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

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#### Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 10, 2025 10:30am MT

#### **Order of Worship**

Welcome

Wayne Hammar

Prelude

Shepherd Song

Paulette McClellan

by Domenico Scarlatti; arr. by Steven Scott

\*Call to Worship

Gerri Warner

One:

This is a time of community, joy, and celebration. It is also a holy time of self-

examination, seeking, and commitment. We are called to be open to both the grace

and the challenge of God.

Many:

We come as we are. We want to be ready for the transformation that is

available through worship.

One:

Let us enter more deeply into the Mystery of God.

Many:

We are ready to focus on what God has in store for us today. Let us

worship.

\*Opening Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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\*Opening Prayer

Gerri

Love at the heart of the universe, God beyond understanding yet within our experience, we come to praise and celebrate you, but also to draw closer, to be in communion with you, each other, and all that is. Help us in this time of worship, to be able to confess our sins, feel your forgiveness, and be able to commit ourselves more fully to following the example and teachings of Jesus. Clear our minds to perceive your word for us and send us forth in the joy of being the Body of Christ in the world. In your many holy names we pray. Amen.

First Scripture Reading

Isaiah 1:10-20

Gerri

Hear the LORD's word, you leaders of Sodom. Listen to our God's teaching, people of Gomorrah! What should I think about all your sacrifices? says the LORD. I'm fed up with entirely burned offerings of rams and the fat of well-fed beasts. I don't want the blood of bulls, lambs, and goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from you, this trampling of my temple's courts? Stop bringing worthless offerings. Your incense repulses

me. New moon, sabbath, and the calling of an assembly— I can't stand wickedness with celebration! I hate your new moons and your festivals. They've become a burden that I'm tired of bearing. When you extend your hands, I'll hide my eyes from you. Even when you pray for a long time, I won't listen. Your hands are stained with blood. Wash! Be clean! Remove your ugly deeds from my sight. Put an end to such evil; learn to do good. Seek justice: help the oppressed; defend the orphan; plead for the widow. Come now, and let's settle this, says the LORD. Though your sins are like scarlet, they will be white as snow. If they are red as crimson, they will become like wool. If you agree and obey, you will eat the best food of the land. But if you refuse and rebel, you will be devoured by the sword. The LORD has said this.

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

Prayer Hymn

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

254 (vv 1, 2)

(Please share your prayer concerns & joys with us at office@montevista.org.)

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Wayne

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Rev. Dr. Stephen J. Miller

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

 $Sonata for \ Unaccompanied \ Euphonium, Mvt \ II \qquad {\it Travis Rourk, euphonium} \\ {\it by Fred L. Clinard}$ 

Sermon Text Luke 12:32-40 Rev. Steve

"Don't be afraid, little flock, because your Father delights in giving you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give to those in need. Make for yourselves wallets that don't wear out—a treasure in heaven that never runs out. No thief comes near there, and no moth destroys. Where your treasure is, there your heart will be too. Be dressed for service and keep your lamps lit. Be like people waiting for their master to come home from a wedding celebration, who can immediately open the door for him when he arrives and knocks on the door. Happy are those servants whom the master finds waiting up when he arrives. I assure you that, when he arrives, he will dress himself to serve, seat them at the table as honored guests, and wait on them. Happy are those whom he finds alert, even if he comes at midnight or just before dawn. But know this, if the homeowner had known what time the thief was coming, he wouldn't have allowed his home to be broken into. You also must be ready, because the Human One is coming at a time when you don't expect him."

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

Hymn of Response

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult

337 (vv 1, 3, 4)

Sharing in Communion and Stewardship

Invitation to the Table

Anne Loveless

(Your tithes & offerings can be given via online donations on <u>our website</u>, on the <u>Givelify app</u>, or by mailing your check to the church office. Thank you.)

