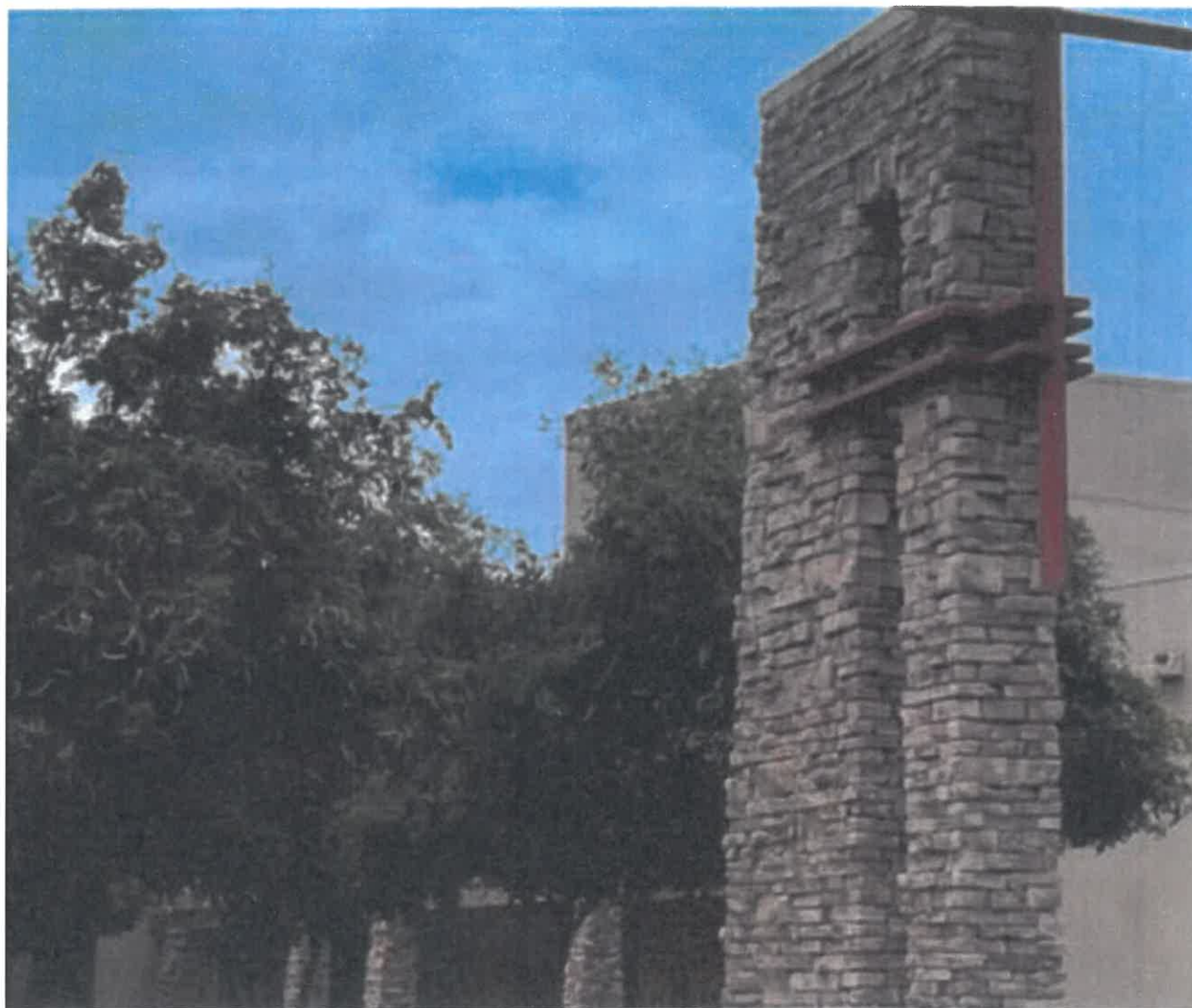




COMMUNITY CHURCH *of the Verdes*

SUNDAY WORSHIP

October 11, 2026

OUR VISION

To be a Christ-centered church that inspires individuals to grow closer to God and to serve others with loving and compassionate hearts.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Passing of the Peace

Introit

Here We Gather as God's People

#294

Call to Worship

Pastor: Come, let us worship the Lord, for God is good.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Pastor: Let us come with open hearts and willing spirits.

People: We come to praise God and to receive God's grace.

