

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

W O R S H I P

Scholarship Sunday • June 23, 2019



Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds...
— Romans 12:2a

WE GATHER

WELCOME

Nathan Oney

PRELUDE El Flautista Alegre - The Happy Flutist (Ramón Noble)

Ty Woodward, Organ

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #660 United Methodist Hymnal — God Is Here

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Shannon Sturges, Lay Lector

Surely you are in this place, O God, our maker and life-giver.

We praise you for the wonderful gift of life.

You, O God, are the source of the wisdom that makes life good.

We thank you for your gifts of truth and understanding.

You, O God, continue to give us guidance, comfort, and strength.

We would open ourselves to your gifts as we worship together.

*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

Nathan Oney

Please greet those worshipping near you.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Dot 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. Larry Young

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

Thanks be to God!

INTRODUCTION OF 2019 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Mira Pak, Chair, Loans & Scholarships Committee,
with Dan Stirling, Methodist Foundation

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

THE LESSON Philippians 4:8-9 (Pew Bible pages 198-199, N.T.)

Shannon Sturges

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

SERMON "Minds That Serve God, Ourselves, and Others"

Rev. Young

WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO PRAYER #2128 TFWS – Come and Find the Quiet Center (*verses 1-2*)

LISTENING FOR THE VOICE OF GOD

Nathan Oney

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

Rev. Young

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

○ Jesus, I Have Promised (Howard Helvey)

○ Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end; be Thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend: I shall not fear the battle if Thou art by my side, nor wander from the pathway if Thou wilt be my guide. ○ let me hear Thee speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion, the murmurs of selfwill; ○ speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; ○ speak, and make me listen, Thou Guardian of my soul. ○ Jesus, Thou hast promised to all who follow Thee, that where Thou art in glory there shall Thy servant be; and Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end; ○ give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend. Amen.

* RESPONSE #94 UMH – The Doxology

* UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Young

○ God, we give our thanks that, in offering our gifts, we are touched by your grace. In our sharing, make us whole. Bless all those who will be touched by these gifts; and accept our desire to stay open to all the ways your grace would touch and transform us as your people. Amen.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

* HYMN #2153 TFWS – I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

* BENEDICTION

Rev. Young

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Fugue in G Minor - the "Little" (J. S. Bach)

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 Methodist Foundation of Santa Monica

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS RECOGNITION

Sunday, June 23, 2019



Today this congregation celebrates a long-standing tradition at First United Methodist Church of Santa Monica by recognizing and encouraging individuals in their educational endeavors through scholarships, grants and awards. We do so remembering Jesus' admonition "to love God with all our mind," and the apostle Paul's exhortation "to set your mind on things that are above."

The 2019 Methodist Foundation Scholarships and Awards, and the recipients who are to be so honored this morning, are listed herein.

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The Dave Anderson Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by David Anderson. This scholarship is presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to a member of the church pursuing a higher education in the field of engineering or science.

Madeleine Ing

The Barbarita Baca Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by the family of Barbarita Baca, in her memory.

This scholarship is presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to a young person who is growing in the Christian faith and working hard to reach his or her educational goals.

William Buxton

The Max and Leota Fenton Family Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by the family of Max and Leota Fenton, in their memory. This scholarship is presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to an active youth member of the church who will attend college in the coming year.

Madelyn Bisson

The Norma Foster Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by Norma Foster, in her memory.

This scholarship is presented to high achieving students needing financial assistance.

Madelyn Bisson, Frances Erlandson, Carly Rapoport

The Lois T. Gehringer Memorial Scholarship

is provided through The Methodist Foundation. This scholarship is presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to active youth church members pursuing their educational goals.

William Buxton, Alyssa De Leon, Madeleine Ing, Jamie Jones, Jack Kelley

The Louise and Neil Hammond Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by Louise and Neil Hammond.

This scholarship, presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee, is to be presented annually to students in our church pursuing his or her higher education.

