

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WORSHIP

ONLINE Worship • Lessons and Anthems • March 21, 2021

Today's service is an Online service. Go to www.santamonicaumc.org/livestream, for more information.



This service is an annual First UMC tradition, designed to prepare us for the events of Holy Week in deep prayer and reflection. May the Spirit of God quiet and open your heart, mind and soul, as together we consider God's great gift of Christ Jesus.

WE GATHER

WELCOME

Tricia Guerrero

PRELUDE *Kyrie from Mass of Remembrance* (Michael McClish)

Ty Woodward, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jack McHugh, Lay Lector

Brother Christ, help us to follow you deep into the waters of baptism, to break the chain of past wrongs, to become fit to face your coming age.

Jesus, our Brother, help us to follow you.

Help us to follow you on the road to Jerusalem, to set our faces firmly against friendly suggestions to live a safe, expedient life, to embrace boldly the way of self-offering.

Jesus, our Brother, help us to follow you.

Help us to follow you even to the cross, to see our hope in your self-spending love and mercy, to die to all within us not born of your love.

Jesus, our Brother, help us to follow you.

UNISON PRAYER

Tricia Guerrero

Almighty God, through love you have made us, and for love you call us to repentance. Grant that we who need to mend our sinful ways may find strength in your compassion and forgiveness. Restore to us the joy of your salvation; give us your Holy Spirit that we may serve you with willing hearts, bearing witness to your abundant mercy in all the world; through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

SILENT 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.

OUR MISSION & COMMON LIFE

Jack McHugh

We thank God for these opportunities for fellowship, for worship, and for service.
Thanks be to God!

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS & OURSELVES

William Bumiller, 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, 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC Prelude from 5 Pieces for 2 Violins and Piano (Dimitri Shostakovich)

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

William Bumiller

O God, you who reveal your power above all in your mercy and forgiveness, open up for us the treasures of your mercy. Continue to fill us with your gifts of love, that we may share in the eternal life you promise and in the joys of your kingdom. Amen.

The Agony of Gethsemane

HYMN What Wondrous Love Is This

Ty Woodward

FIRST LESSON Mark 14:32-38

William Bumiller

The Betrayal & Arrest

SECOND LESSON Mark 14:43-50

Tricia Guerrero

HYMN Ah, Holy Jesus

Ty Woodward

The Trial Before Religious Authorities

THIRD LESSON Matthew 26:57-66

Jack McHugh

The Denial of Peter

FOURTH LESSON Mark 14:66-72

William Bumiller

SPECIAL MUSIC Sarabande from Sixth Cello Suite (J.S. Bach)

The Trial Before Pontius Pilate & The Journey to Calvary

FIFTH LESSON Mark 15:1-15

Tricia Guerrero

The Cross

SIXTH LESSON Mark 15:16-20

Jack McHugh

HYMN What Wondrous Love Is This

Ty Woodward

SEVENTH LESSON Romans 6:1-11

Rev. Patricia Farris

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Cortege and Litany (Marcel Dupré)

Ty Woodward

Today's musicians: Anna Kostyuchek, violin; Kevan Torfeh, cello; and James Smith, piano

—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. Be sure to check the church website for updates on worship and ministry opportunities: www.santamonicaumc.org.

—**Flowers:** To donate to the Flower Fund or to send flowers 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.rolld@santamonicaumc.org, Prayers will be collected Tuesday – Friday of the following week, and the prayer knots will be tied by the church staff. To request a Prayer Quilt for someone in need, go to: www.santamonicaumc.org/prayerquiltministry.

—**Give Online:** Thank you everyone for all your support during these uncertain times. The Finance office continues to receive your gifts securely online at www.santamonicaumc.org/give, via mail, or onsite through the office mail slot. No gift is too small. Thank you!

STAY CONNECTED ONLINE via ZOOM or Phone In

- **Men’s Breakfast/Bible Study: Tuesdays, 7 a.m.**
- **Young Adults/Open Space: Wednesdays, 7 p.m.**
- **The Gospel of Mark Bible Study with Rev. Larry Young: Tuesdays, 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. (Class concludes April 6)**
- **Listening Hearts: a women’s group for all self-identifying women, with Tricia Guerrero: *For April, 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. (April 8 & 22)**
- **Children and Family Ministry:**
 - **Sunday School for Kids: Sundays, 9:15 a.m.**
- **Youth Group Meeting: Sundays, 4 p.m.**

After Worship Social Hour: Sundays, 11 a.m. via Zoom
All are welcome via Zoom for a post-worship virtual “Coffee Hour.”
<https://zoom.us/j/96578397184>

NEW Zoom ID: 965 7839 7184 - Password: fumc

For information on how to join any of these ongoing ministries, visit the website: www.santamonicaumc.org.

