

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
WORSHIP

10th Sunday in Kingdomtide • July 24, 2016



“Lord, teach us to pray...”  
— Luke 11:1a

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WE GATHER

WELCOME

Rev. Robert English

PRELUDE *Adagio from Sonata No. 1 (Felix Mendelssohn)*

Ty Woodward, Organist

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#100 United Methodist Hymnal — God, Whose Love Is Reigning o'er Us

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Kaitlyn Plukas, Lay Lector

Our hearts are ready, O Lord, our hearts are ready!

**We will sing and make melody. We will awaken the dawn.**

We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples, we will sing praises to you  
among the nations.

**For your steadfast love endures forever and your faithfulness to all generations.**

\*CHORAL ACT OF PRAISE

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*Please greet those worshipping near you.*

As a courtesy to others, please silence all cell phones/sound-making devices. \*Asterisks indicate standing if you are able.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Dot Pastoriza-Plukas

#2233 The Faith We Sing – Where Children Belong

**This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.  
Water, God's word, bread and cup, prayer and song: This is where children belong.**

*As the congregation sings, all children are invited to come forward.*

I Am a Child of God

**I am a child of God; You are God's child, it's true. Children of God are called to love one another, as Jesus taught to do.**

*As the congregation sings, the children may go to their Sunday School classes.*

## OUR MISSION & COMMON LIFE

Rev. Patricia Farris

We thank God for these opportunities for fellowship, for worship, and for service.

**Thanks be to God!**

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## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

THE PSALM Psalm 85 with sung response (UMH p. 806)

Kaitlyn Plukas

THE GOSPEL Luke 11:1-13 (Pew Bible page 72, N.T.)

The Gospel of Christ. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Our Daily Bread"

Rev. Farris

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## WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO PRAYER #2029 TFWS – Praise to the Lord

LISTENING FOR THE VOICE OF GOD

Rev. English

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL 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.**

## CHORAL RESPONSE

## WE OFFER OUR GIFTS & OURSELVES

*Your generous gifts support the ministries and outreach of the church. You may place gifts of cash or checks made out to "First UMC" in the offering plates as they are passed. You may also place your Let's Connect/Let Us Pray card in the offering plate. Give online at any time at [www.santamonicaumc.org](http://www.santamonicaumc.org) or by using the QR code in the insert. Credit cards are now accepted at the Sunday Hospitality Table during Coffee Fellowship. Thank you. May God grow in us generous and joyful hearts.*

## THE OFFERTORY

The Chancel Choir/Dr. James Smith, Music Director

Saints Bound for Heaven (setting by Howard Helvey)

From Egypt's yoke set free; Hail the glorious jubilee. And to Canaan we'll return, by and by. Our bondage it shall end, by and by. From Egypt's yoke set free; Hail the glorious jubilee. And to Canaan we'll return, by and by. Our Deliverer will come, by and by. And our sorrows have an end, With our threescore years and ten, And his glory crown the day, by and by. Though our enemies are strong, we'll go on. Though our hearts dissolve with fear, Lo! Sinai's God is near, While the fiery pillar moves, we'll go on. And when to Jordan's flood, we are come. Jehovah rules the tide, And the waters He'll divide, And the ransom'd host shall shout, "We are come." By and by, We'll go on!

\*RESPONSE #94 UMH – The Doxology

\*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. English

**Bountiful God, multiply these gifts and increase their usefulness. Magnify your purposes in their distribution, to the end that your kingdom may come and your will may be done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.**

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## WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

\*HYMN #140 UMH – Great Is Thy Faithfulness

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE March of the Priests (Felix Mendelssohn)

Ty Woodward

*Worship concludes with the Postlude music which prepares us to transition from worship to life in the world. You are invited to remain seated until the Postlude concludes, or to exit quietly.*

- The Head Usher today is Al Mead. See an usher if you need assistance.
- Tricia Lindley and the Youth Service Project team are returning from their trip to Smith River later today.
- During the summer months the Chancel Choir is singing some of their favorite anthems from the prior year. We hope they are your favorites also.
- Nursery Care is available at 9 a.m. in Room 204 in the Education Building. Parents with young children are welcome to worship in the sanctuary or in the Kids Zone in the narthex.
- First UMC takes the care and safety of children seriously. We are a Safe Sanctuary congregation.
- A changing table is provided in the restroom located in the hallway west of the Fireside Room. Please see an usher for directions.
- To request prayers, you may fill in a Let's Connect/Let Us Pray card found in the pews, and drop it in the offering plate during worship.
- If there are Prayer Quilts on the north wall of the sanctuary, you are invited to pray over and tie knots on the quilts.
- Stop by the Hospitality Table in Simkins Hall in The Shelby Center during Coffee Fellowship today to ask about membership.
- Visit the Fireside Room after worship to view the paintings of Esther Roebuck, First UMC member John Roebuck's mother, on display through July 29.
- Giving to the church through your will or trust is the most common way to continue your support beyond your lifetime. When your estate plan is prepared, consider a gift. Join the First UMC Legacy Circle: [info@santamonicaumc.org](mailto:info@santamonicaumc.org).
- Next Sunday: Worship at 10 a.m.; Rev. Patricia Farris will preach.
- Each time we worship, we collect food for the Westside Food Bank. In July bring pasta.

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God is real. God is love. ■ Every person matters. You matter. ■ Together we can change the world.

