



# Mariner's **DISCOVERY Church**

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## ***Program for Sunday, March 1, 2026***

*Please welcome the worship music team this week!*

**Call to Worship:** *His Love Endures Forever*

*Eye of the Storm*

**Welcome, announcements, and prayer:**

**Thanks for joining our Worship Service today....**

- **Bible Studies are on temporary Hiatus until further notice.**
- **The 2025 Giving Statements have been mailed out.** If you didn't receive yours or you have any questions, please contact the Church Office at 925-354-1096.
- **Please plan on attending our Potluck, and Annual Business Meeting following the worship service on today after the service.** We will give a property construction update, present the 2025 financial report, and vote on the 2026 budget. There will also be a question-and-answer session. This is an important meeting so please attend.
- **Attention Ladies** – Mark your calendar for Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 9 A.M., for Breakfast at the **Discovery Bay Marina Restaurant**
- **Attention Men** - Mark your calendar for next Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 9 A.M., for Breakfast at **Diggers Dinner in Discovery Bay**
- **We have signed a contract for the construction of the Patio Cover Addition.** Work should begin between Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> and March 24<sup>th</sup>, depending on County permitting and receipt of materials. Thank you for your continued support.
- **If you have any prayer requests,** please fill out a Connect Envelope and place it in the wooden offering box in the back. Also, during the week you can email requests at:

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***Thank You for your Offerings!!***

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**Adoration:** *I Surrender All*

**Selected Scripture readings.**

**Message:** *The Transformed Will*

**Affirmation:** *New Creation*

**Close of Worship Service, Fellowship continues**

***Selected Scriptures:***

**John 6:44** "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.

**Deuteronomy 30:6** "Moreover the Lord your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your descendants, to love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, so that you may live."

**Hebrews 13:20-21** Now the God of peace, who brought up from the dead the great Shepherd of the sheep through the blood of the eternal covenant, even Jesus our Lord, equip you in every good thing to do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**Proverbs 16:9** The mind of man plans his way,  
But the Lord directs his steps.

**Proverbs 19:21** Many plans are in a man's heart,  
But the counsel of the Lord will stand.

**Proverbs 21:1** The king's heart is like channels of water in the hand of the Lord;  
He turns it wherever He wishes.

**Ezekiel 36:26-27** "Moreover, I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. "I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will be careful to observe My ordinances."

**Jeremiah 31:33** "But this is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel after those days," declares the Lord, "I will put My law within them and on their heart I will write it; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people."

**Psalms 37:4** Delight yourself in the Lord;  
And He will give you the desires of your heart.

**Romans 12:2** And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

**Psalms 51:10** Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
And renew a steadfast spirit within me.

**Joshua 24:15** If it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served which were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

**Deuteronomy 30:19** I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. So choose life in order that you may live, you and your descendants,

**Galatians 5:16-17** But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.

**Romans 8:5-8** For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

**James 1:14-15** But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust. Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death

**Philippians 2:12–13** So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure.

**John 6:63** “It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing; the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.”

1. **GOD TRANSFORMS:** Ezekiel 36:26–27; Psalm 51:10; God performs the miracle of heart transformation; the believer participates through openness, honesty, trust, confession, and Spirit-led obedience.
2. **GOD HEALS:** Psalm 34:18; Isaiah 61:1; God heals the brokenhearted — the believer cooperates by bringing their brokenness into His presence.
3. **GOD RENEWS:** Romans 12:2; Ephesians 4:22–24; God renews the mind, but the believer cooperates by rejecting old patterns and practicing new ones until the emotional brain is rewired by truth.
4. **GOD STABILIZES:** Philippians 4:6–7; Isaiah 26:3; God stabilizes the emotional brain with His peace — the believer cooperates by praying, trusting, and fixing the mind on Him.
5. **GOD PURIFIES:** Proverbs 4:23; Psalm 139:23–24; Healing requires both guarding the heart from harm and opening the heart to God’s examination. Protection + vulnerability = transformation.
6. **GOD STRENGTHENS:** Nehemiah 8:10 ; Psalm 73:25–26; Joy in God strengthens the emotional brain, and re-centering on God restores the heart’s stability, identity, and resilience.
7. **GOD CLEANSSES:** Psalm 32:1–5; Acts 3:19; Confession releases the emotional pressure of hidden sin, and repentance opens the heart to God’s refreshing, cleansing, and joy.
8. **GOD EMPOWERS:** Joshua 1:9; Romans 15:13 God fills the believer with courage and hope — the believer cooperates by fixing the mind on God’s presence, receiving His peace, and stepping forward in faith.

