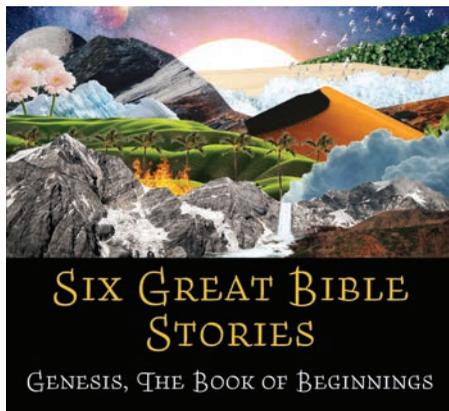


FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
WORSHIP

ONLINE Worship • Tenth Sunday after Pentecost • August 9, 2020



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WE GATHER

*Today's service is an Online service only. Go to [www.santamonicaumc.org/livestream](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/livestream), for more information.*

WELCOME

Tricia Guerrero

PRELUDE Sketch in D-flat (Robert Schumann)

Ty Woodward, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

David Bremer, Lay Lector

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.

**May your Spirit fill our hearts and renew our minds.**

May your peace bring us assurance and resilience.

**Inspire us to work more faithfully for justice and dignity of life everywhere!**

Let us worship God!

RESPONSE The Doxology

Ty 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

David Bremer

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 LESSON Exodus 2:1-10

David Bremer

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God!**

### SERMON "Six Great Bible Stories: Moses and the Midwives"

Rev. Patricia Farris

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## WE RESPOND

### INVITATION TO PRAYER Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Ty Woodward

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided; Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

### LISTENING FOR THE VOICE OF GOD

Tricia Guerrero

### SILENT PRAYER & PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Response: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our 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.**

## WE OFFER OUR GIFTS & OURSELVES

Dara l'Anson, Lay Lector

*Your continued financial support of the church is now more important than ever. You may mail your gift to the church or drop it into the mail slot of our offices any day of the week. You may also give online at [www.santamonicaumc.org/give](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/give), or mail checks through your online banking programs. You may continue to earmark gifts for our various mission projects. May God grow in us generous and joyful hearts. Thank you.*

## OFFERTORY

Anand Darsie, solo

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (arr. Mark Hayes)

Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise His name I'm fixed upon it, name of God's redeeming love. Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come; and I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, bought me with His precious blood. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee: prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I Love; here's my heart, O, take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

## UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Dara l'Anson

**We thank you, Lord, for all the children you have blessed us with in this congregation. Give patient understanding and persevering love to all grandparents and parents, teachers and coaches, counselors, scout leaders and all who work with our children. May they continue to share their gifts and wisdom with the children in their care. Have compassion, O God, on those children in your world who suffer from any illness, sorrow, trouble, violence or war. May they find comfort and healing in your strength and love. Strengthen us to be their champions and their advocates, that they may grow in safety and free of want. All this we ask in the name of your Son, who came as a child and now reigns as our Resurrected Lord. Amen.**

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## WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

### BENEDICTION

Rev. Farris

### POSTLUDE Rigaudoun (André Campra)

Ty Woodward

—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](http://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.
- Be creative. Reach out to one another with love and care.
- Check the church website for updates on worship and ministry opportunities.

[www.santamonicaumc.org](http://www.santamonicaumc.org)

—Thank you to Mike Eskridge for the beautiful flowers in the Sanctuary. To donate to the flower fund, or to send flowers to go to home-bound seniors, go to: [www.santamonicaumc.org/flower-fund](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/flower-fund).