Frances Erlandson, Colin Heffner, Ella Ward

The Everett and Lucile Hedges Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by Ralph and Marilyn Hedges, Marie Rourke, Elizabeth Hedges and their families, in memory of their parents. This scholarship is presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to a member of the church pursuing a career in the field of education.

Alejandro Quintana

The Howard Hoegsted Scholarship

is presented annually to students pursuing nonreligious higher education.

Madelyn Bisson, William Buxton, Frances Erlandson, David Groethe, Jake Guyette, Sam Guyette, Colin Heffner, Owen Ing, Jamie Jones, Jack Kelley, Quilan Plukas, Alejandro Quintana, Carly Rapoport, Ella Ward, Emma Wollitz, Haylie Wollitz

The Perry L. Johnson Family Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by the Williams and Fenton families in memory of Perry and Trudy Johnson and their two daughters, who lost their lives in the Tenerife air tragedy. This scholarship is presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to a student who is an active church member who evidences a growing Christian faith, consistent academic work and potential for church and community service.

Alejandro Quintana

The Leo and Rena Kallejian Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by Leo and Rena Kallejian. This scholarship is presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to provide support to students in our church pursuing their educational goals.

David Groethe, Jake Guyette

The Donald and Barbara Mulder Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by Donald and Barbara Mulder. This scholarship is presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to provide support to a student in our church pursuing his or her educational goals.

Sam Guyette

The Roy and Maxine Naylor Memorial Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by the family of Roy Naylor, in his memory. This scholarship is presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to provide support to a church member pursuing his or her educational goals.

Haylie Wollitz

The Donald Lee Nelson Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by Donald Lee Nelson, in his memory. This scholarship is presented annually to a First UMC student pursuing higher education.

Meg Smith

The Shareringer Scholarship

is provided through gifts from the Shareringer Group. This scholarship is presented annually to a First UMC student pursuing higher education and needing assistance.

Frances Erlandson

The Lawrence E. and Verna A. Vredevoe Memorial Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by the family of Lawrence E. and Verna A. Vredevoe, in their memory. This scholarship is presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to a member of the church who is a graduating high school senior with high academic achievement pursuing higher education.

Jack Kelley

John and Donna Vredevoe Porter Scholarship

is provided to a First UMC member graduating high school with academic honors equivalent to that of a California Scholastic Seal Bearer. This award recognizes academic achievement at the high school level and potential for achievement in higher education.

Ella Ward

The Ken Whitney Memorial Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by the family of Ken Whitney and Norma Williams Whitney, in their memory. These scholarships are presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to students involved in our church life who plan to pursue studies in the field of music or engineering and evidence a serious intent to reach that goal.

Owen Ing

The George and Norma Williams Memorial Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by Gale and Norman Williams, in memory of George and Norma Williams. This scholarship is presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to an outstanding college student who demonstrates an exemplary life, a growing faith and an involvement in the church.

Julia Rogers

The Robert and Anna Wood Family Scholarship

is provided through a gift to The Methodist Foundation by the family of Bob and Anna Wood, in their memory. This scholarship is presented by the Loans and Scholarships Committee to assist young people pursuing higher education.

Jake Guyette, Julia Rogers

United Methodist Women Awards

are provided through an original bequest by Effe Stephenson, which has been augmented over the years by additional gifts from other United Methodist Women members.

These awards are presented by the United Methodist Women to graduating senior high students who have college plans, have been or are currently active in our church and have a growing commitment to Christian principles.

**Madelyn Bisson, Jack Kelley, Conner Kennifick, Quinlan Plukas, Ella Ward,
Tristan Warren, Cassy Williams**

Scholarships are awarded annually to persons active in the life and ministry of the church who are pursuing educational goals in colleges and universities. These scholarships and awards are made possible through designated and undesignated funds administered by The Methodist Foundation of Santa Monica. Scholarship application forms are available in the Spring of each year, and may be obtained in the church office. For information on establishing a scholarship, contact The Methodist Foundation through the church office.

