

SAN MARCOS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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> God's Work, Our Hands September 7, 2025 10:00 a.m.

Welcome!

Whoever you are and wherever you are in your journey of faith, God meets vou here in love.

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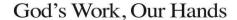
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray,

Holy One, you stretch wide your tent that all may be welcomed in, and in Jesus you stretched out your hands in expansive love for a weary and wounded world. Help us to reach out with your own wounded hands of love, that through us your life may be known in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HYMN





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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (sit)

The assembly is invited into prayer:

Gathered into God's embrace, let us lift our voices on behalf of a weary and wounded world.

After each petition: "God, we pray, open our hands in love."

Into your wounded hands of love, O God, we place all our prayers, trusting in your mercy through the Crucified and-Risen One Jesus.

Amen.

PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATION OF VOCATION AND BLESSING OF HANDS FOR MINISTRY

We are called to proclaim the good news:

God is at work!

This good news is not left in some history long ago or a place far away:

God is at work in the world still today!

In us and through us, God is glorified in our work. When we offer a helping hand, God is praised. When we share of our abundance, God is known in the world.

God is at work in us!

In our service today, and in our daily lives, let us live out what God has called us to in baptism.

God is at work through our hands!

Those who wish to receive a blessing may come forward as led by the ushers.

Signing a cross on the backs of the hands: God bless your hands and your work,

Signing a cross on the palms of the hands: that through you God's love may be known. Amen

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

Enviado soy de Dios



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BLESSING

God who sets forth the law of love, Jesus who fulfills the law for you, and the Spirit through whom you are called to love, + bless you this day, that you may be God's hands and heart and voice at work in the world. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL
Go in peace. You are God's hands at work in the world!
Thanks be to God.
POSTLUDE

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher/Liturgist: Pr. Casey Kloehn Dunsworth
Assisting Minister: Anne Voth
Musician: Justin Hershey

Ushers: Hector Gonzalez and Sharon Scott-Gonzalez

All are welcome! As a community of the people of God, the members of San Marcos Lutheran Church are called to welcome all people, regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." (Galatians 3:28)

Let Us Keep These People in Our Prayers: Susan Agonia, Christine Buma, Jim Cavolt, Sue Check, Eunice Choi, Steve Choi, Crystal, Celia Genishi, Bill Hanson, Jolene Hanson, Pete Johnson, Jim Kent, Linda Kent, Joy Kirkland, Gary Kloehn, Laura, Larry, Deborah McGregor, Melinda Nelson, Leanne Pohrman, Alvar Roy, Jake & Sarah Simpson, Marilynne Smith, Dawn Steele, Stephanie, Nick Torres, Kelly Van Jen. Let us pray for our homebound members: Janice Phillips, and Carol Schwartz. We also continue to pray for: Pacifica Synod Bishop David Nagler, ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and Presiding Bishop-elect Yehiel Curry.

Thank you for supporting the ministry of San Marcos Lutheran Church! Your generosity enables us to do God's work in our community. Your contributions to our general fund support our budgeted expenses—we cannot do it without your support! You can contribute in any of the following ways:

- ➤ Place a check or cash in the silver offering plates at the back of the sanctuary on Sundays;
- Mail a check to the church office (3419 Grand Ave. San Marcos, CA 92078);
- > Set up a recurring donation through your bank;
- ➤ Make a one-time or recurring donation with your credit or debit card or bank account through Tithely, our online giving portal. Visit sanmarcoslutheran.org/give to get started.



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GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS (GWOH) TODAY and we're looking forward to a great time together!

Potluck after our service projects. Here are the projects we have planned:

- Kindness Rock Painting
- Assembling kids' Birthday Party Boxes for the Hawthorne shelter
- Making sack lunches for Interfaith Community Services
- Blessing Bags
- Kids will make cards for Palomar hospital patients

Choir rehearsal returns!

The Summer is over, and the Choir is returning in September. Won't you please consider joining us in this joyful ministry? If you can sing the hymns, you could sing in the Choir. All are welcome!!! We practice on Thursday Evenings at 7:00 pm. Hope to see you there. Call Max Chodos at (760) 521-5793 for more information

Join Us for A Matter of Balance Class Series!

Please register soon for the Matter of Balance class, which starts on September 30th. Matter of Balance is an evidence-based fall prevention class which includes age appropriate exercise for older adults, education about fall prevention, and home safety tips. A minimum of 8 participants are needed to run this class and the registration deadline is Thursday, September 26th. Registration forms are located in the narthex and/or by emailing Beth Sullivan at drbesullivan@gmail.com or calling her at 847-254-0212.

Preschool Pizza Fridays

We are starting off the school year in a new way and offering Pizza Fridays all month of September! We would love to promote Lunch Bunch participation from 12pm-1pm with your help. **Would you sponsor a Pizza Friday for \$20?** Take a "slice" with the date on it and donate via church~ cash is always welcome! Thank you to those who have already contributed!!! Blessings, Mrs.Leong