Christian DeMent
Anthem	<i>All Heaven Declares</i> Chancel Choir Michael Lawrence, Director	N. Richards T. Richards T. Fettke
Prayers for the Community		Rev. Christian DeMent
The Lord's Prayer		UMH 895
Invitation to Offering		Bill Kelly

Offertory	<i>O Love of God, How Strong and True</i>	V. Griffiths H. Bonar
	O love of God, how strong and true, Eternal and yet ever new, Uncomprehended and unbought Beyond all knowledge and all thought!	
	O love of God, how deep and great, Far deeper than man's deepest hate; Self-fed, self-kindled like the light, Changeless, eternal, infinite.	
	O wide-embracing, wondrous love! We read you in the sky above, We read you in the earth below, In seas that swell and streams that flow.	
	We will exalt you, God and Kind And we will ever praise your name; We will extol you ev'ry day, And evermore your praise proclaim.	
Offertory Prayer		Bill Kelly
Scripture	1 John 3:1-7	Bill Kelly
Sermon	<i>We Walk in Hope</i>	Rev. Christian DeMent
Closing Hymn	<i>Blessed Assurance</i>	UMH 369
Benediction		Rev. Christian DeMent
Postlude	<i>Praeludium in G</i> Michael Lawrence, Organ	D. Buxtehude



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We Are: *Welcoming and affirming as a diverse community*

We Teach: *Christ-centered worship and education in the Wesleyan tradition*

We Live: *Serving our community and working in mission for a just world*

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Thank you for worshiping with us this morning!
Next week, please join us again in person at 9:30 am; on Facebook or YouTube for the Livestream; or either of those channels to view a recording on your own schedule.
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