FAMILY INFO

—Nursery Care is available at 9:30 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.

WORSHIP INFO

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

—Rev. Farris is on vacation. Tricia Guerrero is with the Youth Service Project Team in Smith River, CA.

—Flowers: “In honor of Yvonne & Arthur Dodd’s and Jill & Jim Dodd’s wedding anniversaries.”

—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.

—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: Nathan Oney will preach.

MISSIONS

—We collect food weekly for the Westside Food Bank. In June, please bring canned soup. 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.

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by Rev. Larry Young



The Children, Youth and Family Collaborative is a mission-outreach of First UMC, and serves over 2,500 at-risk children and youth in foster care in the greater L.A. area. CYFC currently provides an after-school program in 50 schools in Los Angeles, Compton, Pomona, La Puente, Lynwood, the Antelope Valley, Long Beach, and Montebello. It provides academic remediation and intervention so that youth succeed in school. Currently 90% of CYFC students graduate from high school, and 87% go on to enroll in college or a post-secondary education program.

CYFC also offers support services to prepare youth for emancipation from foster care. All youth leave with a plan for their next stage of life. CYFC's founder and director is Lydia Templeton, whom we at First UMC have supported as a Covenant Missionary for 20 years. In addition we have supported CYFC through Alternative Christmas gifts and occasional special grants. We are in mission through CYFC!

The Missions Council invites you to learn more about how CYFC is making a difference, at a presentation following this service in Simkins Hall. Youth from the program will be present to share what it has meant to them. *Light refreshments served.*

CYFC Presentation with Rev. Larry Young: Today, 11:15 a.m. after worship in Simkins Hall

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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 - Scholarship Sunday**

11:15 a.m. Children, Youth, and Family
 Collaborative Presentation, SH
 4 p.m. An Afternoon of Choral & Organ
 Masterworks, S

Wednesday, June 26

9 a.m. UMW Workparty/Lunch, Workroom

Thursday, June 27

5:30 p.m. Family Place Community Meal, OS

Sunday, June 30

11:30 a.m. Good Samaritan Medical and Dental
 Ministry Presentation, FR

CHILDREN & YOUTH**Children's Ministry**

June Theme: Church Family

Sunday School today: Believers Share

Our curriculum, Deep Blue Adventures, goes with the Deep Blue Bibles so that our children enter into a journey that combines exciting stories, arts and crafts, and interactive games into a living-faith experience that will help them discover what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ today.

United Methodist Youth Fellowship

UMYF is on summer break.

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**Scholarship Sunday - Today**

As the school year draws to a close, the young scholars of First UMC are excited about their next educational step. Today we honor and recognize those being awarded with a Methodist Foundation Scholarship.

Today, during 10 a.m. Worship service

Guest Choir Concert - Today

Don't miss a special **Afternoon of Choral and Organ Masterworks** with Dr. James Vail, featuring The Laudamus Te Singers, joined by members of our own First UMC choir.

They will present Franz Schubert's **Mass in A Flat, for Choir, Soloists and Orchestra**. The second piece of the evening, conducted by Dr. James Smith, is Francis Poulenc's **Concerto in G Minor, for Organ, Strings & Tympani, with Ty Woodward, organ**. Spend your Sunday afternoon listening to beautiful music!
A freewill offering will be taken.

Today, 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary

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, June 27, 5:30 p.m. Family Place
 (1020 12th St. SM)**

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)

Good Samaritan Medical and Dental Ministry 20th Anniversary Visit in the Fireside Room - Next Sunday

First UMC members Todd and Sherry Erlandson traveled to Cao Bang Province in North Vietnam last month with Dr. Vien Doan, founder of the Good Samaritan Medical and Dental Ministry. Dr. Doan, who left Vietnam as a child in 1975, has been traveling back annually for the past 20 years with over 100 doctors and support staff to provide much-needed medical and dental care to underserved populations. The Good Samaritans are planning the construction of a state of the art Family Health Center, which will be staffed by Western-trained, Vietnamese doctors, with the goal of providing local primary care services and reducing stress on regional hospitals.

