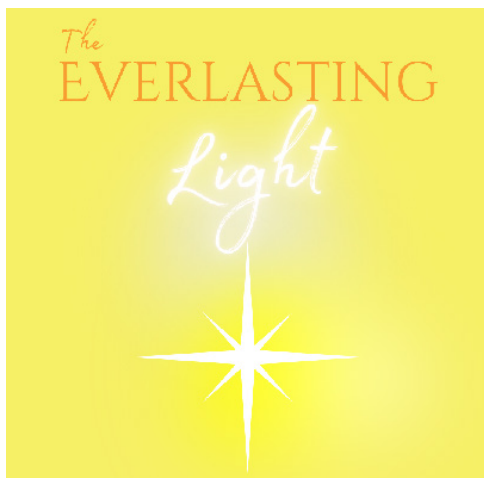


FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# WORSHIP

In-Person and Online Worship • Baptism of the Lord • Renewal of Baptismal Vows  
January 9, 2022



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## WE GATHER

WELCOME

Tricia Guerrero

PRELUDE *Air from Water Music Suite* (G. F. Handel)

Ty Woodward, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Todd Erlandson, Lay Leadership Team

From the waters of Creation, the earth sprang forth.

**From the waters of a womb, God's blessed Son was given to us.**

From the waters of a river, people were baptized and marked as God's Children.

**Praise be to God, whose loving gifts and presence have called us together.**

RESPONSE Water, River, Spirit, Grace

Ty Woodward

Water, River, Spirit, Grace, sweep over me, sweep over me!

Re-carve the depths your fingers traced in sculpting me in sculpting me. *(Repeat)*

## OUR MISSION & COMMON LIFE

Todd Erlandson

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

**Thanks be to God!**

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## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### THE GOSPEL Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Whitney Hagan, Lay Lector

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

### HOMILY "Washed in the Eternal Light"

Rev. Patricia Farris

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## WE RESPOND

### BAPTISMAL RENEWAL

Rev. Farris

To the congregation:

I ask you, in the presence of God:

Will you turn away from the powers of sin and death?

**I will.**

Will you proclaim the good news and live as disciples of Jesus Christ on earth?

**I will.**

Will you let the Spirit use you as living witnesses to the gospel, wherever you are, and in all that you do?

**I will.**

Remember that you are baptized and rejoice!

### INVITATION TO PRAYER Here I Am, Lord

Ty Woodward

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them.

They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

### 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.**

HYMN Lord, Be Glorified

Ty Woodward

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In my life, Lord, be glorified today.  
In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

## WE OFFER OUR GIFTS & OURSELVES

Whitney Hagan

*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](http://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

At the River (Aaron Copland)

Shall we gather by the river, where bright angels' feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God. Yes, we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river, gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God. Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease, soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. Yes we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river, gather with the saints by the river, that flows by the throne of God, that flows by the throne of God.

## UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Whitney Hagan

**We give you thanks, O God. May our offering honor you. May our lives reflect your mercy. May our hands bestow on others the blessings we have received. Amen.**

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## WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

## BENEDICTION

Rev. Farris

POSTLUDE Hornpipe *from Water Music Suite* (G. F. Handel)

Ty Woodward

Chancel Choir Octet: **Barbara Smith** & Claudia Flanders; **Vera Lugo** & Karen Cronquist  
**Anand Darsie** & David Bremer; **Troy Robertson** & Richard Crawford

*Worship concludes with the Postlude music which prepares us to transition from worship to life in the world. You are invited to remain seated until the Postlude concludes, or to exit quietly.*

—**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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/prayerquiltministry).

—**Give:** Offering plates are located in the Narthex. You may also give securely online at [www.santamonicaumc.org/give](http://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](http://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:** Hybrid of online and in-person meetings.

Next meeting - January 11

- **Listening Hearts Women's Group: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays,**

Next meeting - January 19, via Zoom

- **Sunday School for Kids: Sundays, 10 a.m.** Preschool Playground

- **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](http://www.santamonicaumc.org).

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### January Mid-Week Recital

After a short break in December, the Mid-Week recitals are back for 2022. January's recital features **Philip Vaiman, violin, & Miloš Veljković, piano.** Wednesday, January 12, 12:10 p.m.

**ONLINE:** Facebook: @santamonicaumc • YouTube Channel : [www.youtube.com/santamonicaumc](http://www.youtube.com/santamonicaumc) • Website: [www.santamonicaumc.org/livestream](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/livestream) • The First UMC App: (To download, go to the App Store, search FirstUMC\_SM)



### 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. 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, and request a quilt for someone in need.

[www.santamonicaumc.org/prayerquiltministry](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/prayerquiltministry)



### Youth Ministry (UMYF)

The Youth Ministry at First UMC is a community of youth in 6th through 12th grades, and adult volunteers, who gather weekly to explore and grow in faith together. One of our favorite traditions is Youth Sunday, a day when this group leads us in worship.

**Save the Date: Youth Sunday, February 27, 10 a.m. worship.**



### Sunday Social Hour: Both In-Person and Online

Come say "Hi" and spend some time in community after worship today. Following worship, come outside to the courtyard to visit and say Hello to one another. Then at 11 a.m., we 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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