

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP

ONLINE Worship • Third Sunday in Lent • Holy Communion • March 7, 2021



WE GATHER

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

WELCOME

Tricia Guerrero

PRELUDE

Ty Woodward, organ; James Smith, piano

Sheep May Safely Graze *from* Cantata No. 208 (J.S. Bach, arr. E. Power Biggs)

CENTERING ON GOD

Kyrie Eleison

Psalm 19: 7-9, 14

Lincoln Hughes, Lay Lector

Kyrie Eleison

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lincoln Hughes

In these forty days of Lent, God invites us into reflection and prayer.

You open our eyes, O God, to your presence in the world.

You free us to lead others to the radiant splendor of your mercy.

Be with us in these journey days, O God.

Make us those who are born fresh and loving, open to life and people, growth and new being.

Open us to new life in Christ Jesus.

OUR MISSION & COMMON LIFE

David Wilson, Lay Lector

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

Thanks be to God!

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

THE GOSPEL John 2:13-22

David Wilson

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

HOMILY "Opening Our Lives: Do THIS in Remembrance"

Rev. Patricia Farris

WE RESPOND

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS & OURSELVES

Lincoln Hughes

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.

OFFERTORY

Vera Lugo, solo

○ Rest in the Lord *from* Elijah (Felix Mendelssohn)

○ rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him, and He shall give thee thy heart's desires; ○ rest in the Lord.

Commit thy way unto him and trust in him, and fret not thyself because of evil doers.

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lincoln Hughes

No gift of ours can match the gift you have given us in Christ, giving God.

But our offerings are an expression of our need to know you and to serve you, faithfully and humbly. Come to us, we pray, open our lives and lead us. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Farris

I invite you to take the communion elements you have in your home—a piece of bread or cracker and a cup of water or juice. After I consecrate the elements at the altar table, I invite us to commune all together, receiving the bread and cup which make Christ present and real to us in our bodies, hearts, and souls.

We experience the presence of Christ in our hearts through the grace of God which knows no walls or boundaries, in which there is no distance or separating. We are always truly “one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world!”

HYMN One Bread, One Body

Ty Woodward

One bread, one body, one Lord of all. One cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.
Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Tricia Guerrero

Holy God, giver of Life, we thank you for raising us up and joining us together as one people, your people, flesh and bone in the body of Christ. As you have delivered us from death, use our lives to proclaim the good news of new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL 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.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Farris

POSTLUDE Prelude and Fugue in D minor (J. S. Bach)

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. 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. (same class)**
- **Listening Hearts: a women’s group for all self-identifying women, with Tricia Guerrero: First and third Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.**
- **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/95709897528>

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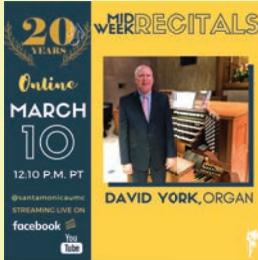
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God is real. God is love. ■ Together we can change the world.

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March Online Mid-Week Recital

Tune in Wednesday, March 10, for the March Mid-Week Recital featuring David York, organ, (with an appearance by First UMC member Ann Wilson, narrating one of the pieces!) To read David's bio, and to view past recitals, go to: www.santamonicaumc.org/mid-week-recital-series.

View the performance: Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/santamonicaumc/live, YouTube Channel www.youtube.com/c/santamonicaumc

Website : www.santamonicaumc.org/livestream.

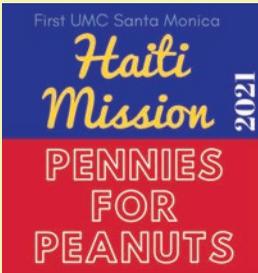
ONLINE Mid-Week Recital: Wednesday, March 10, 12:10 p.m.



March Messy Church via Zoom

The theme for March is "Pets and Peace." We'll celebrate the gift of animals in our world and especially those we call our pets. We'll learn how God wants us to show love for our world by taking care of it. One blessing of Zoom—we can bring our pets with us—so bring your pet or favorite stuffed animal and join us for a fun time at Messy Church! To sign up for the monthly email, go to www.santamonicaumc.org/messychurch for more information.

Saturday, March 13, 4:30- 5:15 p.m. via Zoom



Haiti Mission: Pennies for Peanuts

Today is the last day to donate towards the Haiti Mission Project of Pennies for Peanuts. To donate, go to: www.santamonicaumc.org/haiti, then click the Give Online link at the top of the page. Select "Haiti – Pennies for Peanuts" in the drop-down menu on the donation page. Thank you for your support!



Sunday Zoom Social Hour

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/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.*

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