

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP

Mother's Day • Children's Church • May 12, 2019



I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
my whole life long.
— Psalm 23:6b

WE GATHER

WELCOME

Nathan Oney

PRELUDE Sheep May Safely Graze (J. S. Bach)

Ty Woodward, Organ

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #111 United Methodist Hymnal — How Can We Name a Love

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Ron Theile, Lay Lector

O come, let us worship the Good Shepherd, for we are the sheep of his fold.

He gives us food from green pastures, water from pure fountains.

He plants our feet on safe paths and leads us through dark valleys.

He protects us with his rod and supports us with his staff.

He grants us safe keeping and refuge with the righteous.

O come, let us worship the Good Shepherd, for we are the sheep of his fold.

*CHORAL ACT OF PRAISE

"Jesus, priceless treasure, source of purest pleasure, truest friend to me. Thine I am, O spotless lamb, still in thee lies purest pleasure, Jesus priceless treasure!"

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Tricia Guerrero

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

Tricia Guerrero

#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 Children's Church in the Chapel.

OUR MISSION & COMMON LIFE

Nathan Oney

Moments for Mission - Haiti Work Team Update

Todd Erlandson

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

Thanks be to God!

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

THE PSALM Psalm 23 (Pew Bible page 501, O.T.)

Ron Theile

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "A Fierce Love"

Rev. Patricia Farris

WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO PRAYER The Lord's My Shepherd (*see insert*)

LISTENING FOR THE VOICE OF GOD

Tricia Guerrero

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

Nathan Oney

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. 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

Beautiful Savior (F. Melius Christiansen)

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in flowers of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorrowing spirit sing. Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine.

*RESPONSE #94 UMH – The Doxology

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Nathan Oney

Good Shepherd, you spread a table before us. We offer you our gifts, signs of your gracious love and tokens of our grateful hearts. Nourish us at the feast of the Lamb, that we may proclaim to all the world your triumphant love in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*HYMN #138 UMH – The King of Love My Shepherd Is

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Farris

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Hornpipe (G. F. Handel)

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.*

—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.

—A changing table is provided in the restroom located in the hallway west of the Fireside Room.

— First UMC takes the safety of the children and youth very seriously. We follow Safe Sanctuaries® practices, which is our commitment to the physical safety and spiritual growth of all of our children, youth, and adults.

—Please see an usher if you need information or assistance.

—In honor of Mother's Day, we offer carnations to express our gratitude to all mothers – red for those still among us and white in memory of those who now dwell with the Lord. The ushers will hand them out after worship.

—Flowers: "To God be the glory for launching our marriage of 'three,' with Jesus in the middle, at First United Methodist Church of Santa Monica on May 12, 1989. We dedicate today's flowers to Reverend Shelby who taught us to celebrate the journey of marriage in all seasons and the importance of respect for each other in our marriage classes. With that sage advice, we have raised two beautiful children, Robert (27) and Elizabeth Anne (22), lived in Asia and Europe as a Navy family, and now reside in San Diego; it has been a journey beyond our wildest imagination! We are grateful for this opportunity to join you today as part of our 'memory lane' 30th anniversary celebration! Blessings over all who have begun their marriage journey in this holy and special place." From William & Kathrine Kimball.

—To request prayers, fill in a Let's Connect/Let Us Pray card and place 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 for information or to ask whatever might be on your mind! We're here to serve you.

—Next Sunday: Choir Recognition Sunday; Rev. Patricia Farris will preach.

—We collect food weekly for the Westside Food Bank. In May, please bring canned stews and other meats. You may leave items in the bin located outside the Sanctuary.

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of SANTA MONICA

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May 12, 2019

First UMC is pleased to present **Misa Tango** by Luis Bacalov, featuring Mariano Dugatkin, *bandoneon*, and **Requiem** by John Rutter. Featuring a 60-voice choir, with Barbara Smith, Vera Lugo, William Martinez, Ryan Brown, soloists, and the Los Angeles Concert Orchestra. Dr. James E. Smith will conduct.

