We are enlivened and empowered by the everlasting power of God’s rainbow of love and light. This is a moment to grow in generosity and joyful hearts. Let’s stay steady, and be faithful and creative, offering all the gifts with which we have been blessed to hold one another through these times.

- Continue to give generously.
- Donations to the Westside Food Bank may be made in support of their virtual food bank at: www.westsidefoodbankca.org.
- Take care. Wash your hands. Do everything in your power to help stop the spread of the virus.
- Deepen the bonds of love amongst family, friends and neighbors in our new-found extra time together.
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- Check the church website for updates on worship and ministry opportunities. www.santamonicaumc.org

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Welcome

Prelude
Be Thou My Vision (arr. Gordon Young)
Ty Woodward, organ

Call to Worship
Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands!
Lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing!
Sing to the Lord a new song, for the Lord has done wondrous things.
God shall treat the people with equity. Let the rivers and sea ring out with joy!

Response
The Doxology
T. Woodward

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 uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
OUR MISSION & COMMON LIFE

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WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO PRAYER Amazing Grace

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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.

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OFFERTORY

Anand Darcie, solo

On Eagles Wings (arr. Mark Hayes)

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UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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POSTLUDE

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Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;
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See What Love Can Do - Have you experienced or witnessed moments of love throughout our current situation? Perhaps you’d like to share it and thus inspire some of us who could use a smile. We’re looking for pictures, essays (500 words or less), poems, and everything in between. You may still submit entries to Shalimar (s.carducci@santamonicaumc.org).
**Habitat for Humanity Update**

On May 1, 2020, the Mulvihill Family closed escrow and received their keys to their new home. Congratulations Kaoru, Kendall, Trent and Mason!! Thanks to all of the First UMC Habitat team that helped make this home a reality for the Mulvihills. For the complete story, go to: www.santamonicaumc.org/habitat

**Methodist Foundation Scholarships Due Today**

Attention students! Applications for the annual Methodist Foundation Scholarships are due TODAY, Sunday, May 10. (Written essay due as well.) Go to: www.santamonicaumc.org/methodistfoundation.

**Faith in Action from Home:**

The First UMC Children’s Ministry invited families to take part in a Faith in Action service project that would reach out to a need we are seeing in our community during the Coronavirus and Safer-at-Home living. Families were asked to craft a poster or card to say thank you to the health care workers on the front lines. To watch the "Thank You Video" go to: www.santamonicaumc.org/faith-in-action.

**May Mid-Week Recital: Online!**

During these challenging times for all, especially our musicians, we’re excited to announce that the monthly Mid-Week Recitals will continue through August, via Facebook, our website and YouTube pages. This Wednesday, May 13 at 12:10 p.m., we welcome Mark Robson, piano. Go to the website for full details on ways to watch the performance: www.santamonicaumc.org/mid-week-recital-series

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