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We are enlivened and empowered by the everlasting power of God’s rainbow of love and light. This is a moment to grow in generosity and joyful hearts. Let’s stay steady, and be faithful and creative, offering all the gifts with which we have been blessed to hold one another through these times.

- Continue to give generously.
- Donations to the Westside Food Bank may be made in support of their virtual food bank at: www.westsidefoodbankca.org.
- Take care. Wash your hands.
- Do everything in your power to help stop the spread of the virus.
- Deepen the bonds of love amongst family, friends and neighbors in our new-found extra time together.
- Be creative. Reach out to one another with love and care.
- Check the church website for updates on worship and ministry opportunities.

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**Psalm 23 (Craig Courtney)**

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