Announcements:

- **1. Welcome:** Welcome to all Newcomers and Visitors! Please join us downstairs after Worship Service for refreshments.
- **2. Unity Candle:** Churches in the Presbytery are praying for the congregation hosting the candle each week. It is at St. Andrews Presbyterian in Aptos today. Their pastor is Rev. Anne McAnelly. Their primary ministry focuses on the homeless and they partner with other local churches to bring portable showers to the homeless in the area, provide a hot meal, and food staples to the Recuperative Care Center that is a 24-hour homeless shelter for those recovering from a hospital stay that do not have a place to transition who do not need medical care in Santa Cruz County.
- **3. Thursday Night Bible Study:** The group is studying "Cojourners: Joining others in Spiritual Journey". It meets from 7-8 PM on Zoom. Please email the church to receive book & discussion materials at elesteropc@gmail.com.
- **4. Open Art Studio:** The watercolor group plans to resume gathering the 1st Saturday of each month for in-person lessons and painting on February 1st in the Fellowship Room. All painting and sketching levels are welcome. You can email the church if you would like to be invited at elesteropc@gmail.com.
- **5. Hiking Fellowship:** Hikes will resume in March when the weather will be more predictable. Richard and Natsuko are interested in learning about any new hiking paths you have discovered.
- **6. Ukulele Music Fellowship:** The next regular practice will be held on Saturday, February 1st following Fellowship. Beginners are always welcome. Please let Richard and Natsuko know if you are interested.
- **7. Donation Barrels:** Donations are appreciated by The Salvation Army Monterey Peninsula Corps and Food Bank for Monterey County who have barrels in our Fellowship Room.

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Worship Order

Welcome & Announcements

Richard Marquez

A Word for Your Week (Psalm 32:8) Richard Marquez I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye.

Call to Worship (Psalm 127:1-2) Richard Marquez

Leader: Unless the Lord builds the house,
ALL: they labor in vain who build it;
Leader: Unless the Lord guards the city,

ALL: the watchman stays awake in vain.

Leader: It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late,

ALL: **to eat the bread of painful labor,**Leader: For He gives to His beloved sleep.

Opening Prayer Richard Marquez

*Opening Hymn Ukulele Fellowship

"Matthew 11"

"The Old Rugged Cross"

Scripture Reading (James 4:13-17) Richard Marquez
Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, spend a year there, buy and

sell, and make a **profit**"; whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away. Instead, you ought to say, "**If the Lord wills,** we shall live and do this or that." But now you boast in your **arrogance**. All such boasting is evil. Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin.

Sermon "Facing Our Future" Dr. Wayne Shen

*Closing Hymn

Ukulele Fellowship

"Days of Love"

Benediction

Fellowship with Church Family on Zoom

Richard Marquez

*Congregation Standing