Pastor: Let us worship the Lord together.

***Hymn of Praise**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

#91

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession *(spoken in unison)*

Gracious God, we confess that we have tried to live by our own strength and trusted in our own goodness. We have fallen short in thought, word, and deed. We have forgotten that we are saved not by what we do, but by your grace. Forgive us, renew us, and make us alive again in Christ. Help us to walk in the good works you have prepared for us. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Prayer Response

Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

#306

Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

***Congregational Response**

Gloria Patri

#35

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

** Please stand as you are able*

Call to Offering

Offertory

Home

arr. Clydesdale

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

#46

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Scripture

Ephesians 2:1-10

Anthem

Grace

arr. Hayes

Sermon

"Made to Do Good Works"

Time of Reflection

*Closing Hymn

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

#214

Charge and Benediction

*Closing Response

Amen

Walker

*Postlude

TODAY'S MUSIC

Prelude: The Ash Grove (arr. Wood); Shall We Gather at the River? (arr. Wood); The Old Rugged Cross Made the Difference (arr. McDonald)

Reflection: Grace Alone (Brown and Nelson)

Postlude: God of Grace and God of Glory (#464)

Trio: Debby Wojtas, Sara Bruton, and Jeffrey Stevens

SERVING TODAY

Communion Table: Pat Strachan

Refreshments: Sandra Shanley, Elaine Chance, Deb Etcheson

Flowers: Sharon Severson, Jennifer Ristau, Linda Paulos, Lily Ann Bence

Lector: Deb Barth • Tellers: Tom Spaeth, Russ Chance

Ushers: Tom Reinarts, Charla Smith

Road Signs: Bill Hickman, Tom Young

Looking Ahead

WELCOME

Welcome, members and guests! We are glad you're here. Please sign the Fellowship Pad at the end of your pew. After worship, join us for coffee and conversation in Founders Hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance for last Sunday's service was 116, and 100 joined online.

Today's flowers were donated by Sabra & Bill Otteson in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Stephen Ministers are trained and ready to listen, care, encourage, pray, and help through a crisis or difficult time. Contact one of our leaders: Donna Angiolillo, Glenda Hage, Debbie Etcheson, John Pasnau, or Dan or Judy Villanueva.

In need of prayers for you, your family, or friends? Contact Joan Brunner at 480-471-7274, or Pastor Steve with requests.

AA Meetings are held weekly on Mondays at 8:00 a.m. in the library.

PAL (Parents of Addicted Loved Ones) meetings will resume again in the fall. Questions? Contact Greg & Weezy Smith at lift5800@gmail.com.

MUSIC NOTES

Calling choir members and anyone wishing to join the choir! The first rehearsal of the season is **Wednesday, October 21, 4:00–5:30 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. No auditions are required. Questions? Speak with Tom Wojtas or call him at 602-571-0023.

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS

Anniversary Concert Series

For 25 years, music at Community Church of the Verdes has brought our community together. This season we're celebrating with a special concert series featuring world-class performers. Mark your calendar now!

Dec 4 **Phoenix Boys Choir Holiday Concert**

Jan 15 **Live from Laurel Canyon: Songs and Stories of American Folk Rock***

Feb 5 **Live from Laurel Canyon: Nilsson/Lennon Songs from the Lost Weekend***

Apr 16 **Crystal Stark: A Whitney Houston Tribute**

**Laurel Canyon often sells out at the MIM, so we are making tickets available to you first. Ordering information will be announced in October through our*

BIBLE STUDY

Please join us this week for Bible Study in Founders Hall. Hope you can join us!

Tuesdays Join Michael Northrup for the study of Jeremiah.
4–5 p.m.

Thursdays Join Pastor Steve for a 10-week study of the Book of Revelation.
4–5 p.m.

MEMBERSHIP 101 CLASS

Learn about the life of the church during an informational session led by Pastor Steve. A continental breakfast will be available. All prospective members are welcome.

Monday, November 2 • 9:30–11:00 a.m. • Founders Hall

CARE AT THE CHURCH

Care Team Prayers

Our newly created Care Team has begun praying weekly for members of our congregation. We are praying through our membership rolls alphabetically and will pray specifically for a small group of names each week. If you have a specific prayer request, please email Donna Angiolillo at donna.angiolillo@gmail.com.

