

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WORSHIP

Fifth Sunday in Lent • Service of Lessons and Anthems • April 3, 2022



WE GATHER

WELCOME

Tricia Guerrero

PRELUDE *Excerpt from* Trio in Eb, op. 100, Andante con moto (Franz Schubert)

Clayton Haslop, violin; Kevan Torfeh, cello; James Smith, piano

*CALL TO WORSHIP

David Bremer, Lay Lector

Brother Christ, help us to follow you deep into the waters of baptism, to break the chain of past wrongs, to become fit to face your coming age.

Jesus, our Brother, help us to follow you.

Help us to follow you on the road to Jerusalem, to set our faces firmly against friendly suggestions to live a safe, expedient life, to embrace boldly the way of self-offering.

Jesus, our Brother, help us to follow you.

Help us to follow you even to the cross, to see our hope in your self-sending love and mercy, to die to all within us not born of your love.

Jesus, our Brother, help us to follow you.

**Asterisks indicate standing if you are able.*

UNISON PRAYER

Tricia Guerrero

Almighty God, through love you have made us, and for love you call us to repentance. Grant that we who need to mend our sinful ways may find strength in your compassion and forgiveness. Restore to us the joy of your salvation; give us your Holy Spirit that we may serve you with willing hearts, bearing witness to your abundant mercy in all the world; through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

SILENT 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, Lay Leadership Team

Your continued financial support of the church is now more important than ever. You may place gifts of cash or checks made out to "First UMC" in the offering plates as they are passed. You may also mail your gift to the church or drop it into the mail slot of our offices any day of the week. Or, 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.

THE OFFERTORY

The Chancel Choir/Dr. James Smith, Music Director

Sanctus *from* Requiem (Gabriel Fauré)

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to Thee, O Lord. Hossana in the highest.

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

David Bremer

O God, you who reveal your power above all in your mercy and forgiveness, open up for us the treasures of your mercy. Continue to fill us with your gifts of love, that we may share in the eternal life you promise and in the joys of your kingdom. Amen.

The Agony of Gethsemane

HYMN United Methodist Hymnal #292 - What Wondrous Love Is This (vs. 1)

FIRST LESSON Mark 14:32-38

David Bremer

The Betrayal & Arrest

SECOND LESSON Mark 14:43-50

Tricia Guerrero

HYMN Ah, Holy Jesus

The Chancel Choir

The Trial Before Religious Authorities

THIRD LESSON Matthew 26:57-66

Michael Lamb

The Denial of Peter

FOURTH LESSON Mark 14:66-72

David Bremer

SPECIAL MUSIC Psalm 23 (Craig Courtney)

The Chancel Choir

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He leads me beside still waters, He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; your rod and staff: they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely love and goodness will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Amen.

The Trial Before Pontius Pilate & The Journey to Calvary

FIFTH LESSON Mark 15:1-15

Tricia Guerrero

The Cross

SIXTH LESSON Mark 15:16-20

Michael Lamb

HYMN UMH #292 - What Wondrous Love Is This vs. 2

SEVENTH LESSON Romans 6:1-11

Rev. Patricia Farris

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Toccata *from* Suite Gothique (Léon Boëllmann)

Ty Woodward

*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.

—**Flowers:** Dried floral arrangements at the reredos help to remind us of our Lenten Discipline during the season of Lent. If you would like to order flowers to remember or honor a loved one for Sunday Worship service, they will be displayed in the Narthex: www.santamonicaumc.org/flower-fund.

—**Prayer Quilts:** If there is a prayer quilt during service, you are invited to to pray over and tie knots on the quilt on the north wall or 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. Online 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:** You may place gifts of cash or checks made out to “First UMC” in the offering plates as they are passed, and are also 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:** Hybrid of online and in-person meetings
- **Listening Hearts Women's Group: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays,** Next meeting - April 6, 6 p.m. via Zoom
- **Sunday School for Kids: Today:** Meet in Preschool Playground
- **Youth Ministry: Sundays, 6 p.m.** First UMC Courtyard

Sunday Social Gathering: There is an informal gathering time in the First UMC Courtyard after worship. Come say “hello” and help yourself to coffee and donuts.

Visit the website: www.santamonicaumc.org

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Holy Week **OFFERINGS**

APRIL 3-17: Westside Food Bank Food Drive

Missions Council will be hosting a food drive for the Westside Food Bank, so bring cans and dry goods to donate starting today through April 17. Look for the bins on campus before and after Sunday worship.

Sunday, APRIL 10: Palm Sunday - Holy Communion

10 a.m. In-Person and Online Worship

The day we celebrate Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem, with the waving of palms and loud Hosannas!

Sunday, APRIL 10: Easter Hop-By

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the Courtyard

Following Palm Sunday worship, come by the Courtyard for the Easter Hop-By, hosted by Children and Family Ministries. Featuring crafts bags, a family photo opp, flowers, and a visit from the Easter Bunny! Fun for all ages!

Wednesday, APRIL 13: April Mid-Week Recital

12:10 p.m. Online

Tune in to the April Mid-Week Recital, featuring Sean O'Neal, organ.

ONLINE: Facebook: @santamonicaumc • YouTube Channel :

www.youtube.com/c/santamonicaumc • Website: www.santamonicaumc.org/livestream

• The First UMC App:

(To download, go to the App Store, search FirstUMC_SM)

Thursday, APRIL 14: Maundy Thursday

7 p.m. St. Paul's Lutheran Church

St. Paul's Lutheran is holding an in-person Maundy Thursday Service. All are welcome.

958 Lincoln Blvd, Santa Monica, CA 90403

Friday, APRIL 15: Good Friday Service

7 p.m. St. Paul's Lutheran Church

St. Paul's Lutheran together with First Presbyterian Church present a Good Friday Service. All are welcome.

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Easter Sunday

April 17: Easter Sunrise Service

6:30 a.m. Palisades Park

(Santa Monica Blvd. & Ocean Ave.)

First UMC is excited to announce the Easter Sunrise Service is back this year! Bring fresh flowers for the cross, and a lawn chair or blankets. Hot coffee served.

April 17: Easter Celebration Worship

10 a.m. In-Person and Online Worship

Family Service, Choir, Organ, Easter Flowers, and Alleluias!