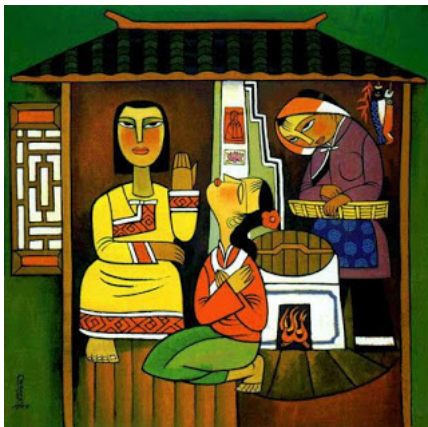


# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# WORSHIP

9th Sunday in Kingdomtide • July 17, 2016



But the Lord answered her, “Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.”

— Luke 10:41-42

## WE GATHER

WELCOME

Rev. Keri Olsen

PRELUDE *Allegretto from Sonata No. 4 in B-flat* (Felix Mendelssohn) Ty Woodward, Organist

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #451 United Methodist Hymnal — *Be Thou My Vision*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Ruth Peebles, Lay Lector

God is good all the time!

**All the time, God is good!**

God's love is steadfast and eternal.

**We give thanks and praise for all that God has done for us.**

God is good, praise the Lord!

**God is so good, praise the Lord!**

\*CHORAL ACT OF PRAISE

"For the Lord is good, His mercy is everlasting, and His truth endureth to all generations. Amen!"

\*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

Rev. Olsen

#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. Robert English

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 GOSPEL Luke 10:38-42 (Pew Bible page 72, N.T.)

Ruth Peebles

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

SERMON "On the Fallacy of Keeping Score When Dealing With God's Grace"

Rev. English

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## WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO PRAYER #2128 TFWS – Come and Find the Quiet Center

LISTENING FOR THE VOICE OF GOD

Rev. Farris

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. Thank you. May God grow in us generous and joyful hearts.*

### THE OFFERTORY

The Chancel Choir/Dr. James Smith, Music Director

Blow Ye the Trumpet (Kirke Mechem)

*Excerpt from Choral Suite "Songs of The Slave" Commissioned By First UMC and Premiered in 1994*

Blow ye the trumpet, sweet is Thy work, my God, my King. I'll praise my Maker with all my breath.

O happy the man who hears. Why should we start and fear to die? With songs and honors sounding loud. Blow ye the trumpet, lovely appearance of death

\*RESPONSE #94 UMH – The Doxology

\*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Farris

**God of grace and truth, we seek to lead a life worthy of your calling in Christ Jesus.**

**Enlarge our hearts to the dimensions of your mercy, and help us to return to you a measure of the love you give to us. May the self-giving love of Christ be our example and our goal. Amen.**

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## WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

\*HYMN #2175 TFSW – Together We Serve

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Fanfare (Jacques Lemmens)

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 away on their trip to Smith River.

—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.

—Flowers at the Reredos: In loving memory of our father Henry Fonda, from Carl and Carol Greenwood.

—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 17, 2016

The First UMC Prayer Quilt Ministry is part of Prayers & Squares, an interfaith outreach ministry that combines the gift of prayer with the gift of a hand-tied quilt. Volunteers may work from home and then meet monthly in Room 300 to work on the quilts together. First UMC members Maile Marquand and Sue Payne head the Ministry. About the quilts:

- The quilt is not just a gift of a quilt; it is a gift of love and prayer. It is an affirmation of our faith in God and our belief in God's power to comfort, strengthen and heal.
- A heavy thread is used to take stitches through the quilt layers with the ends left free to be tied. Members of the congregation say a prayer for the recipient as they tie these knots at Sunday Sanctuary worship service.
- Prayer quilts are for anyone of any age who is in special need of prayer, primarily due to serious illness, injury, sorrow, or challenging life circumstances.
- Anyone in the congregation or associated with First UMC can request or sponsor a prayer quilt.



The impact of a quilt can be far-reaching. First UMC member Dane Rold's father was battling cancer, and a prayer quilt was requested and sent to him in Montana: *"Receiving the prayer quilt from your congregation while fighting cancer and enduring the treatments was comforting, encouraging and very much a tangible demonstration of Christ's love. Not knowing most of the people who took the time to make the commitment to pray for me was almost overwhelming. Overwhelming in a very good, loving and healing way. I am now cured, but I still take great comfort and encouragement from the quilt every day."* - Marc Rold



How to sponsor a quilt:

1. Get permission & prayer: Confirm that the person would like to receive the quilt and prayers. Then, consider the prayer with them. This will be shared with the congregation.
2. Contact the ministry: Maile Marquand or Sue Payne (see below) to go over details.
3. Come to church: Be present at the service when the quilt will be hung and available for the congregation to pray over. After, a member of the

Prayer Quilt Ministry will take down the quilt to give to you or the recipient (if they are able to attend).

**Contact Maile Marquand ([maile@rugbooks.com](mailto:maile@rugbooks.com)), or Sue Payne, ([sue.f.payne@gmail.com](mailto:sue.f.payne@gmail.com)), to sponsor a quilt. For more information, visit: [santamonicaumc.org/prayerquiltministry](http://santamonicaumc.org/prayerquiltministry).**

\*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**

11 a.m. Free Blood Pressure Screenings, SH

**Tuesday, July 19**

7 a.m. Men's Breakfast, FR

**Wednesday, July 20**

9 a.m. UMW Workparty/Lunch, WR

**Saturday, July 23**

10 a.m. Sacred Yoga, FR

**Sunday, July 24 - Youth Service Project team returns**

10 a.m. Worship, S

**Supplies Needed:**

**Backpacks for Upward Bound House**

For all of July, First UMC will be taking donations of 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**

**Sacred Yoga**

Santa Monica yoga instructor Temitope leads Sacred Yoga, a monthly spiritual yoga class open to all. Whether you are new to yoga and meditation or practice regularly, this class is the perfect way to find stillness in your mind and body as well as center and strengthen your spirit. Saturday July 23, 10 a.m., Fireside Room.

**Haylie Wollitz in the Fireside Room**

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

**Vacation Bible School**

VBS is coming soon! This year's theme is *Surf Shack: Catch the Wave of God's Amazing Love*. There's still time to sign up now and reserve a spot. Contact Tricia Lindley at: [t.lindley@santamonicaumc.org](mailto:t.lindley@santamonicaumc.org) for more info. Adult volunteers are welcome. VBS: August 1 - 5, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Kids ages 5-11. \*VBS is in need of 24 empty 8 oz water bottles, 4 empty 2 liter bottles, and shoeboxes. Contact Tricia to donate.

**Habitat for Humanity Fundraiser**

First UMC has raised over \$6,500 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 \$1,500 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).