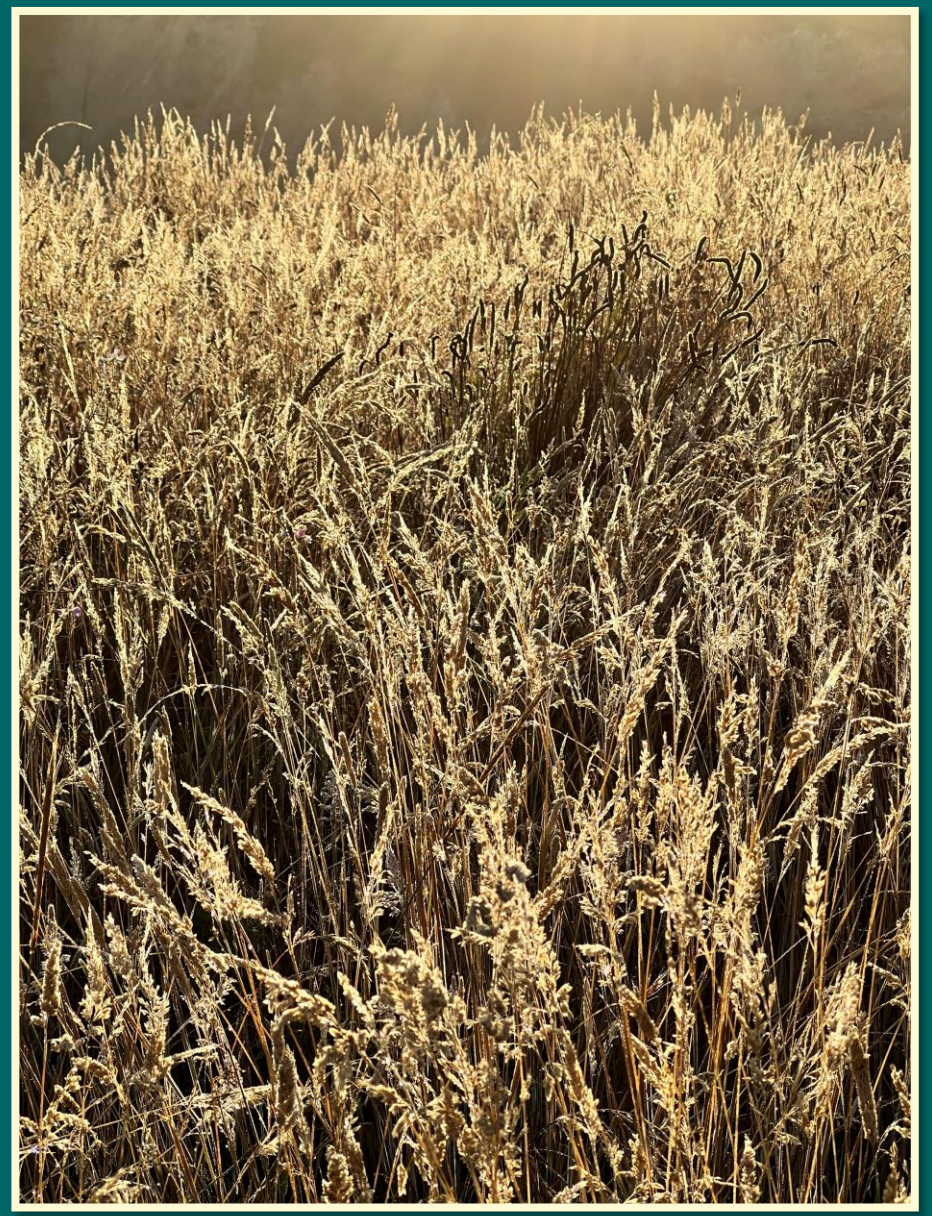

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Sunday, August 30, 2026

Culmore United Methodist Church

Welcome and Good Morning!

Welcome and Announcements

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Happy Birthday!