### STAY CONNECTED ONLINE:

- **Men’s Breakfast via ZOOM: Tuesdays, 7 a.m.** Email [info@santamonicaumc.org](mailto:info@santamonicaumc.org), if you would like to join this group.
- **Parables of Jesus Online Bible Study with Rev. Larry Young: Tuesdays, 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.**, Zoom or Phone In, Email Rev. Larry Young: [lyoung@lyoung.net](mailto:lyoung@lyoung.net) or call 310-376-9494.
- **Young Adults/Open Space via Zoom: Wednesdays, 7 p.m.** Email: [openspacesantamonica@gmail.com](mailto:openspacesantamonica@gmail.com), if you would like to join this group.
- **Youth Group Meetings via Zoom: The Youth are on Summer Break.** Email Tricia Guerrero ([t.guerrero@santamonicaumc.org](mailto:t.guerrero@santamonicaumc.org)) if you would like to join this group for youth in grades 6-12 in the Fall.
- **Children and Family Ministry:** Email Tricia Guerrero ([t.guerrero@santamonicaumc.org](mailto:t.guerrero@santamonicaumc.org)) for the Children and Family Ministry email, highlighting **Sunday School from Home**.
  - **Sunday School Meetings: Sundays, 9:15 a.m.** via ZOOM Sign up for the Children and Family email for more info.
- **Grief and Graces: a sacred space for weary souls with Keri Olsen Paget:** Second and fourth **Sundays, 4 p.m. (Aug 9 (today) & Aug 23)** Register at: [www.santamonicaumc.org/grief-graces-registration](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/grief-graces-registration).

**Sunday Zoom Social Hour: Sundays, 11 a.m. via ZOOM (note new earlier time!)** All are welcome via Zoom for a post-worship virtual “Coffee Hour.” Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/99620023368>

Zoom ID: **996 2002 3368. Password: fumc (ID valid until August 30)**

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### Grief and Graces: a sacred space for weary souls

In this time of collective loss and upheaval, Rev. Keri Olsen offers a new online gathering, "Grief and Graces, a sacred space for weary souls." Meeting on the second and fourth Sundays of the month, come for a time of reflection, to name the challenges and gifts of this time, listen for God's invitation, and close with prayer. It is a drop-in group, as needed. All are welcome, invite a friend. To register, go to [www.santamonicaumc.org/grief-graces-registration](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/grief-graces-registration).

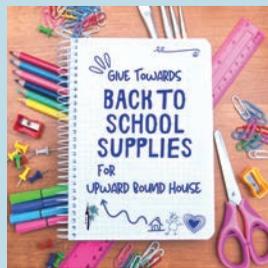
**Sundays, August 9 (today) & August 23, 4 p.m., via Zoom or Phone In**



### Online August Mid-Week Recital

First United Methodist Church is excited to present our next Mid-Week Recital: **Susan Greenberg, flute; Cristina Montes Mateo, harp.** How to watch: Facebook - search @santamonicaumc. • YouTube Channel - Search "Santa Monica UMC." • Website - View the recital on the Livestream page: [www.santamonicaumc.org/livestream](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/livestream). To read more about the artists, visit: [www.santamonicaumc.org/mid-week-recital-series](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/mid-week-recital-series).

**ONLINE Mid-Week Recital: Wednesday, August 12, 12:10 p.m.**



### Donations Needed for Upward Bound House School Supplies

During the month of August, First UMC will continue its tradition of taking donations that will enable us to supply 60 backpacks and school supplies for Family Place, the transitional housing program at UBH for families with young children. This year we are **ONLY** accepting money donations (not supplies) towards the purchase of supplies in bulk. To donate, go to [www.santamonicaumc.org/give](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/give), click Give Online, then select "School Supplies for UBH" in the dropdown menu. You may also send in a check made to First UMC, notate UBH in the memo.



### Sunday Zoom Social Hour: Sundays, 11 a.m. (\*note new time)

Get your coffee and donut (or what ever snacks you might have on hand) ready for a post-worship virtual "Coffee Hour" Sundays at **11 a.m.**

All are welcome via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/99620023368>

**Zoom ID: 996 2002 3368. Password: fumc** (ID valid until August 30)

*\*Have a computer but no camera? No problem! You can still attend.*

Contact Sarah Rold ([s.rolld@santamonicaumc.org](mailto:s.rolld@santamonicaumc.org)) by Fridays for how to join by phone.

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