FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ONLINE Worship • Pentecost • May 23, 2021

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Adagio molto Sonata No 3 (Alexandre Guilmant)
Ty Woodward, organ

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and make it truly thine. Fill it with love and joy and power, with righteousness and peace;
till Christ shall dwell in human hearts, and sin and sorrow cease. So shall we know the power of Christ who came this world to save;
so shall we rise with him to life which soars beyond the grave;
and earth shall win true holiness, which makes thy children whole; till, perfected by thee, we reach creation's glorious goal!

WELCOME
Tricia Guerrero

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.
Listening Hearts: a women’s group for all self-identifying women, with Tricia Guerrero: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 6:30 p.m: June 3 & 17

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

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

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OUR MISSION & COMMON LIFE

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Thanks be to God!

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

THE LESSON  Acts 2:1-18

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

SERMON  “God’s Creating Spirit”

Invitation to Prayer

Spirit of God

Spirit of God, bright Wind, breath that bids life begin, glow as you always do; create us anew.

Give us the breath to sing, lifted on soaring wing, held in your hands, born on your wings.

Alleluia! Come, Spirit, Come!

Spirit of God, in all, we gladly hear your call, the life in our hands that sings, the power of your wings.

Born of your grace we rise, love shining in our eyes, held in your hands, born on your wings.

Alleluia! Come, Spirit, Come!

INVITATION TO PRAYER

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LISTENING FOR THE VOICE OF GOD

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Molly Smith

Great and eternal God, we bring forth gifts of thanksgiving offered for a world in need. We praise you for your church and its witness. Breathe new life into each of us today. May our gifts and our lives be strengthened by your Spirit and further the ministries of your church. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS & OURSELVES

Molly Smith

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.santamonicumc.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

On Eagles Wings (arr. Mark Hayes)

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in His shadow for life, say to the Lord:

“My refuge, my Rock in whom I trust?” (Refrain) And He will raise you up on eagle’s wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand.

The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear; under His wings you’re refuge, His faithfulness your shield. (Refrain) You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day; though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come. (Refrain) For to His angels He’s given a command to guard you in all of your ways; upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone. (Refrain)

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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 GO FORTH TO SERVE

POSTLUDE

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Psalm 19 - The Heavens Declare the Glory of God (Bennedetto Marcello)
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www.santamonicaumc.org/sunday-morning-walks

Every Sunday, 8 a.m., meet in the First UMC Courtyard

Sanctuary Open for Prayer

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