Join Dr. Vien Doan after worship in the Fireside Room next Sunday as he gives a video presentation and discusses the history and latest news of the Good Samaritan Medical and Dental Ministry.

Next Sunday, June 30, 11:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room

Habitat for Humanity Upcoming Build Dates - Volunteer Now!

Martha Ross update: "Calling all builders!! Our Habitat for Humanity Culver City Build continues unabated, and we are now putting together two teams for the months of July and August to continue this great effort. Our six single family homes are very close to being finished and seeing our families move in. FAB-U-LOUS!!! Our build dates coming up are: July 13 (4 spots left) and August 10 (all spots filled.) Location: 4000 block of Globe Avenue, Culver City, CA 90230. Parking is available close to the site, although carpooling is encouraged as always. I can guarantee you will have a very fun and meaningful experience being a part of this great project. I would love to pound a nail or two with you or paint the siding on one of the houses with you! Blessings, Martha."

Contact Martha at: mpr01@verizon.net to sign up.

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! VBS 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! Ages 5/TK to 5th Grade.

**Monday, August 5 - Friday, August 9,
9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

VBS Cost: \$30/child (\$80 max. per family)

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

Volunteers for Vacation Bible School

Do you have a few hours to spare this summer? Have you been thinking about giving back to your local community? Then Vacation Bible School might be for you! VBS is a one week long, half-day summer program full of fun, music, scripture and stories, science projects, prayer and a mission project. We're looking for some adult volunteers to lead and some youth shepherds to assist with the various stations. If this sounds like the right fit for you or if you have any further questions on volunteering, contact Tricia Guerrero: t.guerrero@santamonicaumc.org

BIG & small Animal Art Group Exhibit Returns in the Fall!

The 3rd Annual Animal Art Show is in the works. Our theme this year is **Take Flight**. Exhibit opens Saturday, October 5 – immediately after the annual Blessing of the Animals in the Courtyard, and will run for a month.

Attention Artists: Show us your version of God's flying creatures, big and small.

Fill out an artist submission form online to participate. Go to: www.santamonicaumc.org/firesideroomart. Feel free to share with your artist friends. Questions may be sent to Shalimar Carducci: s.carducci@santamonicaumc.org.



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 June we are collecting canned soups.

UMCOR - United States Disaster Response

When disasters happen, it is local churches that provide the first response to their communities. This basic understanding – that disaster response is local – forms the foundation for UMCOR's U.S. disaster training and response efforts. To see the list of active responses in the US, and to bolster response efforts, go to: www.umcmission.org/umcor/serve/us-disaster-response.

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

OPEN INVITATIONS

Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study is a weekly meeting where men of all ages and generations gather to ground themselves in the Holy Scripture. As men try to navigate the stresses and complexities of this modern world and daily life, Men's Breakfast is a place for community, prayer and fellowship through the sharing of God's Holy word. Come by as your schedule permits! **Meets Tuesdays, 7 a.m. in the Fireside Room**

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, July 20, 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m., Room 300

LOOKING FORWARD



PARENTS DATE NIGHT + KIDS FUN NIGHT

Limited space available. Register early!

WHEN: Saturday, July 20, 5 - 8 p.m.

WHERE: First UMC, Second Floor Education Bldg.

COST: \$25/child + \$10 for each additional sibling

AGES: 2 years – 5th grade

For more information, and to register, go to: www.santamonicaumc.org/date-night-2019

Cancellations can be refunded up until 48 hours before the event.

For questions, please contact Tricia Guerrero, Director of Children and Youth Ministry at t.guerrero@santamonicaumc.org or 310-393-8258 (ext. 104), or Jamie Jones: j.jones@santamonicaumc.org

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While parents enjoy an evening out, children are provided a safe and fun evening of games, activities and crafts, pizza dinner, and a movie with our trained childcare team.