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WE OFFER OUR GIFTS & OURSELVES

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HYMN One Bread, One Body Ty Woodward

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WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Tricia Guerrero

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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.

Prayer Quilts: If there is a prayer quilt during service, you may call or email Sarah in the church office to request a tie be made on the quilt for you; she will let you know the requested prayers: Sarah Rold (310.393.8258), or s.rold@santamonicaumc.org. Prayers will be collected Tuesday – Friday of the following week, and the prayer knots will be tied by the church staff.

God is real. God is love. Together we can change the world.

For information on how to join any of these ongoing ministries, visit the website: www.santamonicaumc.org.
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All are welcome via Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/95709897528
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Sundays, 11 a.m., via Zoom

Thanksgiving Food Drive & 30th Annual 5k Hunger Walk, with Martha Ross, and the Westside Food Bank
Last year, Westside Food Bank provided food for over 110,000 people in Western Los Angeles County. This year, they will be distributing food for twice as many people in response to the food insecurity so many people are now facing due to the pandemic. First UMC has two ways to participate in their food assistance efforts:

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