

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WORSHIP

Youth/Scout Sunday • January 29, 2017



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Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good....Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.
— Romans 12:9, 12

LOVE IN ACTION

WE GATHER

WELCOME

John Buxton

PRELUDE

Emma Crawford, Flute and Annika Dodd, Trombone

Etude in G minor (Pierre-Francois Clodomir)

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#89 United Methodist Hymnal — Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Ty Woodward, Organist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Andrew Buxton

As we grow in faith, we discover God who is abundant love;

And we seek to share God's love in all ways.

We love with authenticity;

And we bridge that which separates us.

We hold onto what is right;

And we love each other like family.

We contribute to the needs of God's people;

And we show hospitality to strangers.

Above all, we rejoice in hope, are patient in suffering, and persevere in prayer.

This is how we share God's love.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Please greet those worshipping near you.

Leo Rapoport

As a courtesy to others, please silence all cell phones/sound-making devices. *Asterisks indicate standing if you are able.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Emma Crawford, Dara l'Anson

#2233 The Faith We Sing – Where Children Belong

**This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.
Water, God's word, bread and cup, prayer and song: This is where children belong.**

As the congregation sings, all children are invited to come forward.

I Am a Child of God

I am a child of God; You are God's child, it's true. Children of God are called to love one another, as Jesus taught to do.

As the congregation sings, the children may go to Room 206 for Faith in Action Sunday. Parents may pick up their children following worship.

SCOUT RECOGNITION

Joshua Threlkeld with Scout Troop 67
Amanda Welser with Venture Scout Crew 67

OUR MISSION & COMMON LIFE

Annika Dodd

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

Thanks be to God!

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

THE GOSPEL Romans 12:9-21 (Pew Bible page 162, N.T.)

Natalia Quintana

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMONS

Jamie Jones, Meg Smith, Carly Rapoport

WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO PRAYER #2164 TFWS – Sanctuary (*sing twice*)

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true; with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

LISTENING FOR THE VOICE OF GOD

Owen Ing

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.

CONGREGATION RESPONSE #2164 TFWS – Sanctuary (*sing twice*)

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true; with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS & OURSELVES

Emma Wollitz

Your generous gifts support the ministries and outreach of the church. You may place gifts of cash or checks made out to "First UMC" in the offering plates as they are passed. You may also place your Let's Connect/Let Us Pray card in the offering plate. Give online at any time at www.santamonicaumc.org or by using the QR code in the insert. Credit cards are now accepted at the Sunday Hospitality Table during Coffee Fellowship. Thank you. May God grow in us generous and joyful hearts.

THE OFFERTORY

The Youth Choir/Jack McHugh, Director

He Lives in You (Mark Mancina, Jay Rifkin, Lebo M.)

*RESPONSE #94 UMH – The Doxology

Ty Woodward

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Emma Wollitz

O Holy God, we thank you for loving us. We give you these offerings with our thanks and praise. Remind us of your way of love, even when it's hardest. We pray that you will show us the way to care for all of your children, to share your love beyond these church walls and out into the world. Amen.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*HYMN #593 UMH – Here I Am, Lord

Jack McHugh, Piano

*UMYF BLESSING

Jamie Jones, Meg Smith, Carly Rapoport

**May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.
May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace. Amen.**

POSTLUDE Minuet (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.*

FAMILY INFO

—Nursery Care is available at 9 a.m. in Room 204 in the Education Building. Parents with young children are welcome to worship in the sanctuary or in the Kids Zone in the narthex.

—A changing table is provided in the restroom located in the hallway west of the Fireside Room.

—First UMC takes the care and safety of children seriously. We are a Safe Sanctuary congregation.

WORSHIP INFO

—Please see an usher if you need information or assistance.

—Flowers: In celebration of our wonderful high school seniors. We're all so proud of you. Love from your parents.

—To request a prayer, fill in a Let's Connect/Let Us Pray card and drop it in the offering plate during worship.

—If there are Prayer Quilts on the north wall of the sanctuary, you are invited to prayer over and tie knots on the quilts.

—Stop by the Hospitality Table in Simkins Hall in The Shelby Center during Coffee Fellowship for information to ask whatever might be on your mind! We're here to serve you.

—Next Sunday: Holy Communion; Rev. Patricia Farris will preach.

MISSIONS

—We collect food weekly for the Westside Food Bank. In January bring nutritional bars: protein, granola, energy or breakfast bars.

—The First UMC 2017 Haiti Work Team is preparing for their upcoming trip March 3-12. To give, go to: www.santamonicaumc.org/haiti, or make checks to First UMC with "Haiti Mission Team" on the memo line. All proceeds directly benefit Haiti.

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God is real. God is love. ■ Every person matters. You matter. ■ Together we can change the world.

