

CONGREGATIONAL

Church *of* Soquel



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10:00am

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Life & Worship

April 21, 2024 • Season of Easter

GATHERING TOGETHER

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Ringling of the Bell

***Introit No. 801** *This Is the Day*

v 1, Hymnal 1

***Responsive Call to Worship** (from Psalm 96)

Minister: Let the heavens be glad,

Congregation: let the earth rejoice;

Minister: let the sea roar,

Congregation: and all that fills it;

Minister: let the field exult,

Congregation: and everything in it.

***No. 60** *How Great Thou Art*

vv 1 & 2, Hymnal 2

*Invocation

Responsive Reading (selections from Psalm 65)

Reader: O God, you visit the earth and water it,

Congregation: you greatly enrich it;

Reader: the river of God is full of water;

Congregation: you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

Reader: You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges,

Congregation: softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

Reader: The pastures of the wilderness overflow.

Congregation: The hills, themselves, respond with joy.

Reader: The meadows clothe themselves with flocks.

Congregation: They shout and sing together for joy.

*Congregation Standing (as you are able)

JOINING IN PRAISE & PRAYER

Special Music

Do As You Otter

by Peter Weiss, the Singing Scientist, and the Earth Rangers

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Response In Song No. 537 *Lord, Be Glorified*

Hymnal 1

1. In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In my life, Lord, be glorified today.
2. In my song
3. In your Church

SHARING THE WORK

Offertory *Branching Out*

by Peter Weiss, the Singing Scientist, and the Earth Rangers

*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

(Tune: *All Creatures of our God and King*)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God the source of all our gifts, Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts. Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

EARTH SUNDAY PRESENTATION

Emily Gomez, Program Manager I - Resilient Central Coast with Ecology Action - has been working in the environmental nonprofit industry for 15 years here in the Monterey and greater Bay Areas. She previously worked at Save Our Shores helping to implement the first plastic bag bans for our region and running the Annual Coast Cleanup Day. She has been with Ecology Action for the last 9 years. While at Ecology Action she has worked to organize Bike to Work & School days, helped grow their electric vehicle programs, ride & drive events, and coordinated outreach for the Monterey Bay Green Business Program. Emily is now primarily focused on Ecology Action's newest program, the Resilient Central Coast Campaign, which she'll be sharing about today.

Introduction & Welcome: Lynette Hamby

Presentation: *Resilient Central Coast Campaign*

Emily Gomez

PARTING WITH SONG AND PRAYER

*No. 272 *The Trees of the Field*

Hymnal 1

*Benediction

*Congregational Response in Song

We are God's people, a people of the Lord, born of the Spirit,
the Love of God outpoured; our cornerstone is Christ alone,
and strong in Him we stand: O let us live transparently,
and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

*Postlude

*Congregation Standing (as you are able)



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At Congregational Church of Soquel, we value the past with a sense of gratitude, but welcome the present moment with expectation and joy! Please join us Sundays at 10:00 am. The bell ringing from atop our historic church, established in 1868, reminds us of a rich and meaningful past. However, as our logo suggests, a living tradition of life, worship and progressive Christian faith lifts our hearts as we reach in the direction of an exciting future.

With this vision, we seek to live as Jesus taught, loving God and neighbor in ways that embrace the opportunities and needs of our time and place: creating a sustainable environment for the earth, addressing food insecurities among our neighbors, supporting families, celebrating the arts and creating a spiritual home for people of all ages and backgrounds. Together, we discover friendship and meaning through the interplay of faith, life, and service within the greater Santa Cruz community and beyond.

Join us as we unite a meaningful past with a hopeful vision moving forward.

Peace,
Mark Fountain
Minister



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THANK YOU!

- Announcer:** Jeannie Land
- Reader:** Scott Hamby
- Ushers:** Rhonda Guerrero & Patti Waldron
- Fellowship:** Carol & John Parda
- Media Team:** Laura Hamby & Scott Hamby

A special Thank You to Peter Weiss, the Singing Scientist, and the Earth Rangers for your earth friendly music today!

Church Office Hours
Tuesday - Thursday 10:00am - 1:00pm

OUR CHURCH STAFF

- Minister.....Reverend Dr. Mark Fountain
- Ministry Associate.....Reverend Patti Haaheim
- Office Manager.....Kristin Ard
- Music Director.....Camille Couture-Carter
- Pianist.....Susan Bass
- Maintenance Supervisor.....Ricardo Perez
- Ministers to the Community.....Congregation



PETER WEISS AND THE EARTH RANGERS!

Ron Goodman, Jerry Paul, and Peter Weiss

Artists' Bio: Healing the planet with music & science.

UCSC Professor of Chemistry Peter Weiss and the Earth Rangers sing original folk-rock songs about environmental issues.



APRIL Mission of the Month

'Save Our Shores' three pillars are Clean Shores, Healthy Habitats and Living Waters. Visit their website saveourshores.org to explore how they have a lasting impact on the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. To support 'Save Our Shores', please donate today. **Thank you!**

Today • 11:15-12:30
SWAP YOUR "STUFF"
EARTH DAY EVENT

FREE! Tools
Kitchenware
Sporting Goods

Give away your good old stuff!

Take what you can use!

THE FINE PRINT:

- NO MONEY EXCHANGED, FREE!
- DISPLAY YOUR "STUFF" ON TABLES IN THE COURTYARD AS EARLY AS 9:00AM.
- DONORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR REMOVING THEIR LEFTOVER STUFF AT THE END OF THE EVENT.

Sponsored by the Earth Ministry Team (EMT)
with the goal of sharing "stuff" with others to reduce
mass consumer consumption of our Earth's resources.

Join us in this Earth Day Celebration of Sharing!



Amanda & Justin Granados

have a

New Baby Girl!

Red Bear Granados

Born on March 25, 2024

9 lbs and 21" long

From Justin: "Everyone is good and home nesting"
New mailing address: PO Box 852, Linden, CA 95236

Coming April 28th:

- 1) Safety evacuation drill. We'll have step by step instructions so we can practice and be prepared in case of emergency.
- 2) Meet in the courtyard during fellowship if you'd like to learn more about the new Parrish Hall double doors.

**Church
Funday!**

Truth In Advertising...

It's our *annual* church
workday, but Hey!

It's a great way to
fellowship with friends &
spiff up the church at the
same time!



Bring: Tools, Gloves for
your favorite job! *OR* just
show up! We promise to
have a job for you!

Door Prizes! & Hotdog
Lunch provided!

**Saturday,
May 18th**

9 am-Noon

Calling ALL Pressure Washers! YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE!

Stay tuned! There will be a pressure washing day prior to the work day. We'll keep you posted! We're going to put some of this year's generous winter storm waters to work!

