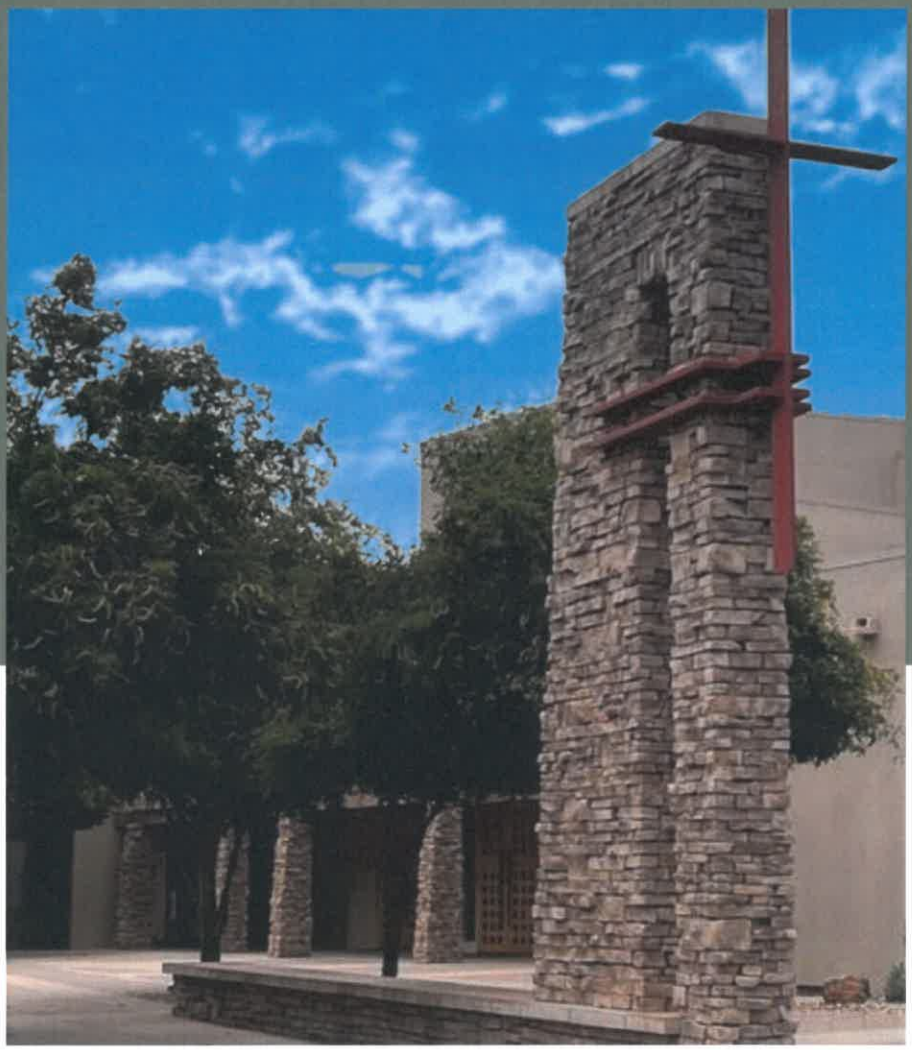


COMMUNITY CHURCH *of the Verdes*

SUNDAY WORSHIP

November 15, 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 *Come Now to Worship the Lord* Besig

***Call to Worship**

Pastor: Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her.
People: We are members of his body, and he cares for us.
Pastor: So let us be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ.
All: Come, let us worship the One who gave himself for us!

***Hymn of Praise** *"Are Ye Able," Said the Master* #621

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession *(spoken in unison)*

Almighty God, we confess that we would rather be served than serve. We have insisted on our own way, kept score instead of forgiving, and loved others only when it was easy. Forgive us, Lord. Teach us to put one another first, and fill us with the love of Christ, who gave himself for us. 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.

Call to Offering

Offertory *Oh, How Good It Is* arr. Christopher

** Please stand as you are able*

***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**

Scripture *Ephesians 5:21–33*

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.

