

**Monte Vista Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**  
**3501 Campus Blvd. NE Albuquerque, NM 87106**

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*(<https://www.montevista.org/vistastream>)*

***Second Sunday after Pentecost***

**June 22, 2025**

**10:30am MT**

**Order of Worship**

- Welcome Rev. Dr. Dawn Rosignol
- Prelude from *Three Organ Meditations: #1* Paulette McClellan  
by Gilbert Martin
- \*Call to Worship Ken O'Rourke
- One: Come, all who are troubled and seeking refuge and light.  
**Many: We seek the presence of God's light and truth.**
- One: Come, all who are shining God's light and truth in this world.  
**Many: We seek the guidance of God's holy presence.**
- One: Jesus meets us where we are, calming storms within and without,  
**Many: restoring and renewing us, leading us to wholeness.**
- One: Let our worship be filled with thanksgiving, praising the magnificence of our God.  
**Many: God is our hope and exceeding joy!**
- \*Opening Hymn *O Breath of Life* 250
- \*Opening Prayer Ken
- Gracious and loving God. You are our light in times of darkness and our refuge in the midst of threatening storms. Just as Jesus restored the man tormented by unclean spirits, so you bring healing and hope to these troubling times. Shine your light into the shadows of our lives, dispelling fear and uncertainty. Strengthen us with your Spirit, that we will walk boldly in the paths of faith and justice. Fill our worship with joy and thanksgiving, for your inclusive love is our strength and eternal hope. Speak to us in our worship that we will trust in your power to transform and renew us. In your many holy names we pray. Amen.
- First Scripture Reading Psalm 43 Ken
- Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people; from those who are deceitful and unjust, deliver me! For you are the God in whom I take refuge; why have you cast me off? Why must I walk about mournfully because of the oppression of the enemy? O send out your light and your truth; let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and

to your dwelling. Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy, and I will praise you with the harp, O God, my God. Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall again praise God, my help and my God.

One: A word from God for the people of God. **Many: Thanks be to God.**

Prayer Hymn

*O Christ, the Healer*

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(Please share your prayer concerns & joys with Rev. Dawn at [revdawn@montevista.org](mailto:revdawn@montevista.org).)

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Rev. Dawn

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (in unison)

**Blessed One, our Father and our Mother. Holy is your name. May your love be embodied in the world. May your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Protect us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For all that we do in your love, and all that your love brings to birth, and the fullness of love that will be, are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Special Music

*Deep Peace*  
by Douglas E. Wagner

Vista Voices

Sermon Text

Luke 8:26-39

Rev. Dawn

Then Jesus and the disciples arrived at the region of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As Jesus stepped out on shore, a man from the city who had demons met him. For a long time the man had not worn any clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, shouting, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me," for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized the man; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" The man said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding, and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So Jesus gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd stampeded down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they became frightened. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then the whole throng of people of the surrounding region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them, for they were seized with great fear. So Jesus got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone out begged that he might be with Jesus, but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and

declare how much God has done for you.” So the man went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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Sermon *“Liberating Encounters”* Rev. Dawn

Special Music *Here I Am, Lord* Vista Bells  
by Daniel L. Schutte; arr. by Arnold B. Sherman

Sharing in Communion and Stewardship  
Invitation to the Table Anne Loveless

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\*Communion Hymn *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* 419

Words of Institution Rev. Dawn

Prayers for the Elements Anne

Receiving Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving Rev. Dawn

Be The Neighbor

Invitation to the Community of MVCC Rev. Dawn

\*Closing Hymn *Alchemy of Healing*

\*Announcements Rev. Dawn

\*Benediction Rev. Dawn

Postlude from *Organ Book: #10 Pasticcio* Paulette  
by Jean Langlais

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Ken O'Rourke, Worship Leader Paulette McClellan, Organist/Pianist

Wally Miller, Sound Rev. Dr. Dawn Rosignol, Senior Minister, Preaching & Presiding

O Breath of Life

1. O Breath of Life, come sweep - ing through us,  
 2. O Wind of God, come, bend us, break us,  
 3. O Breath of Love, come, breathe with - in us,

re - vive your church with life and power.  
 till hum - bly we con - fess our need.  
 re - new - ing thought and will and heart.

O Breath of Life, come, cleanse, re - new us,  
 Then in your ten - der - ness re - make us;  
 Come, love of Christ, a - fresh to win us;

and fit your church to meet this hour.  
 re - vive, re - store, for this we plead.  
 re - vive your church in ev - ery part.

O Christ, the Healer

1. O Christ, the heal - er, we have come to pray for  
 2. From ev - ery ail - ment flesh en - dures our bod - ies  
 3. How strong, O Christ, are our de - sires, how weak our  
 4. In con - flicts that de - stroy our health we rec - og -  
 5. Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your com -

1. health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to  
 2. clam - or to be freed; yet in our hearts we  
 3. knowl - edge of our - selves! Re - lease in us those  
 4. nize the world's dis - ease; our com - mon life de -  
 5. mu - ni - ty may find the whole - ness that, en -

1. be re - stored when reached by love that nev - er ends?  
 2. would con - fess that whole - ness is our deep - est need.  
 3. heal - ing truths un - con - scious pride re - sists or shelves.  
 4. clares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?  
 5. rich - ing us, shall reach the whole of hu - man - kind.

WORDS: Fred Pratt Green, 1967  
 MUSIC: Anonymous; harm. Edward Miller, 1790

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# 419 All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

1. All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.  
 2. All who hun-ger, nev - er strang - ers, seek - er, be a wel - come guest.  
 3. All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.

Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here, in truth, we will be fed.  
 Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.  
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.

You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.  
 We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.  
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.  
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.  
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WORDS: Sylvia Dunstan, 1990  
 MUSIC: *Columbian Harmony*, 1825

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# Alchemy of Healing

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COLUMCILLE  
Irish Melody, arr. John Bell

1. The cour - age we bor - row, the cour - age we bring  
2. Bring grace and bring kind - ness to all that you sing,  
3. The dark - ness we ban - ish, the sha - dow we blame  
4. Come ga - ther your pow - er with good friends a - round.

shall bind us in strength to the heal - ing we sing.  
to heal and to hon - our each fierce ten - der thing.  
though hid - den, may help us to find our true name.  
To - geth - er we stand in the truth of this ground.

The cour - age to face an - y wound that we fear  
Each shame left un - spo - ken may yet shine a light,  
So bring all your cour - age that all be made whole,  
Our cour - age can make us, can heal and can mend,

shall bind us in beau - ty and bless ev - ery tear.  
a place that seemed bro - ken, that place can give life.  
trans - form - ing your stor - y in bo - dy and soul.  
and a wound can be sa - cred, an - y wound we tran - scend.