

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP

ONLINE Worship • 13th Sunday after Pentecost • August 22, 2021



Ecclesiastes © 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 *Allegretto Sonata No. 4* (Felix Mendelssohn)

Ty Woodward, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Carol Reich, Lay Lector

Watching for a new heaven, waiting for a new earth,

We gather here today with the saints of every time and place to honor and praise your holy name, O God.

As you have revealed your mercy and might to your faithful people in every age, let us glimpse the mystery of your life-giving grace.

That gift is available to us all this day! Glory be to God forever!

RESPONSE *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Ty Woodward

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

OUR MISSION & COMMON LIFE

Michael Lamb, 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 LESSON Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 (CEB)

Carol Reich

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

SERMON "A Time for Everything: A Time to Build Up"

Rev. Patricia Farris

WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO PRAYER The Church's One Foundation

Ty Woodward

Called forth from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth; our charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy name professing, and at one table fed, to one hope always pressing, by Christ's own Spirit led.

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

Michael Lamb

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

William Martinez, solo and signing

How Great Thou Art (arr. Lloyd Larson)

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed. *(Refrain)* Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art! And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin. *(Refrain)*. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art." *(Refrain)*

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Michael Lamb

Dear God, we offer you these gifts that they might build up the work of your kingdom. Make us living witnesses to the way of your righteous reign. For the glory of your son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

BENEDICTION

Rev. Farris

POSTLUDE *Allegro maestoso e vivace Sonata No. 4 (Felix Mendelssohn)*

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:** 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!

—**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: Resumes in September**
- **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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Haiti Earthquake Relief

Last weekend, Haiti was hit by a magnitude 7.2 earthquake that crumbled homes and buildings and killed more than 2,000 people to date. We pray for God's peace for the people and country, and we stand ready to take action to help. Through our on-going relationship with the Methodist Church in Haiti, First UMC is in a unique position to get much-needed funds directly into the hands of those who can use it immediately. Donate now to help: www.santamonicaumc.org/haiti



American Red Cross Blood Drive at Mt. Olive Lutheran

Our Health Ministry Council has let us know that Mt. Olive Lutheran Church will be hosting a Blood Drive through the Red Cross on Sunday, September 5, from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. You can sign up by appointment so they can ensure safe physical distancing. Sign up: www.redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS
Sunday, September 5, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Mt. Olive Lutheran Church
1343 Ocean Park Blvd, Santa Monica, CA 90405



A New In-Person and Online Church!

With the support of the First UMC Church Council, District Superintendent Mark Nakagawa, and Bishop Grant Hagiya, First UMC Santa Monica is looking towards **Sunday, September 12**, to launch a new chapter in our life together. At that time, we will begin to worship in-person in the Sanctuary each week at **10 a.m.** and continue our online service that streams at the same time as well. Our online services will continue to be available 24/7. Guidelines and more info on the website: www.santamonicaumc.org/task-force



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>
Zoom ID: 965 7839 7184 Password: fumc
Today! Join Rev. Patricia Farris to chat and answer any questions about the In-Person and Online Church plans.

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