Anthem *A Day Will Come* arr. Duren

Sermon *"Made for Submission"*

Time of Reflection

Baptism of Joy Demme

Welcome New Members

***Closing Hymn** *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* **#254**

Charge and Benediction

***Closing Response** *God Be with You Till We Meet Again* **#434**

***Postlude**

TODAY'S MUSIC

Prelude: O Perfect Love (Barnby); The Love of God (Lehman); Shall We Gather at the River? (arr. Carter)
Reflection: How Beautiful (Paris)
Postlude: Called as Partners in Christ's Service (#453)

SERVING TODAY

Communion Table: Elaine Betsch
Refreshments: Kathy Lueck, Carol Wallman
Flowers: Sharon Severson, Jennifer Ristau, Linda Paulos, Lily Ann Bence
Lector: Darrel Brenner · **Tellers:** Jan Stegmann, Terri Meyers
Ushers: Tom & Lisa Young, Charla Smith, Tom Reinarts
Road Signs: Jon Williams, Frank Bennett

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. Tickets are now available through the Community Church of the Verdes Box Office. Scan the code to order.*

ALOHA! FALL LUAU

To all who signed up: Don't forget that tomorrow night is our Annual Fall Dinner. See you there! (Reserved tickets and paid guests.)

Monday, November 16 · 5:00 p.m. · Founders Hall

TIME TO DECK THE HALLS

Calling all you fun, festive decorators! Please join us to make our beautiful church sparkle for the holidays. We will meet in Founders Hall and decorate the Sanctuary, Founders Hall, and the Chapel. Bring your Santa hats and joyful spirit for a fun-filled morning!

Monday, December 7 · 9:00 a.m. · Founders Hall

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 258, and 120 joined online.

Today's flowers were donated by Bob Dietsche in honor of Linda Smiley-Dietsche's birthday.

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 January. Questions? Contact Greg & Weezy Smith at lift5800@gmail.com.

MUSIC NOTES ♫

Welcome back, choir members! Even though the new choir season has started, you can still join. Rehearsals take place every **Wednesday, 4:00–5:30 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. No auditions are required.

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 pastoralcareteam@verdefaith.org.

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 Hedstrom.

THIS WEEK

MON Nov 16	**8:00 a.m.**	AA Meeting · Library
	9:00 a.m.	Community Prayer w/ Pastor Steve · Chapel
	1:00 p.m.	Pad Project Ministry · Sunday School Room
	4:00 p.m.	Mark Upton, Speaker · Sanctuary
	5:00 p.m.	Annual Fall Dinner Luau · Founders Hall
TUE Nov 17	**9:00 a.m.**	Community Prayer w/ Pastor Steve · Chapel
	4:00 p.m.	Bible Study w/ Michael Northrup · Founders Hall
WED Nov 18	**9:00 a.m.**	Community Prayer w/ Pastor Steve · Chapel
	4:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal · Sanctuary
THU Nov 19	**8:00 a.m.**	Bible Study w/ Ed Carpenter · Founders Hall
	9:00 a.m.	Community Prayer w/ Pastor Steve · Chapel
	9:30 a.m.	Justa Center Lunch Making · Founders Hall
	4:00 p.m.	Bible Study w/ Pastor Steve · Founders Hall
FRI Nov 20	**9:00 a.m.**	Community Prayer w/ Pastor Steve · Chapel
SAT Nov 21	*No activities scheduled*	
SUN Nov 22	**8:30 a.m.**	Worship · Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m.	Fellowship · Founders Hall
	10:30 a.m.	Steve Curry Memorial Service · Memorial Garden

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Members and friends, we will hold a Memorial Ceremony in the Memorial Garden **today at 9:45 a.m.**, directly following worship. The ceremony will honor those with ties to Community Church of the Verdes who have passed away over the past year. If you would like a loved one's name read, please sign the sheet in the front office.