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July 24, 2016

by Claudia Flanders (*this article first appeared 7/19/2015*)

“Although our church has many wonderful programs and missions, Vacation Bible School is the one that touches me the most. In fact, if it hadn’t been for Vacation Bible School, I might not be a part of this community today. I

came from an unchurched family. My over-worked and harried mom looked for inexpensive things for a very active little girl to do during summer vacation. She sent me to Vacation Bible School, and there the seeds for my spiritual journey were planted. Although many of the young people who attend our VBS are from church families, for some of them Vacation Bible School is that time during the year where they learn about the Bible and the life of Jesus. In our secular world, they are surrounded and embraced by fellow Christians.

VBS is not the work of only a few involved directly with Children’s Ministry, but that of a small army of people from youth to adults that begin to gather in January to do a multitude of tasks that makes this amazing event possible. Months before, props and backdrops are created and shared with one of our partners, the Palisades Community Methodist Church. Volunteers decorate Simkins Hall so the children are truly wowed as they begin their day. There are those who organize and greet the children every morning, purchase and prepare snacks, teach music, guide science investigations, create crafts, teach Bible stories, enact the Bible verses dressed as characters from the Bible stories, teach games, explain our Mission project and guide the youngsters from activity to activity. There are those who bring decorations, run the sound system, donate goods and money, are part of set-up and take down crews, and very importantly those who have committed to praying for a successful and meaningful experience for all. Along the way each and everyone of them is planting seeds and supporting children in their faith journey.

VBS is a Mission that touches a great many of us. We look forward to a very exciting week!”

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This year’s theme is *Surf Shack: Catch the Wave of God’s Amazing Love*. The program holds up to 60 kids and there are still a few slots available. Contact Tricia Lindley: [t.lindley@santamonicaumc.org](mailto:t.lindley@santamonicaumc.org), or Sarah Rold: [s.rolld@santamonicaumc.org](mailto:s.rolld@santamonicaumc.org) to sign up.

**Vacation Bible School: Monday August 1 - Friday August 5, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., Simkins Hall**

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\*Westside Food Bank collection for July: **Pasta**

\* **Summer Sundays at First UMC**

- 9 a.m. Lectionary Scripture Discussion, FR
- 9 a.m. Partnership with God, Rm 101
- 9 a.m. Nursery Care, 204
- 9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Warmup, CHR
- 10 a.m. Worship Service, S
- 10:10 a.m. Sunday School, Education Bldg.
- 11 a.m. Fellowship, Courtyard

**Today - Youth Service Project team returns**

10 a.m. Worship, S

**Tuesday, July 26**

7 p.m. Joint Foundation/Trustee Investment Committee Meeting, CR-A

**Wednesday, July 27**

9 a.m. UMW Workparty/Lunch, WR

**Thursday, July 28**

5 p.m. Family Place Community Meal, OS

**Sunday, July 31 - Faith in Action Sunday**

11 a.m. Vacation Bible School Training, Room 300

11 a.m. Haylie Wollitz/Unatti Goods Sale, FR

**ENDING NEXT SUNDAY**

**Supplies Needed:  
Backpacks for Upward Bound House**

This is the last week to donate backpacks and school supplies for Family Place at Upward Bound House. A drop-off bin is located in the Narthex.

**Goal: 50 Supplied Backpacks!**

- Items you may bring include: Backpacks • Glue sticks • Scissors • Ballpoint pens • No. 2 pencils • Colored pencils • Pencil sharpener • Large pink eraser • Water-based markers • Four-ounce bottle of white glue • Highlighters • Three-ring binder • Loose-leaf notebook paper • Pocket folders (two pockets) • Rulers • Crayons • Index Cards • 2 oz. Antibacterial Hand Soap



Scan this QR code with your smart phone to go directly to First UMC's online giving page.

**Highlights**

**Family Place Community Meal**

simple church hosts a monthly potluck for Family Place, a program of Upward Bound House, providing transitional housing for families with minor children, in crisis. The potluck feeds about 30-40 adults & children, served buffet style and all eat as one big family! Invite your friends to this wonderful community gathering. Contact Todd Erlandson to participate: todd@marchstudio.com. Thursday July 28, 5 - 7 p.m., Family Place (1020 12th St., SM)

**Art in the Fireside Room**

This week is the last chance to view Esther Roebuck's paintings in the Fireside Room. Esther is First UMC member John Roebuck's mother, and we have been thrilled to display her work.

First UMC youth member Haylie Wollitz will show her recent photographs from Nepal for the third year in a row, beginning next Sunday July 31 after worship. A boutique sale with items made by and benefiting the Unatti handicraft women in Nepal will be held next Sunday only.

**Habitat for Humanity Fundraiser**

First UMC has raised over \$6,700 towards the Habitat for Humanity Fundraiser. Our goal is to match the gifts from the Erma Darling and the Hewitt and Hood Mission Funds held by The Methodist Foundation totaling \$8,000. Only \$1,300 more to go! Visit: [santamonicaumc.org/habitat](http://santamonicaumc.org/habitat) for more information and to donate.

**All Community Theater presents...**

Save the date for A.C.T.'s production of *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, a hilarious musical about six quirky kids competing in the Bee (performed by college-age young adults including C.A.S.T. alums,) run by three equally quirky grown-ups. Appropriate for middle school kids and up. Performance Dates: Friday August 12, 7 p.m., Saturday August 13, 7 p.m., Sunday August 14, 1 p.m. Simkins Hall. Tickets (\$10 each): [www.santamonicaumc.org/act](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/act), or at the Sunday Hospitality Table.