\*Communion Hymn

I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table

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Words of Institution

Rev. Steve

Prayers for the Elements

Anne

**Receiving Communion** 

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Steve

Invitation to the Community of MVCC

Wayne

\*Closing Hymn

We Are Walking

442 (Walking, Siyahamba,

Marching, Dancing)

\*Announcements

Rev. Steve

\*Benediction

Rev. Steve

Postlude

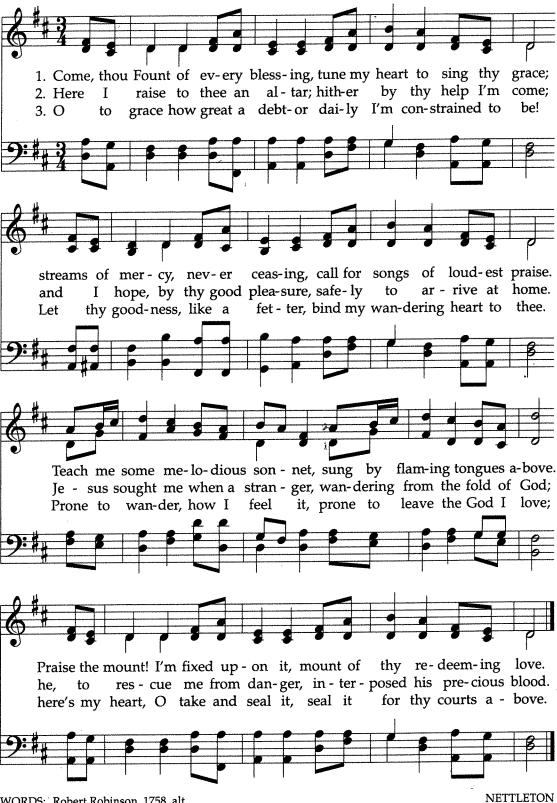
Deo Gracias [Op. 50 #6] by Joseph W. Jenkins Paulette

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Gerri Warner, Worship Leader Wally Miller, Sound Paulette McClellan, Organist/Pianist Rev. Dr. Stephen Miller, Preaching & Presiding

Rev. Dr. Dawn Rosignol, Senior Minister

## Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



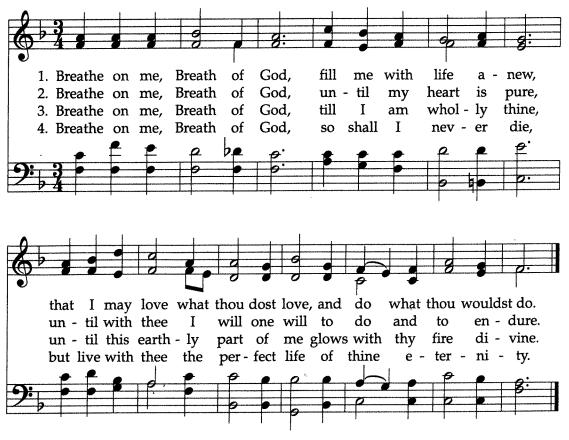
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MUSIC: Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813

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### Breathe on Me, Breath of God



WORDS: Edwin Hatch, 1878, alt. MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888

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## Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult



WORDS: Cecil F. Alexander, 1852 MUSIC: William H. Jude, 1874 GALILEE 87.87

### 424 I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table



- 4. Here all the world will find a welcome.
- 5. We're gonna feast on milk and honey.

WORDS: African-American spiritual, alt.

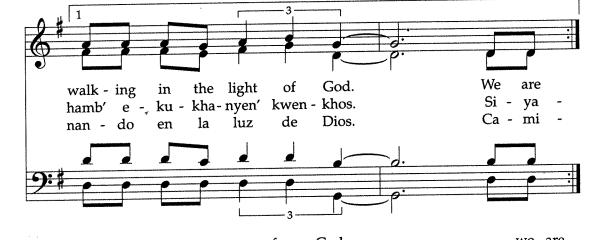
MUSIC: African-American spiritual; arr. Carl Ditson, alt.

Irr. =124-132

WELCOME TABLE

# We Are Walking (Siyahamba/Caminando)







<sup>\*</sup> marching/singing/dancing/praying

