**:Announcements:**

*Celebrations and Thanksgivings****:***

\* Birthdays: Christina [8/8]

\* Jennifer’s new job

*Communal Activities and Mission*:

\* Bonfire: Aug 16th, 9am-ish

\* Another church will use the main sanctuary from 5:30pm

\* Joint youth retreat – please support them!

*Mission trip*:

\* When: Aug 11-13th

\* Where: Greenville UMC, 206 Pine St. Greenville, CA 95947

\* What: Painting, repair, food service, and evangelism

*Spiritual Gatherings*:

\* Small Groups (varies)

\* Friday Night Meeting for August 8th: Bible study Q & A

# Offering for July: $1,950.50

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Sunday Worship at 2 PM in the main sanctuary.

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**Aletheia Ministries**

*Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.*

WELCOME!

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**\* (Please rise if you are able)**

**Gather**

**\* Praise** Praise Team

**Word**

Scripture Reading Rebekah

**Reader**: The passage for today is Matthew 14:13-21

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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**\* Closing Praise Praise Team**

**Sending**

**\* Benediction** Pastor Paul

Ministry Leaders

Andy K. (Small Groups and Mission)

Andrew, Micky, Hee Jun, David (Praise)

Jenny, Jong Duk, Andy Y. (Worship)

Jennifer (Finance)

Chris, Stephanie (Activities)

Tim, Young (Communications)

Aaron Ting (Community Life)

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**Prayers of the People** Everyone

***Pastor:*** Gracious God, we pray for Aletheia Ministries. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in any thing it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide it; where it is divided, reunite it.

***Pastor***: Let us pray together in silence our communal prayers:

\* Peace in the Palestinian region; Christians in Iraq

\* Multiple airplane disasters; ebola outbreak in West Africa

\* KM mission and joint youth retreat preparations

\* Members with exams; new pastor search

***Everyone:*** Ever-living God,who desires that all should come to you through your Son Jesus Christ, inspire our witness to Him, that all may know the power of His forgiveness and the hope of His resurrection; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

**Confession**

**\* The Apostle’s Creed Everyone**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again;

He ascended into heaven,

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He is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\* Confession of Sins**   **Everyone**

***Everyone***: God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

***Pastor***: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

**Sharing**

**\* Sharing of Peace Pastor Paul**

***Pastor***: The Peace of Christ be always with you

**People**: And also with you

**Announcements Tim**

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**\* Offering** **Praise** Praise Team

**\* Offering Prayer Jason**

**\* Eucharist (*Every first Sunday*)** Everyone

***Presider*: The Lord be with you.**

***People*: And also with you.**

***Presider*: Lift your hearts.**

***People*: We lift them to the Lord.**

***Presider*: We praise you and we bless you… lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:**

***Presider and People***: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest.

***Presider***: Glory and honor and praise to you… as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

***Presider and People***: The Lord’s Prayer ***Presider***: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. ***People***: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

**:Post-communion Prayer:**

***Presider and People***: God of abundance, we give you thanks for uniting us and restoring us in your image. You have graciously nourished us with spiritual food, and now, send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

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**Reader**: This is the Word of God for the people of God

**All**: Thanks be to God.

**Message** Pastor Paul

**:Sermon Notes for Small Group Discussions:**

\* What is the other interpretation of the passage for today? What kind of miracle?

\* Have you shared your time, money, and prayers with someone lately?

\* Where would you like to see this miracle of sharing happen?

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