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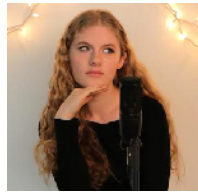
Tricia Lindley, Director of Children & Youth Ministry

This Sunday we celebrate and worship our wonderful God, while being led by our youth, those in grades 6-12. Our youth ministry at First United Methodist Church is an important part of the life of our church community. The youth continue to inspire us and lead us all in their discipleship of Jesus Christ.

Today our high school seniors, Jamie Jones, Meg Smith and Carly Rapoport will deliver sermons, and our Youth Choir, led by Jack McHugh, will make their debut. We hope you are inspired during our worship and that you join us as we go out into the world to share God's Love in Action!



Jamie Jones



Meg Smith



Carly Rapoport

We have many different opportunities for the youth to participate and grow in God's love and grace. On Sundays, the youth participate in the 10 a.m. Sanctuary Worship by serving as Acolytes, Crucifers and Lay Lectors. Sunday evenings we meet for United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) from 6:15 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. for various activities, conversation and a shared meal. Additionally, there is the Youth Service Project every summer when we serve by re-building or repairing homes across the nation. All these activities, plus more, are open to the youth of the community. For more information contact Tricia Lindley, Director of Children & Youth Ministry, at t.lindley@santamonicaumc.org.



WORSHIP & PRAYER

Sunday 10 a.m. **Sanctuary Worship**
 Sunday 5 p.m. **simple church**
*simple church theme: on why with Jesus everything is always upside down. *NOTE: No simple church next Sunday.*

MEETINGS / EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today - Youth Scout/Sunday • Faith in Action (Rm 206)
 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Troop 67 Pancake Breakfast, SH
 11 a.m. Girl Scout Cookie Sales, Alcove
 11 a.m. Covenant Bible Study begins, Room 203
Thursday, February 2
 7 p.m. Cross(+)Brew, OS
Friday, February 3
 7 p.m. Shareringers Monthly Dinner, FR
Saturday, February 4
 8 a.m. West District Training Conference, OS
Sunday, February 5

CHILDREN & YOUTH**Children: Faith in Action Sunday***

For their Faith in Action project, the children will be giving back to their home church by decorating new Chrismons ornaments for the Chrison (Christmas) trees displayed in the Sanctuary during Advent.

*Faith is more than a belief, it is an action. On every 5th Sunday of the month, the youth and children work together during Sunday School to perform a gracious act of service. The project rotates between service for the church family, the local community, and our global community, as we learn what it means to be the hands and feet of Christ serving in the world. (*In room 206 this week.)*

UMYF: This Sunday

Thank you for joining us this Youth Sunday! We will not have UMYF this evening. Next week: SuperBowl Potluck @ UMYF!

FELLOWSHIP /COMMUNITY**Troop 67 Pancake Breakfast/Girl Scout Cookie Sales - Today**

Today we celebrate Youth/Scout Sunday in worship, then after, stay for Troop 67's Pancake Breakfast (no charge) in Simkins Hall, and Girl Scout Cookie Sales in the Alcove. 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Simkins Hall.

Opportunity for Bible Study - Begins Today

We have a few open spaces for Covenant II & III Bible Study co-led by Rev. Larry Young and Andy Goebel on Sundays, beginning today. Anyone may join. 11 a.m. Room 203.

West District Training Conference

Hosted at Holman United Methodist Church, the West District Training Conference is for both current and emerging leaders within local UMC churches. Come expecting to meet new friends and connect with people across our district! For more information or to register, go to www.westdistricttraining.com. Saturday, February 4, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Holman UMC (3320 W. Adams Blvd., LA)

February Mid-Week Recital

February's recital features Junko Ueno Garret, piano. Junko is on the piano faculty at Occidental College. FREE Concert Wednesday February 8, 12:10 - 12:40 p.m., Sanctuary. Reception follows for artist in the Fireside Room.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES**Haiti Mission Team**

Start saving your pennies now for the Haiti Work Team's *Pennies for Haiti* after worship February 12, 19 & 26.

Upward Bound House - Home Run for Kids 2017

Register now for the 5k/10k Walk/Run on February 12: www.homerunforkids.com.

Save the Date: Dance for Haiti!

Get ready to have some fun dancing and exercising while supporting a great cause – The 2017 Haiti Work Team! Zumba certified instructor and church member Whitney Hagan, will lead the class. Purchase tickets: www.santamonicaumc.org/haiti. Saturday February 18, 1 p.m. Simkins Hall in The Shelby Center.

For our full calendar of this month's events, including weekly group meetings, pick up a copy of the Sentinel located in the Narthex, or go to our website: www.santamonicaumc.org/calendar.