Pastoral Care Team

The Pastoral Care Team has been formed to assist Pastor Steve in his mission for our church. The team will walk alongside individuals by providing visitation, communion, listening, and prayer to those facing crisis, illness, or life transitions. Your Pastoral Care Team members are Donna Angiolillo, Diane Bronson, Julie Dadlani, Debbie & Gary Etcheson, Lois Halberg, and Gary Henderson.

THIS WEEK

MON Oct 12	8:00 a.m.	AA Meeting · Library
TUE Oct 13	1:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Leaders · Stephen Ministry Room
	2:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Meeting · Library
	4:00 p.m.	Bible Study w/ Michael Northrup · Founders Hall
WED Oct 14	9:00 a.m.	Community Prayer w/ Pastor Steve · Chapel
	1:00 p.m.	Woman's Retreat Committee Mtg. · Library
THU Oct 15	9:00 a.m.	Justa Center Sandwich Making · Founders Hall
	4:00 p.m.	Bible Study w/ Pastor Steve · Founders Hall
FRI - SAT Oct 16-17	<i>No activities scheduled</i>	
SUN Oct 18	8:30 a.m.	Worship · Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m.	Fellowship · Founders Hall

SPIRITUAL THEMES IN LITERATURE

The Book Club will resume on the second Thursday in December (Dec. 10). We will review *Mark Twain* by Ron Chernow. We will meet on the second Thursday of each month through May 2027. All are welcome.

MISSIONS

Lunch making & delivery for Justa Center

3rd Thursday · 9:00 a.m.

Pad Project Ministry

Resumes Mon., Nov. 2

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Resumes Fri., Nov. 13 · 9:00 a.m.

OCTOBER MISSION DRIVE

Extended Hands Food Bank

This month we are collecting items for Extended Hands Food Bank to support their Food Pantry Program, serving kids in the Fountain Hills School District. Please help by donating **individual-sized**:

Fruit cups

Fruit bars

Goldfish or similar crackers

Cookies

Place items in the collection bin in the Narthex or Founders Hall. For easy Amazon ordering, use the link in the Announcements section of the website. Questions: Nancy Lowe, 203-395-9872. Thank you!

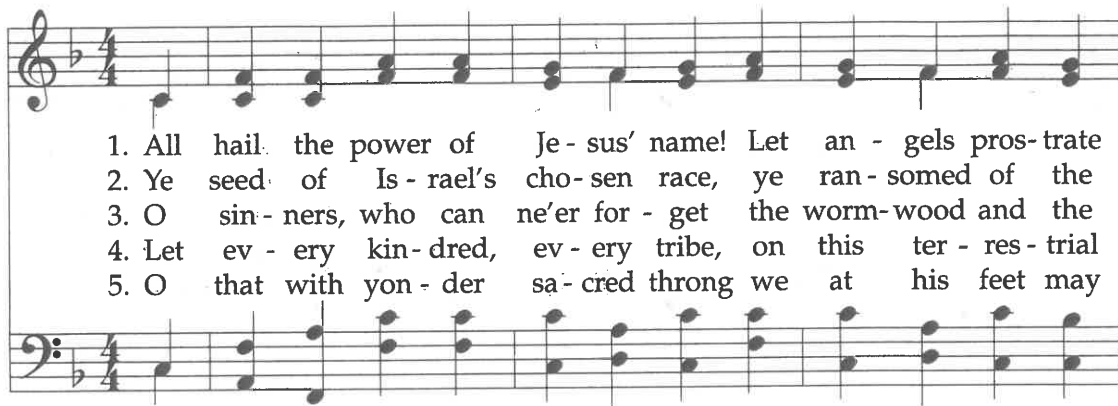
MISSION TRIP 2027 · INFO MEETING

Step into a Transformational Journey: Join Our Mission Trip to NPH Mexico!