The bandoneon is a type of concertina particularly popular in Argentina and Uruguay. It is an essential instrument in most tango ensembles from 1910 onwards. Mariano Dugatkin, from Buenos Aires, Argentina, enjoys

international recognition as an award winning composer, bandoneonist, and pianist. His work has been performed at the most prestigious concert halls in Argentina and abroad. He has written music scores for films, commercials, theatre plays and dance shows. As a bandoneonist, Mr. Dugatkin has played with several Tango Orchestras in Argentina such as Esquina Homero Manzi, Piazzolla Tango Show, Che Tango, Tango Porteño, and Señor Tango. Currently he performs for TINTOTANGO in Los Angeles, California. During the week, Mariano Dugatkin is known as "Mr. D" while he enjoys teaching orchestra for the Los Angeles Unified School District Arts Branch at multiple schools.

Suggested Donation at the door: \$20; seniors and children under 12, \$10. For information call 310-393-8258.

Reception to follow performance in Simkins Hall. For more information: www.santamonicaumc.org/music-events.

For those who can't attend Sunday night, you may observe the Concert rehearsal Saturday morning (May 18) at 9 a.m. at no charge. Out of courtesy to the musicians please no cell phones; families with babies/small children may listen from the Narthex.

SPRING CONCERT: Sunday, May 19, 7:30 p.m. in the First UMC Sanctuary

Reception to follow in Simkins Hall

Luis Bacalov
Misa Tango

featuring
Mariano Dugatkin
Bandoneon

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WORSHIP & PRAYER

Sunday 10 a.m. **Sanctuary Worship**
 Sunday 5 p.m. **simple church**
simple church tonight: reflections by Nathan Oney

MEETINGS / EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today - *Mother's Day • Methodist Foundation Scholarship applications due*

6 p.m. simple supper, FR

Wednesday, May 15

9 a.m. UMW Workparty/Lunch, Workroom

Saturday, May 18

9 a.m. Spring Concert Rehearsal, S

9:30 a.m. Prayer Quilt Workparty, Room 300

Sunday, May 19 - *Choir Recognition Sunday*

11 a.m. Free Blood Pressure Screenings, SH

3 p.m. Walk the Labyrinth, SH

7:30 p.m. Spring Concert/Reception, S/SH

CHILDREN & YOUTH**Children's Ministry**

Today: Children's Church in the Chapel
Children's Church is a space for children to learn about God and God's loving activity in the world through music, fun, and laughter with the leaderships of Janet Searfoss and Jamie Jones. The children practice in preparation for special Sundays such as Children's Sabbath, Christmas Eve, Palm Sunday and other events.

United Methodist Youth Fellowship

No UMYF meeting tonight.

Next Sunday: UMYF End-of-Year Banquet

The youth ministry at First UMC is a safe, Christ centered environment where youth explore and grow in their faith. Activities are designed to nurture relationships and build a strong, loving community. This is a place of acceptance, outreach and spirituality.

FELLOWSHIP /COMMUNITY**Methodist Foundation Scholarships - Due Today**

Attention students! Today is the last day to apply for Methodist Foundation Scholarships. Go to: www.santamonicaumc.org/methodistfoundation. Remember to also email your one-page essay to Sarah Rold: s.rolld@santamonicaumc.org.

simple supper

simple supper is a simple church monthly potluck. Sharing a meal has always been a holy act of hospitality and of fellowship, and there is no reason to make it complicated; bring a dish to share, eat, and enjoy. There is no need to RSVP, all are welcome, and we will celebrate with those who are present.

Tonight, 6 p.m. in the Fireside Room (after simple church)

Choir Recognition Sunday

Don't miss First UMC's annual Choir Recognition Sunday, when The Chancel Choir, The Children's Church Choir, and The Amadeus Handbell Choir will be recognized and featured during the service. Come and show your appreciation for the wonderful music these groups present during worship services throughout the year.

Next Sunday, May 19, during 10 a.m. worship service

Walk the Labyrinth

The Labyrinth laid in the Simkins Hall floor of First UMC Santa Monica is a replica of the Chartres Labyrinth laid in the cathedral around 1220 CE. Walking the Labyrinth is an ancient spiritual practice, a way to quiet our minds and open our spirits to the presence of the Holy. Every step a prayer.

Sunday, May 19, 3 - 5 p.m. (last walk starts at 4:30 p.m., Simkins Hall)

After worship, all are invited to stay for Coffee Fellowship in Simkins Hall.

If you are a new visitor today, feel free to ask any questions you may have at the Hospitality Table in the Simkins Hall Alcove.

FELLOWSHIP /COMMUNITY (CONTINUED)

Family Place Community Meal

Community Meal is a committed partnership between First UMC and Upward Bound House's Family Place—our local transitional housing program for families with young children. Through the ministry of feeding and the ministry of showing up, First UMC volunteers engage in activities that create lasting impact and joy. If you would like to be a part of this meaningful mission, please contact the church office (310) 393-8258, or email meal@santamonicaumc.org.