### **The Transformed Will: God initiates.**

John 6:44; Philippians 2:13; Deuteronomy 30:6; Ezekiel 36:26; Hebrews 13:20–21; Proverbs 16:9; Proverbs 19:21; Proverbs 21:1

*Every genuine movement toward God began with God moving toward us.*

- The Father draws (John 6:44).
- God works in us to will and act (Phil. 2:13).
- God circumcises the heart (Deut. 30:6).
- God gives a new heart (Ezek. 36:26).
- God equips us (Heb. 13:20–21).
- God directs steps and turns hearts (Prov. 16:9; 19:21; 21:1).

*God is the first actor in every spiritual transformation.*

### **The Transformed Will: God reshapes.**

Ezekiel 36:26–27; Jeremiah 31:33; Psalm 51:10; Psalm 119:36; Romans 12:2; Psalm 37:4; Philippians 2:13; Hebrews 13:20–21

*God does not merely command obedience—He creates the kind of heart that can obey.*

- God gives a new heart and Spirit (Ezek. 36:26–27).
- God writes His law on the heart (Jer. 31:33).
- God creates a clean heart (Ps. 51:10).
- God inclines the heart toward His testimonies (Ps. 119:36).
- God renews the mind (Rom. 12:2).
- God reshapes the will (Phil. 2:13).

- God works in us what pleases Him (Heb. 13:21).

***Transformation is internal before it is external.***

**The Transformed Will: We respond.**

Joshua 24:15; Deuteronomy 30:19; James 4:8; Revelation 3:20; Romans 12:2; Psalm 37:4; Proverbs 16:9; Proverbs 19:21

***God's grace empowers choice, but it does not eliminate responsibility.***

- **Choose** whom you will serve (Josh. 24:15).
- **Choose** life (Deut. 30:19).
- **Draw** near to God (James 4:8).
- **Open** the door to Christ (Rev. 3:20).
- **Resist** conformity and **pursue** transformation (Rom. 12:2).
- **Delight** in the Lord (Ps. 37:4).
- Humans **plan** and **choose** (Prov. 16:9; 19:21).

***Grace does not cancel choice—it empowers it.***

**The Transformed Will: Conflicting desires.**

Galatians 5:16–17; Romans 8:5–8; James 1:14–15; Romans 7:22–23

***Big Idea The presence of struggle is not proof of failure—it is proof of life.***

- Flesh and Spirit oppose each other (Gal. 5:17).
- Mindset determines direction (Rom. 8:5–8).
- Desire can drag and entice (James 1:14–15).
- The inner person delights in God, but another law wages war (Rom. 7:22–23).

***Believers experience tension because the Spirit is active.***

**The Transformed Will: Integrated Center**

Philippians 2:12–13

***Philippians 2:12-13 unites all four categories: God initiates, reshapes, empowers, and we respond.***

- God works **in you** — initiation.
- God works **to will** — reshaping desire.
- God works **to act** — empowering obedience.
- We “work out” what God works in — response.

***This is the engine of sanctification.***

- God initiates.
- God reshapes.
- We respond.
- Conflict persists.
- And God continues His work until the day of Christ Jesus.
- The question for me: **Where is God inviting me to cooperate with His transforming work today?**

**You are not alone. God is with you! MDC wants to help. We are here for you.**

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