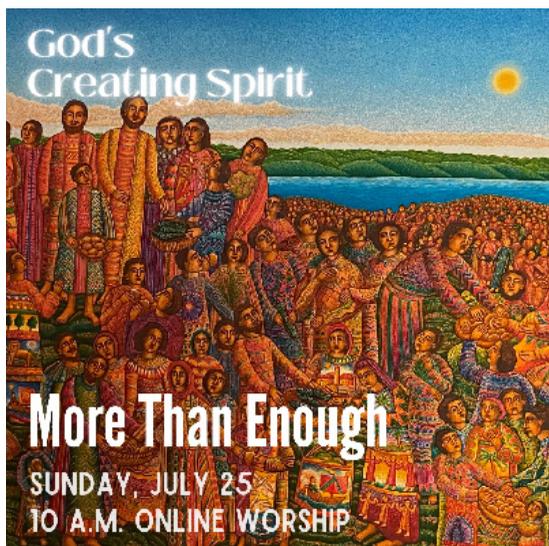


FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP

ONLINE Worship • 9th Sunday after Pentecost • July 25, 2021



Loaves and Fishes by John August Swanson

WE GATHER

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

WELCOME

Tricia Guerrero

PRELUDE | I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ (J. S. Bach)

Ty Woodward, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Amelie Hughes, Lay Lector

Creator God, great is your name!

All creation sings of your glory.

You have exalted us and crowned us with honor—even the infants join stars and moon in singing your praise.

How great, O God, is your name in all the earth!

RESPONSE | Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

Ty Woodward

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

OUR MISSION & COMMON LIFE

Terri-Rae Elmer, 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 6:1-21

Terri-Rae Elmer

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

SERMON "God's Creating Spirit: More Than Enough"

Rev. Patricia Farris

WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO PRAYER Seek Ye First

Ty Woodward

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, Alleluia!

LISTENING FOR THE VOICE OF GOD

Tricia Guerrero

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL 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

Amelie 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

Anand Darsie, solo

Lord of the Dance (arr. Mark Hayes)

I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth; at Bethlehem I had My birth. *(Refrain)* Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said He, and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said He. I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee, but they would not dance and they would not follow Me; I danced for the fishermen, for James and John; they came with Me and the dance went on. *(Refrain)* I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame; the holy people said it was a shame. They whipped and they stripped and they hung Me high, and left Me there on a cross to die. *(Refrain)* I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black; it's hard to dance with the devil on your back. They buried My body and they thought I'd gone: but I am the dance and I still go on. *(Refrain)* They cut me down and I leapt up high; I am the life that will never, never die; I'll live in you if you'll live in Me: I am the Lord of the Dance, said He. *(Refrain)* Oh, dance!

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Amelie Hughes

Renew us by your love, O God, that we might embrace with thanksgiving and singleness of heart all your good gifts of love. May our lips declare and our lives display genuine gratitude and unwavering confidence that your love for us will never fail; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

BENEDICTION

Rev. Farris

POSTLUDE Prelude in Classic Style (Gordon Young)

Ty Woodward

—**Welcome New Visitors!** We're happy you're here. You may fill out a New Visitor Sign-In form online to send us your prayer requests, questions, comments, and suggestions. Go to: www.santamonicaumc.org/im-new.

—**Flowers:** "In loving memory of my husband Wendell Furnas's birthday." From Karen Furnas.

—**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!

—**Prayer Requests:** The Prayer Chain is a network of persons who pray in response to prayer requests, and treat all requests as confidential. You may send a prayer request at any time, and our Prayer Chain will be notified of your request. For more info, go to www.santamonicaumc.org/prayer-requests.

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.: Aug 5**
One meeting in August.
- **Children and Family Ministry, Sunday School for Kids:**
On break for the summer.
- **Youth Ministry:** *On break for the summer.*

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>

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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Celebrating the Preschool

The First UMC Preschool celebrated its last day of the school year on Friday! We give thanks for our teachers who have provided a safe, caring and nurturing environment for children and families over the past year. We also thank Preschool Director Dee Menzies, and Assistant Director Dane Rold, for their leadership during these unprecedented times. We are so grateful to all of the Preschool children and their families for a wonderful year of fun and learning.



Tonight! Final *Church on the Lawn*

Come gather on the church lawn for worship and community, for the last in a three part summer series of *Church on the Lawn*. Led by Tricia Guerrero, the series topic is "I've Been Meaning to Ask: A Series for Curiosity, Courage, & Connection." Worship activity bags will be available to help children participate. **Chairs are provided**, or you may bring a lawn chair or blanket. *Masks please*. We look forward to time together in community as we worship, pray, serve and grow in God's love!

Tonight, 5 – 6 p.m., First UMC Courtyard (arrive at 5 p.m., church starts at 5:15 p.m.)



Thank You Prayer Quilt Ministry

We give thanks for our Prayer Quilt Ministry and the many hearts and hands that work faithfully through this ministry of love and support. During this time, they continue to offer prayer quilts to those in need of prayer. You can visit the website to find out more about this meaningful ministry.

www.santamonicaumc.org/prayerquiltministry



Sunday Zoom Social Hour

Catch up with the church community and chat about the topic of the day during after worship "Coffee Hour" **Sundays at 11 a.m.**

All are welcome via:

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/96578397184>

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