MISSIONS

Lunch making & delivery for Justa Center	3rd Thursday · 9:30 a.m. · Founders Hall
Pad Project Ministry	Mondays · 1:00 p.m. · Sunday School Room
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Fri., Dec. 11 · 9:00 a.m. · Sunday School Room

NOVEMBER MISSION DRIVE

Harvest Compassion Center

This month we are collecting items for Harvest Compassion Center for their **Christmas Toy Drive**. Please help by donating:

- **LEGO sets (ages 5–12)**
- **Superhero toys & items**
- **Pokémon toys & items**
- **Barbie toys & items**

Place donations in the collection bin in the Narthex or in Founders Hall. For easy Amazon ordering, scan the code. Thank you!

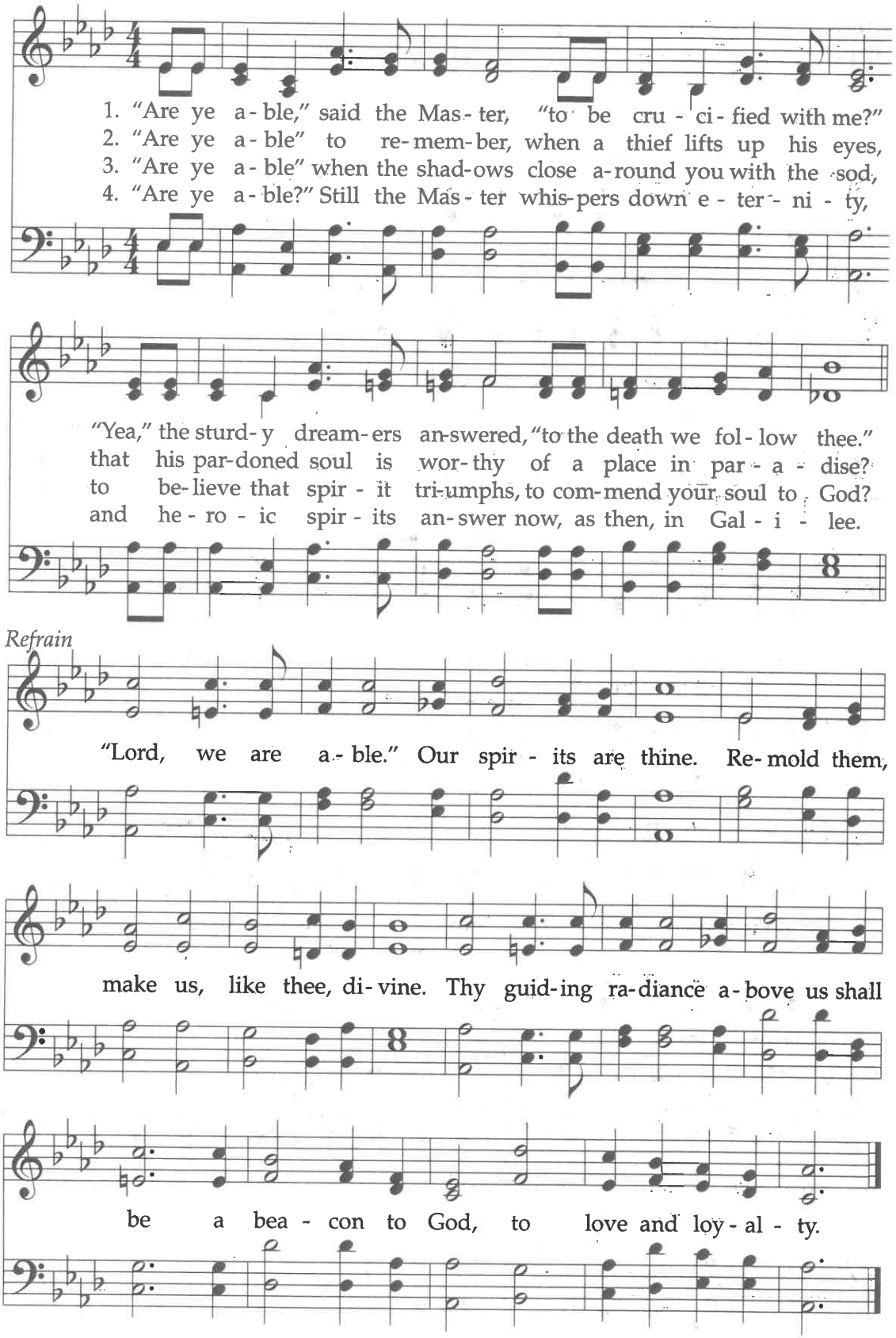
GUEST SPEAKER · CHRISTIAN FAMILY CARE