Once again it's your birthday. Once again the time is here.
What a loving gift from Jesus, He has given you one more year.
Happy time is your birthday, happy time this year.
What a loving gift from Jesus, He has given you one more year.
Oh happy birthday to you, oh happy birthday to you.
For you have Jesus Christ everyday of your life.
Oh happy birthday to you, oh happy birthday to you.
The Lord bless and keep you.
Happy birthday to you. And to Jesus with you.
God bless you and keep you. Happy birthday to you.

Blessed Be Your Name - W&Song #3002

Blessed Be Your Name in the land that is plentiful

Where Your streams of abundance flow

Blessed be Your name.

When I'm found in the desert place

Though I walk through the wilderness

Blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.

When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say blessed be Your name.

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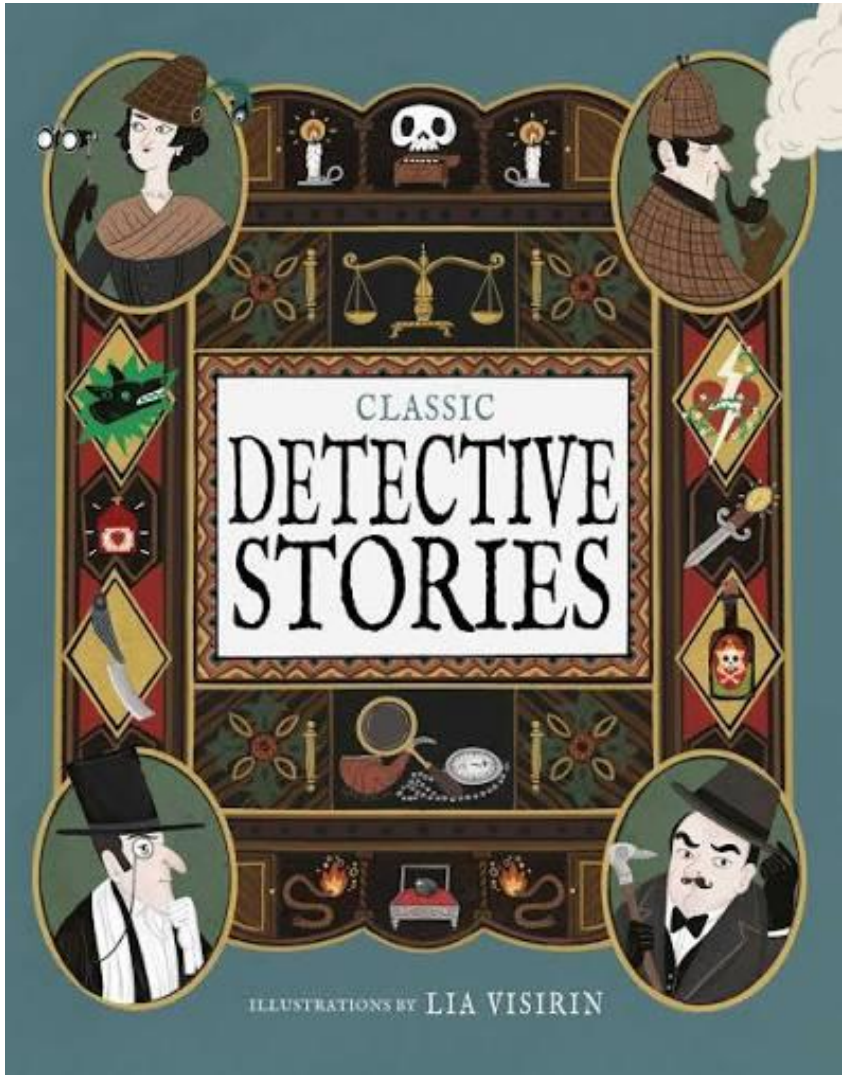
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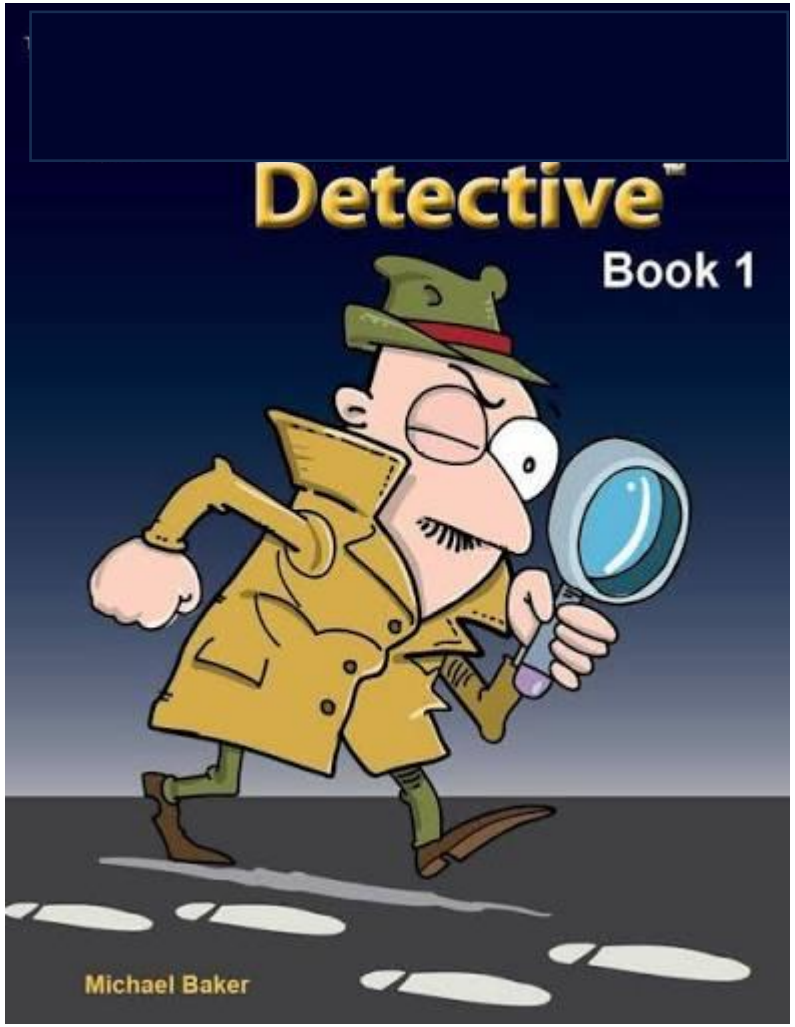
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"I am the Alpha and Omega, says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."—***Revelation 1 : 8***

