

GATHERING TOGETHER

Welcome to Worship. We are so glad that you are joining us today. We invite you to open your spirit to this time of worship, song, prayer, inspiration and challenge.

In consideration of others, please silence electronic devices.

"+" indicates to stand in body or spirit as you choose.

STATEMENT OF INCLUSION



All people are welcome at First United Methodist Church. We are proudly part of the Reconciling Ministries Network and welcome all persons, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, and education, socio-economic or marital status.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME HERE!

Nursery care is available every Sunday

Children age 3 yrs. through 6th grade are invited to one room Sunday School (rm

Children's Ministry Superintendent in the

104) after the Children's Sermon in Worship. Pickup time is 11:00 a.m.

Questions? Early Pick Up? See the

Nursery Care

(Infant-4 years old)

from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

'Ohana Sunday School (PreK-6th Grade)

PRELUDE

Priere a Notre Dame

Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

We are called to love the Lord our God.

We are called to love with all our heart and soul.

We are called to love the Lord our God.

We are called to love with all our mind and strength

We are called to love the Lord our God.

And we are called to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Come, let us love our God and share God's love in this time of worship!

+ OPENING HYMN

We Are Called

TFWS 2172

+ WELCOME AND SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you, and also with you.

COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing

UMH 333

Children are invited to come forward or remain seated.

As the children gather, we sing together.

I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing, I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing, I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing, and obey the Spirit of the Lord.

INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Children's Ministry Office.

We, acknowledge that the land upon which we worship was the ancestral homeland of the Tongva People for thousands of years. Approximately two thousand Tongva people still live in the Los Angeles area. We honor their connection to this region and give thanks for the opportunity to live, work, worship and learn on this sacred land.

"JUST LIKE ME" VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PRESENTATION

GATHERING OUR HEARTS IN PRAYER

CENTERING SONG

What Does the Lord Require of You

TFWS 2174 Unison 1, 2, 3

What does the Lord require of you? What does the Lord require of you?

Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.

To seek justice, and love kindness, and walk humbly with your God.

Moment for Silent Meditation

IN OUR PRAYERS...

As a community of faith, let us hold these persons in our prayers:

Newly Added: Family of Ann Dougherty, Family of Larry Jaffe

For Healing: Ruby Alcantara, Ronan Bessler, Joyce Breslin, Carol Browne, Fernando Carrillo, Willa Dalrymple, Albert Davis, Mary Davis, John Evans, Cameron Fernandez, Cosette Fester, Linda Gerkin, Nathan Hahn, Brett Hain, Sofia Hain, Cindy Heckman, Lisa Jaffe, Norman Jensen, Stephen Kastner, Lori Ketterling, Julie-Ann Kosakowski, Rachel Lang, Meredith Lyon, Allison Masguez, Michael McRae, Cecilia Militante, Lois Moe, Randy Moe, Carol Nunemaker, Katherine Olivas, Leslie Parham, Tommy Parham, Jonathan Poutney, Sarah Rudchenko, Irv Seidman and family, Kathleen Sesplaukis, Priscilla Shurney, Frances Smith, Jeffrey Stephens, Tim Sun, David T., Karen Thompson, Deb and Gary Webster, Jan Wentz, Nadine Wittry and family, Sonia Wittry, Ann Zeiss

Prayer requests may be shared via connect@fumcpasadena.org and we will gladly add them.



LET'S CONNECT!

Connect cards are located at the back of the chapel. Please use a Connect Card to provide or update your contact information, for information on church programs, make a prayer request or communicate a message to our pastors. Place completed cards in the offering box near the back of the chapel. If you are part of the Connected (Online) Campus, send an email to connect@fumcpasadena.org.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

GOSPEL READING Luke 10:25-37

An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

The word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM It Takes a Whole Village Jim Strathdee

Ohana:

SERMON The Economics of Living in Community Pastor Amy Aitken

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD AMONG US

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

+PRESENTATION MUSIC Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 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 up-lifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord of heaven and earth, we give you thanks for beautiful bounty of creation that makes all of life not only possible, but radiant with your glory. We give you thanks for the love that holds our hearts together, for this community of belonging and hope, and for the ministries we share. Guide your church, Loving God, that we might be a sign of your love, hope, peace and presence in the world. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

GOING INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

+CLOSING HYMN Jesu, Jesu UMH 432

BLESSING OF THE PRAYER OUILT

Today we tie prayers into a quilt for Judy Townsend in remembrance of her husband, Trygve Gangnaes Jr.