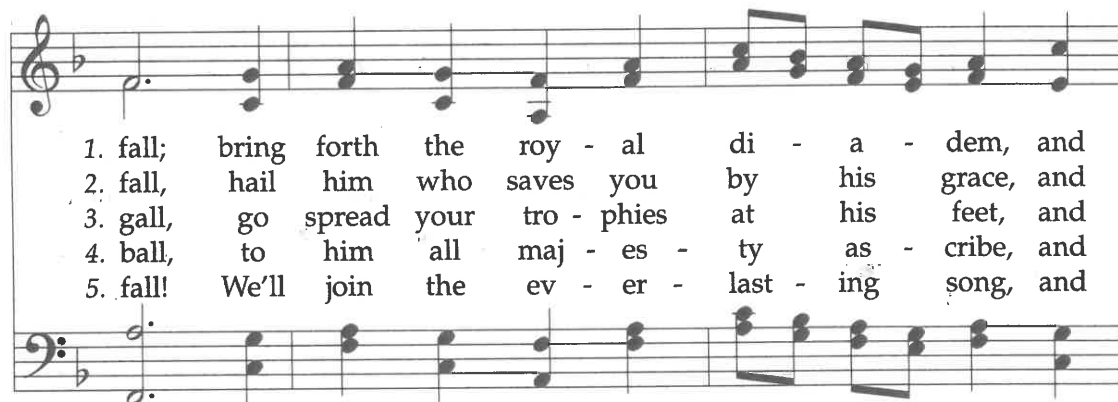
You are invited to join Pastor Steve to visit our charity partner, NPH USA, in Cuernavaca, Mexico. Join us for an information session led by NPH staff on **Wednesday, November 4 at 3 p.m. in Founders Hall.**

nphusa.org · Questions: Nancy Lowe, 203-395-9872, ntart94@gmail.com

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!



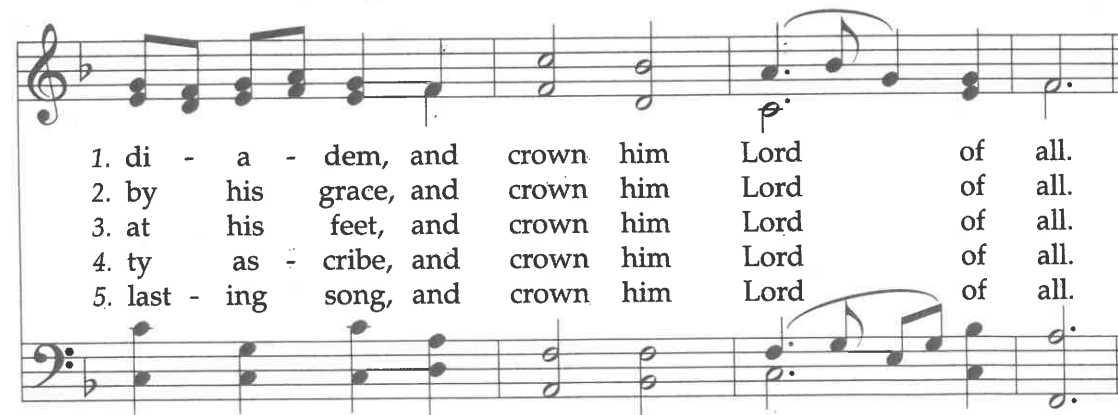
1. All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate
 2. Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the
 3. O sin - ners, who can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the
 4. Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe, on this ter - res - trial
 5. O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may



1. fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and
 2. fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and
 3. gall, go spread your tro - phies at his feet, and
 4. ball, to him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and
 5. fall! We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and



1. crown him Lord of all; bring forth the roy - al
 2. crown him Lord of all; hail him who saves you
 3. crown him Lord of all; go spread your tro - phies
 4. crown him Lord of all; to him all maj - es -
 5. crown him Lord of all; we'll join the ev - er -



1. di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all.
 2. by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
 3. at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.
 4. ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all.
 5. last - ing song, and crown him Lord of all.

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

1. Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me
 2. Not the la - bors of my hands can ful -
 3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply
 4. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine

hide my - self in thee; let the wa - ter and the blood,
 fill thy law's de - mands; could my zeal no res - pite know,
 to the cross I cling; na - ked, come to thee for dress;
 eyes shall close in death, when I soar to worlds un - known,

from thy wound - ed side which flowed, be of sin the
 could my tears for - ev - er flow, all for sin could
 help - less, look to thee for grace; foul, I to the
 see thee on thy judg - ment throne, Rock of A - ges,

dou - ble cure; save from wrath and make me pure.
 not a - tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone.
 foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
 cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

WAYS TO GIVE

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Thanks to your generosity, Community Church of the Verdes is currently operating within its projected budget. Quarterly financial reports are available in the church office.



Legacy Giving

Estate gifts may be designated to the Legacy Endowment Fund, supporting ministry and outreach, or the Memorial Garden Fund, providing for the garden's continued care.

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