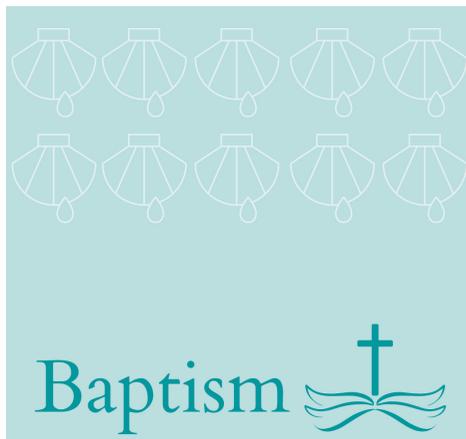


FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP

IN-PERSON **AND** ONLINE Worship • Baptism • October 24, 2021



WE GATHER

WELCOME

Tricia Guerrero

PRELUDE Song to the Moon *from* Rosalka (Antonin Dvorak)

Kevan Torfeh, cello

CALL TO WORSHIP

Adam Guerrero, Lay Lector

We come together to praise God, who is the source of our life and our love.

We come to celebrate and support families who practice love in their homes and communities.

We come praying to embrace all families with care and support.

May God show us all the path to live the Way of Love!

RESPONSE Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

Ty Woodward, organ

Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleansing waters flow. Number them among your people; bless as Christ blessed long ago. Weave them garments bright and sparkling; compass them with love and light. Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit, holy dove and heart's delight. Oh, how deep your holy wisdom! Unimagined, all your ways! To your name be glory, honor! With our lives we worship, praise! We your people stand before you, water washed and Spirit born. By your grace, our lives we offer. Recreate us; God, transform!

BAPTISM Olive Guerrero Dimalanta (see insert)

OUR MISSION & COMMON LIFE

Adam Guerrero

We give thanks for God's Creating Spirit that continues to give us life and lead us forward!

Thanks be to God!

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

THE GOSPEL Mark 10:46-52

Rev. Keri Olsen Paget

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

HOMILY "Take Heart"

Rev. Patricia Farris

WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO PRAYER Jesus Loves Me

Ty Woodward

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. *Refrain:* Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so. Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way, wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live. (*Refrain*)

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.



SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM



Sunday, October 24, 2021

INTRODUCTION

Rev. Patricia Farris

Brothers and Sisters, from the beginnings of Christianity, baptism has been our entrance into the family of faith. We believe baptism is a visible sign of the grace and love of God at work in our lives. In baptism, we are marked as Christ's follower and welcomed as part of the universal church. We believe that Jesus gives children a special place in the family of faith. He said to us: "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs."

PRESENTATION

Jocelyn Hicks-Garner, Lay Leadership Team

I am pleased to present to you **OLIVE GUERRERO DIMALANTA** for Baptism.

THOSE TO BE BAPTIZED *(Questions to the Parents and Godparents)*

Rev. Farris

Do you believe in God the source, the fountain of life; and in Christ, the offspring of God, embodied in Jesus of Nazareth and in the church; and in the liberating Spirit of God?

We do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you of new life in Christ, resisting evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

We do.

Will you nurture Olive in Christ's holy church, that by your teaching and example she may be guided to accept God's grace for herself, to profess her faith openly, and to lead a Christian life?

We will.

BAPTISM

Rev. Farris

OLIVE GUERRERO

I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

TO THE CONGREGATION

Jocelyn Hicks-Garner

Members of the household of faith, I commend Olive to your love and care. Let us do all in our power to increase her faith, confirm her hope, and perfect her in love. As members with her in the body of Christ and in this community of faith, we renew our promise to participate faithfully in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS & OURSELVES

Rev. Olsen Paget

Your continued financial support of the church is now more important than ever. Offering plates are located in the Narthex. You may also give online at www.santamonicaumc.org/give; mail your gift to the church; or drop it into the mail slot of our offices any day of the week. You may continue to earmark gifts for our various mission projects. May God grow in us generous and joyful hearts. Thank you.

OFFERTORY

Chancel Choir Octet
Keven Torfeh, cello

We Are Glad (Craig Courtney)

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter and our tongue with shouts, shouts of joy; then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them." We are glad, for the Lord has done great things for us. Those who sow in tears shall reap with songs of joy; they that go forth weeping, bearing seed, shall come home with shouts of joy bringing their sheaves with them.

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Olsen Paget

Gracious God, you created all humankind and showed to us the importance of relationships with one another. We commend to your care all the families of this congregation, community, and world. Help the commandments of love for you and love for others be our goal for life together. Amen.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

BENEDICTION

Rev. Farris

POSTLUDE Rigaudon *from* Idoménée (Andre Campra)

Ty Woodward

Chancel Choir Octet: Barbara Smith, Jane Spiegel, Vera Lugo, Ruth Peeples, Anand Darsie, Jeff Greif, Richard Crawford, Troy Robertson

Worship concludes with the Postlude music which prepares us to transition from worship to life in the world.

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

—**Flowers:** We accept donations to the Flower Fund to remember or honor a loved one for Sunday Worship service. To donate to the flower fund, 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:** Offering plates are located in the Narthex. You may also give 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.

—**Westside Food Bank:** We collect food weekly for the Westside Food Bank. Bins are located outside the Sanctuary Sunday mornings.

STAY CONNECTED:

- **Men's Bible Study: Tuesdays, 7 a.m.** via Zoom
- **Young Adults/Open Space:** Next meeting: October 27, via Zoom
- **Listening Hearts Women's Group: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays,** Next meeting - November 3, via Zoom
- **Sunday School for Kids: Hybrid schedule:** (1st/3rd Sundays on Zoom, 2nd/4th Sundays In-Person) Next Sunday: *Childrens' Sabbath - children worship in the Sanctuary*
- **Youth Ministry: Sundays, 6 p.m.** First UMC Courtyard

Sunday Social Hour: Both In Person and Online!

After Worship in the First UMC Courtyard
AND continuing Online 11 a.m. Zoom Social Hour

Zoom info: <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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God is real. God is love. ■ Together we can change the world.

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Children's Sabbath & Halloween Fun!

Next **Sunday, October 31**, during our 10 a.m. service, we will celebrate Children's Sabbath, and also Halloween! Plan to participate in worship in Halloween inspired attire (aka - a costume or something festive!) and join us for a family friendly service. We will bless 4th Grade Bibles, celebrate Sunday School teachers and Tricia Guerrero will be preaching. If you know a fourth grader who would like to receive a Bible, please let Tricia know: t.guerrero@santamonicaumc.org. After church, take some Halloween pictures out in the Courtyard, and pick up some goodies!



White Ribbon Memorial

During the All Saints Day worship service on November 7, we honor those who have died during the past year. One of the ways we remember our loved ones is with the White Ribbon Memorial. You may write the names of loved ones on a white ribbon on the table located outside the Sanctuary, say a prayer, and put the ribbon in the bowl. Ribbons hung in years' past will be rehung this year. If you are worshipping online, you may call or email the church office with your loved one's name, and we will make a ribbon for you.

White Ribbon Memorial: Sunday, November 7, during 10 a.m. worship.
Ribbons available to sign on Sundays of October 24 & 31.



Sunday Social Hour: **Both In-Person and Online!**

Come say "Hi" and spend some time in community after worship today! We offer two ways you can participate - in person and online - or you can do both! Following worship, come outside to the courtyard to visit and say Hello to one another. Then at 11 a.m., we will continue to offer Zoom Coffee Hour to all who would like to participate.

Sundays at 11 a.m. Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/96578397184>

Zoom ID: 965 7839 7184 Password: fumc

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