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Confirmation 2021: Pray for the Confirmands

This spring, eight youth are making their way through Confirmation class. This journey is a communal journey and each person in this church community is invited to pray for the Confirmands along the way. A favorite First UMC tradition is for each Confirmand to receive a prayer square that has been made by our Prayer Quilt Ministry and prayed over by the community during worship. We feature the prayer squares in online worship today. To email your prayer for all of the Confirmands, go to:

www.santamonicaumc.org/confirmation



Holy Week 2021

Next Sunday we celebrate Palm Sunday, marking Jesus' entry into Jerusalem with special music you won't want to miss. This day begins **Holy Week**, the final week that leads us to Easter. You can find Holy Week opportunities for worship, prayer and celebration along with details for how to participate on the following page, and on the website: www.santamonicaumc.org/lent.

MARCH 28: Palm Sunday

10 a.m. ONLINE Sanctuary Worship



Today after Worship: Chat with Rev. Farris at Coffee Hour!

Stop by Zoom Coffee Hour today at 11 a.m., to say "Hello" and chat with Rev. Patricia Farris.

All are welcome via **Zoom**: <https://zoom.us/j/96578397184>

NEW ID INFO: 965 7839 7184 Password: fumc

**Have a computer but no camera? No problem! You can still attend. Contact Sarah Rold (s.rolld@santamonicaumc.org) by Fridays for how to join by phone.*

Sundays, 11 a.m., via Zoom

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MARCH 28: Palm Sunday - 10 a.m. ONLINE Sanctuary Worship

The day we celebrate Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem, featuring special music: a new arrangement of two traditional Palm Sunday hymns: "Ride On, Ride On In Majesty," and "All Glory Laud and Honor," arranged by Michael McClish, with a solo by Ryan Brown.

APRIL 1: Maundy Thursday - 6:30 p.m. ONLINE Worship

In the Christian tradition, Maundy Thursday is the day to imitate Christ as servant, living into our call to serve one another and remembering Jesus in the celebration of Holy Communion.

This online service will be led by Open Space.

Followed by: **7 p.m. After Worship Zoom Gathering:** Join us in community to celebrate Maundy Thursday post-worship. <https://zoom.us/j/96578397184>, Password: fumc



April 2: Good Friday: Labyrinth Open for Prayer (In-Person) 10 a.m.- 2 p.m., in Simkins Hall

The Labyrinth will be open during Good Friday. Stop by to walk in meditation and prayer to look within and find peace. While continuing to follow the latest health and safety guidelines, we offer this sacred space as a way of nurturing our faith during these challenging times. (See guidelines on the website: www.santamonicaumc.org/lent.)

APRIL 3: Holy Saturday EASTER HOP-BY (In-Person) Come anytime between 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. in the First UMC Courtyard

All are welcome to attend our Hop-By Easter event, hosted by First UMC Children and Family Ministries. Walk through stations in the First UMC Courtyard for fun and physically-distanced activities for Easter lovers of all ages. • Featuring crafts bags, a single household family photo, a chalk mural and even a visit from the Easter Bunny. • Drive by to pick up your bag, or park in the church parking lot and walk through the event to fully participate in each activity. *Remember to wear your mask.* • Missions Council will also be hosting a **food drive for the West Side Food Bank**, so bring cans and dry goods to donate. We look forward to seeing you there!



APRIL 4: Easter Sunday 10 a.m. ONLINE Sanctuary Worship

Our celebration of Christ's Resurrection, featuring a vocal sextet from the Chancel Choir, singing two anthems: "The Day of Resurrection," and "To the Lamb on the Throne," with David Searfoss on trumpet.

All online events can be found: Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/santamonicaumc/live
First UMC website: www.santamonicaumc.org/livestream Youtube: www.youtube.com/c/SantaMonicaUMC