+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE Psalm 19 Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

OFFERING TO GOD OUR HEARTS, OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS

Giving supports all of the ministries of the church, making it possible for us to offer ministries of hope, hospitality, service and compassion in Pasadena, and around the world.

If you'd like to partner with us and make a financial gift today, you may use your phone to scan the QR code below.



REVISED SOCIAL PRINCIPLES

Capturing the Wesleyan spirit of social holiness and ethical action, over 4,000 United Methodists from around the world participated in an eight-year process to review and update the United Methodist Social Principles. Completed in 2020, this new draft document reflects the United Methodist response to today's most pressing social issues and was adopted at The General Conference 2024.



ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's Altar Flowers were provided by Liz Ranger to the Glory of God to celebrate Liz Ranger and Erlinda Mangahas's birthday.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES @ FIRST UMC

For more information, email us at connect@fumcpasadena.org

TODAY

Turn-A-Page Book Group on July 21, 11:30 a.m. in the Church Lounge - We will discuss In The Distance by Hernan Diaz. Even if you haven't read the book, please feel free to join the discussion.

COMING UP

Disability Pride Book Discussion on July 28, 11:30 a.m. in the Church Library - July is Disability Pride Month. Join us for a discussion of the book My Body is Not a Prayer Request by Amy Kenny. Please purchase at your favorite bookseller. We will talk about the book and resources on disability justice from the UMC will be available. Please email Ashley (ashleys@fumcpasadena.org) for more information.

Movie Night - Sunday, July 28, 5:00 p.m.. in the Church Lounge - This month's movie night pic is "One Life" starring Anthony Hopkins. How might we use the "powers" that we are given, particularly in the face of seemingly overwhelming evil? Supper will be offered at 5:00 p.m. with the movie beginning at 5:30 p.m. All are invited.

ACAC Back to School Drive Due July 28 - First UMC has long sponsored the Adopt a Child Abuse Caseworker (ACAC) Back to School Program by providing backpacks and school supplies.

Please deliver backpacks, school supplies and any monetary donations to the church by Sunday, July 28. See the supply list in the News@First email. There will be a collection container in front of Fellowship Hall. For any questions contact Diane Harris (dmharris150625@gmail.com).

Summer Musical: Save the Dates

- Performances of the musical "Honk!" will be July 31, August 1, August 2, and August 3 at 7:00 p.m. Dinner will be served before performances at 5:30 p.m. and end at 6:30 p.m. sharp (\$25 for adults and \$12 for kids 12 and under). Please fill out this form to get a ticket and visit the donate page on our website to purchase dinner.



Family Promise, August 11 - 17 - We are very excited that FUMC will once again be hosting families who have been admitted into the Family Promise of San Gabriel Valley (FPSGV) program! The Family Promise mission is to help families challenged with homelessness to attain sustainable independence. As part of the shelter network, our church will provide shelter, meals and hospitality to our guests the week of August 11th – 17th.

Volunteers are needed to be dinner hosts, evening hosts, and overnight hosts that week. You can sign up at the QR code below.



TODAY AT FIRST UMC

- 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall)
- 11:30 a.m. Turn-a-Page Book Group (Church Lounge)

SERVING IN MINISTRY

The entire congregation shares in offering the ministries of this church. Some of the people who help lead our ministries include:

Pastor

Rev. Dr. Amy Aitken

Associate Pastor: Rev. Mina Nau-Mahe

Liturgist:

Becca Suh Hee Han

Director of Music Ministries: Scott Lehmkuhl

Organist:

Aaron Shows

Ministry Coordinator: Dori Fotsch

Facilities & Office Manager: Aisha Williams

Interim Business Manager: Jami Carrera

Communications Director: Ashley Slade

Leadership Council Chairperson: Kevin Lussier

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Lay Leaders for Missions: Pam Marx & Rosalie Niemann

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