"I am the Alpha and the Omega,
the First and the Last,
the Beginning and the End."
—***Revelation 22: 13***

Jesus, the Light of the World

Opening Prayer

Dear Lord,

You are the Light of the World. Where would we be without You? We would be lost in darkness, afraid and unsure of where to go or what to do.

Lead us ever closer to your Light and illumine the path before us. We need you, o Light of the World.

Amen

Responsive Reading: Isaiah 60: 1-2, 19-21

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you.

See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples,

But the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you.

The sun will no more be your light by day,

nor will the brightness of the moon shine on you,

for the LORD will be your everlasting light,

and your God will be your glory.

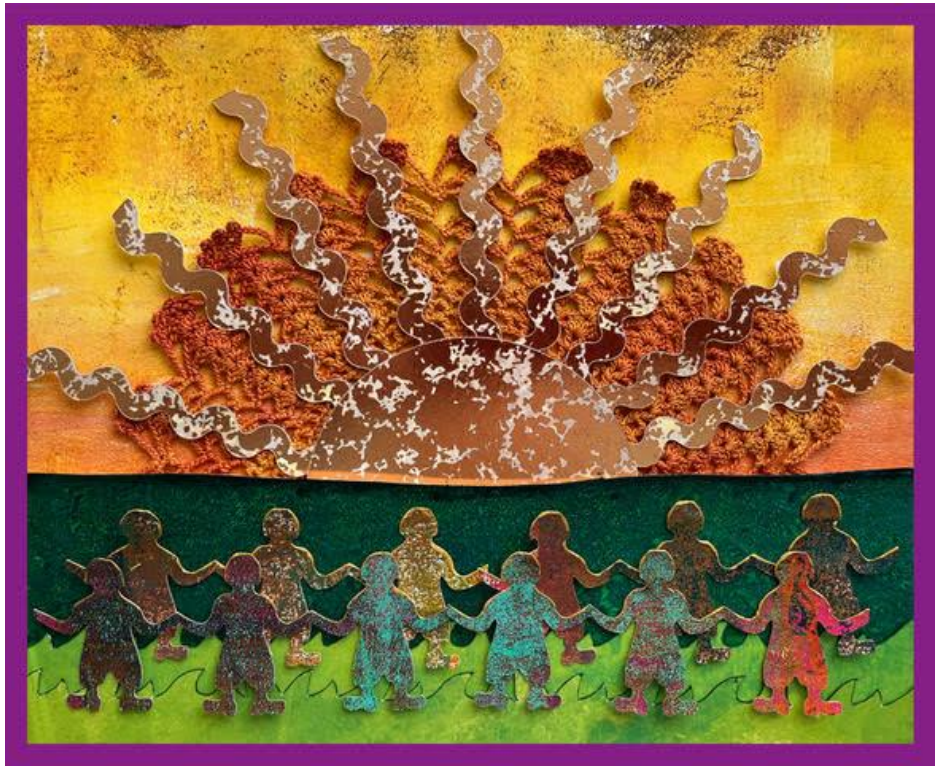
Your sun will never set again, and your moon will wane no more.

The LORD will be your everlasting light,

and your days of sorrow will end.

Then all your people will be righteous,

and they will possess the land forever.



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John 1: 1-5

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,

and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God….

In him was life, and that life was the light of all people.

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The Light shines
in the darkness,
and the darkness
has not overcome it.

—John 1:5

Feast of Tabernacles:

Illumination of the Temple

John 8: 12

"**I am the light of the world**.

Whoever follows me will never

walk in darkness, but will have

the light of life."

Revelation 22: 16

I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches.

I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the **bright Morning Star**.

Jesus the Light of the World – Worship & Song 3056

See the bright and Morning Star, Jesus the Light of the World.
He has risen in our hearts in our hearts, Jesus the Light of the World.

He's the lamp that lights our way, Jesus the Light of the World.
Step by step and day by day, Jesus the Light of the World.

No more darkness, no more night-- Jesus the Light of the World.
He will shine forever bright, Jesus the Light of the World.

Walk in the light, beautiful light,
Come where his love and his mercy are bright.
Shine all around us by day and by night,
Jesus, the Light of the World.

Community Prayer

LORD Jesus, the **Bright and Morning Star**, we love the warmth of Your constant presence, and deeply appreciate the way You show us the way we are to go with Your light.

Alpha and Omega, You have been there from the very beginning, when You, the Almighty Father and the Holy Spirit formed creation and every perfect thing in it.

You have been present for us since before we were born, and we will be together into eternity in the glory of Heaven with the Father.

It is amazing to think that all of this has been planned before the beginning of time, and everything being accomplished now is falling into line with God's perfect plan.

Like the book of Revelation, we can only see darkly the outlines of God's plans, and how He is making sure they are carried out.

There is so much happening that we fail to understand, but we ask only that You walk with us now and keep us working together to do everything that is planned for us to do, and trust in You for the best to happen! **AMEN**

Offering and Doxology
UM Hymnal 95

We give thanks for this wonderful,
generous community of faith.