**Thursday, May 23, 5:30 p.m. Family Place
(1020 12th St. SM)**

DanceFit!

Join us twice a month for DanceFit, a class inspired by... you guessed it - fitness focused dance! DanceFit is a follow-along fitness class set to upbeat, contemporary pop music, led by First UMC member Whitney Hagan. It's designed for all levels, with variations to modify based on your fitness/comfort level. Water will be available. No charge but donations appreciated. Kids are welcome. Tell your friends!

Saturday, May 25, 10 a.m. in Room 300

General Conference Update with Rev. Farris and Our Lay Leadership Team

Join Rev. Farris for a second review of recent General Conference news, reporting with updates from the West District Conference.

Sunday, May 26, 11:15 a.m. in the Fireside Room

Save the Date - Summerfest!

Join First UMC and the Fellowship & Events Ministry in welcoming the Summer season. Fun for the whole family, including BBQ, cake walk, bounce house and more!

Sunday June 2, immediately after 10 a.m. worship service



Vacation Bible School - Sign Up Now!

First UMC Santa Monica invites children of all ages on a space travel adventure to explore where God's power can take them! This adventure includes exciting music, amazing science, creative crafts, fun recreation, a mission project and memorable Bible stories to help children know God is with them to Mars and beyond!

What: VBS to Mars and Beyond!

Who: Ages 5/TK to 5th Grade

When: Monday - Friday, August 5 - 9

VBS: 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Child Care: 12:30 - 4:40 p.m. for an additional cost
VBS Cost: \$30/child (\$80 max. per family)

To register, go to: www.santamonicaumc.org/vbs



Calling All Graduates

First UMC wants to recognize all its graduates. Let us know where you're graduating from, your major, and what your future plans are. Contact Sarah Rold in the church office: (310-393-8258 x 106 or s.rol@santamonicaumc.org)

Deadline Wednesday, May 15

Stay Informed

Keep up-to-date with General Conference news and church events by email. If you don't already receive the church Friday email or monthly Sentinel email, leave your email address on the attendance pad in the pew or go to the Sunday Hospitality table during Coffee Hour. All information is strictly confidential and is for

First UMC communication purposes only.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Westside Food Bank

Food is collected every Sunday to benefit the Westside Food Bank. Food bins can be found outside the Sanctuary and in the Preschool. For the month of May we are collecting canned stews and other meats.

UMCOR - Cyclone Responses

United Methodists are responding to those affected by Cyclone Idai and Kenneth, which left devastation in parts of Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi. The United Methodist Committee on Relief has allocated three \$10,000 grants to meet immediate basic human needs. To read more and to donate, go to: www.umnews.org.

For more information on these events, or to learn about our ministries and missions, go to www.santamonicaumc.org.

OPEN INVITATIONS

Prayer Quilt Ministry

The Prayer Quilt Ministry is an outreach ministry that combines the gift of prayer with the gift of a hand-tied quilt. There are a number of ways to be involved: When a prayer quilt is hanging in the Sanctuary come tie a knot and say a prayer. Remember the recipients in your prayers in the following days. And join the ministry for work and fellowship on the third Saturday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to noon. You don't have to know how to sew to help.

Next meeting: Saturday, May 16, 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m., Room 300

Health Ministry Council

Through God's love, the Health Ministry Council works to promote wellness in individuals, the church, and the community. The council supports the mission of First UMC, plans and implements programs and activities that promote physical, mental and spiritual well-being and healing, and serves as an advocate for health and safety concerns. For more information about the Council, or to volunteer, call the church office (310) 393-8258.

LOOKING FORWARD

June Messy Church - Pets and Peace

At Messy Church, we grow in our relationship with God and with one another through crafts, activities, music, and stories of God's love. Then, together we enjoy a shared meal. Be ready to get messy!

The theme for June is "Pets and Peace." We'll celebrate the gift of animals in our world and especially those we call our pets. We'll learn how God wants us to care for our world by taking care of it. We invite you to bring a picture of your pet or your favorite animal to share in Celebration time!

Sign up to receive monthly Messy Church reminder emails and news: www.santamonicaumc.org/messychurch.

Saturday, June 8, 4:30 - 6 p.m. Chapel/Simkins Hall