Keep on Truckin': Making the Most of the Years Ahead

Join us for a lecture by Mark Upton on **Monday, Nov. 16 at 4 p.m. in the Church Sanctuary.** We still have tremendous influence to offer, wisdom to steward, and lives to mentor.

Mark Upton is CEO of Christian Family Care and a ministry leader. He serves on the Governor's Council on Child Safety and Family Empowerment and the Department of Child Safety Community Advisory Committee.

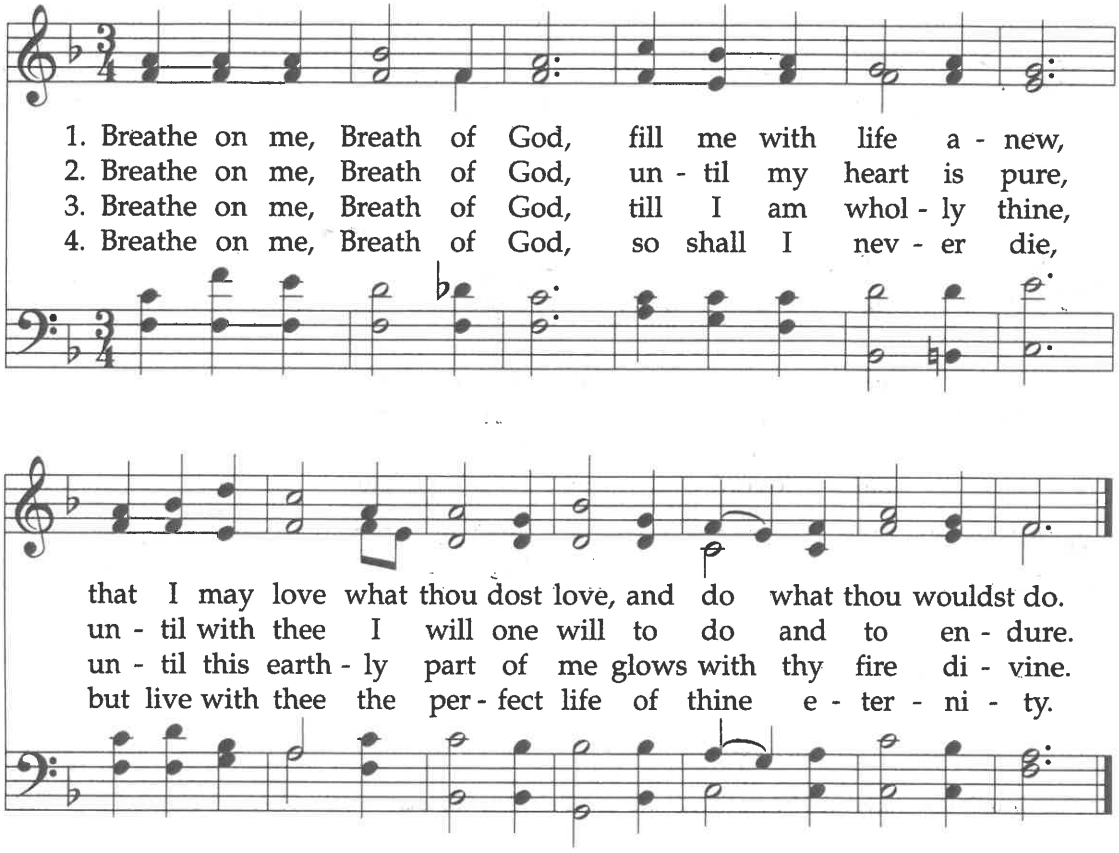
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MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888

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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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