Doxology - UM Hymnal 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

My Life Is in You Lord – TFWS 2032

My life is in You Lord

My strength is in You Lord

My hope is in You Lord

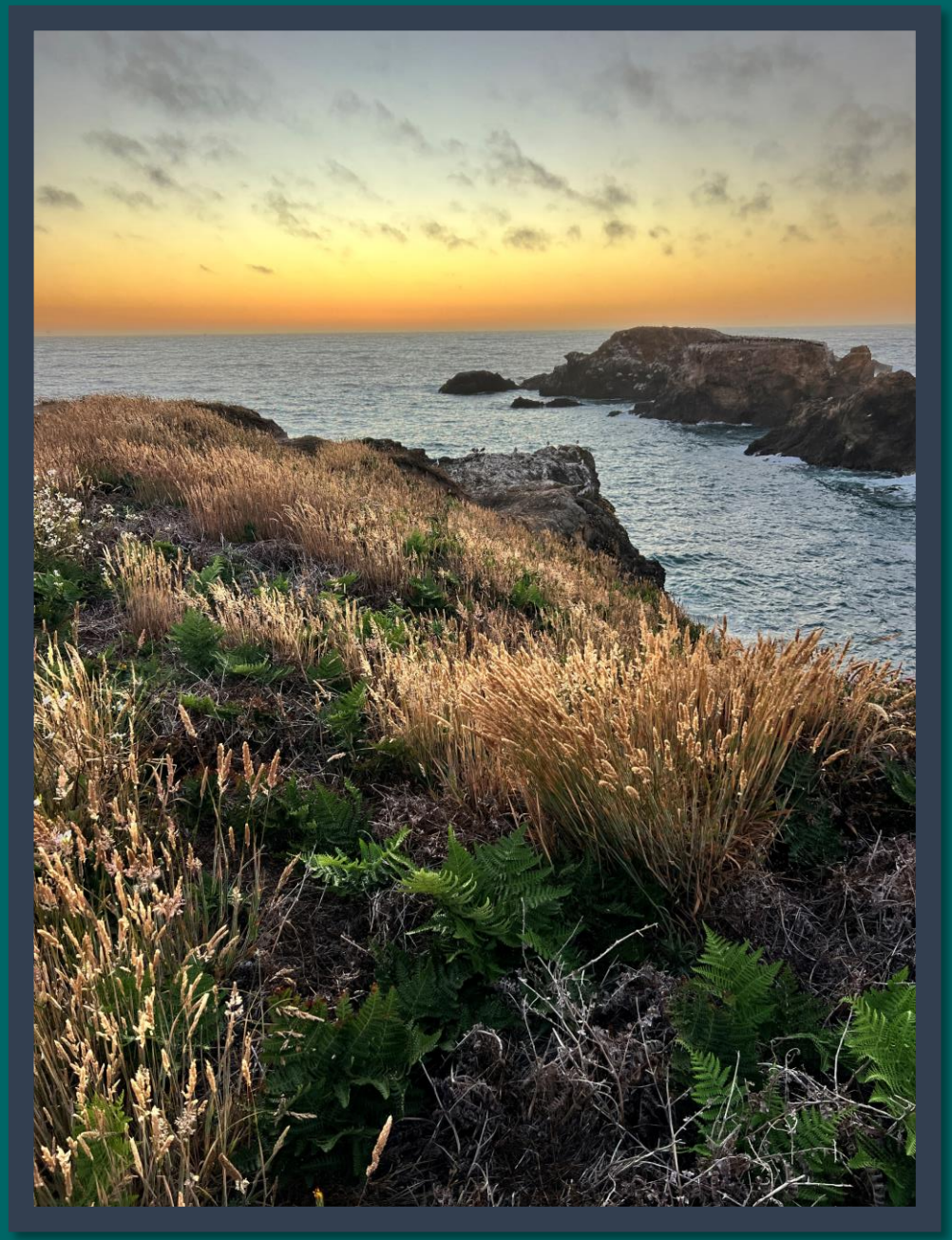
In You it's in You.

I will praise you with all of my life.

I will praise you with all of my strength.

With all of my life, with all of my strength,

All of my hope is in hope.



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Benediction