**Sunday worship -- April 26 -- (**go to **uccalpena.org** to view the video**)**

Words of Welcome **Lynn Borke, Lay Reader**

**Opening Song** *“****Through It All****”* (words & music by Andre Crouch, 1971) **Kat Tomaszewski, Organist**

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1. I’ve had many tears and sorrows. I’ve had questions for tomorrow. There’ve been times I didn’t know right from wrong. But in every situation, God gave blessed consolation

that my trials come to only make me strong.

***(Refrain)*** Through it all, through it all, I’ve learned to trust in Jesus, I’ve learned to trust

 in God. Through it all, through it all, I’ve learned to depend upon His Word.

1. I’ve been to lots of places, and I’ve seen a lot of faces. There’ve been times I felt so all

alone. But in my lonely hours, yes, those precious lonely hours, Jesus let me know that I was His own. ***(repeat refrain)***

1. I thank God for the mountains, and I thank Him for the valleys. I thank Him for the storms

He brought me through; for if I’d never had a problem, I wouldn’t know that God could solve them, I’d never know what faith in God could do. ***(repeat refrain)***

**Call To Worship and Morning Prayer (written by Larry Elwood)**

One: How swiftly our emotions change, dear God. When we’re down, Your Spirit comes to lift us with graceful words and loving kindness. Then, when we’re up, something bad happens (or somebody says some-thing that offends us) and our hearts suddenly fill with pain and rage.

**ALL: Forgive us, God, for trusting our changing emotions instead of trusting Your steadfast**

 **good will. Help us to focus on what’s really important.**

One: Forgive us for living such scattered and self-centered lives.

**ALL: We are so busy that we never seem to have time to stop and catch our breath.**

**We don’t take time to pray. We have so little time for others and so little patience.**

One: Yet, even when we fail or falter, You remain true to Your name, All-embracing God.

You always lead us back to the right path.

**ALL: We cannot go too far astray, for You will always seek us. We can never go out of the**

 **bounds of Your compassion, for You are always with us.**

One: You fill our lives every day anew until we overflow with Your blessings. Thank You, God, for

 always being there. We now pray together the words Your Son, our Savior, taught us to say:

**All: “*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory forever. Amen.”***

**The Gloria Patri** (sung)

**“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.”**

Scripture Matthew 9:9-13

**\*Hymn # 230 “*Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*” (verses 1, 2, & 3 only)**

 **(1) Amazing grace, how... (2) T’was grace that taught… (3) Through many dangers…**

Sermon “How do we know what is God’s Will when someone is suffering?”

Doxology *“Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below!*

 *Praise God above, ye heavenly host! Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen”*

Benediction

May the peace of Jesus Christ go with you. May the blessings of God be with you. May God give you health and strength and courage to live. Live in the joy of the Easter Gospel! Alleluia, and Amen.

**Response** (sung) *“****And God will raise you up on eagle’s wings…”*** (see April 19 for the words)