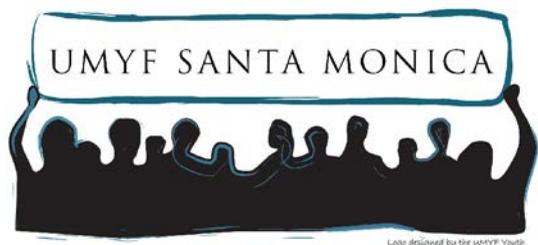


# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WORSHIP

Youth/Scout Sunday • Faith in Action • January 27, 2019



MANY GIFTS, ONE SPIRIT

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.  
- 1 Corinthians 12:12

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## WE GATHER

WELCOME

Dara l'Anson, Cristina Marbán

PRELUDE Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring (J. S. Bach)

Ty Woodward, Organ

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #64 United Methodist Hymnal — Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Wendy Stanfill

The Spirit of God is upon us.

**We are called to be God's people.**

The Spirit of God is upon us.

**We are called to be the body of Christ.**

Come let us worship God, who binds us together in love and service.

**Let us worship God with joy and spirit!**

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Gavin Kirtley

*Please greet those worshipping near you.*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Emily Plukas, Natalia Quintana

#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 their Sunday School classes to work on the Faith in Action project, making Valentine cards for home-bound congregation members.*

## SCOUT RECOGNITION

Dan Stirling

Scout Troop 67 - James Brine

Venture Scout Crew 67 - Chris Crawford

## OUR MISSION & COMMON LIFE

Lincoln Hughes

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 PSALM Psalm 19 (Pew Bible pages 498-499, O.T.)

Megan Crawford

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

THE LESSON 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a (Pew Bible page 174 N.T.)

Isabella Ohr

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

## SENIOR SERMONS

Jack Kelley, Maddy Bisson, Tristan Warren

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## WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO PRAYER #2193 TFWS – Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

LISTENING FOR THE VOICE OF GOD

Annika Dodd

SILENT PRAYER & CONGREGATIONAL 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 #2193 TFWS – Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS & OURSELVES

Andrew Buxton

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

Emma Crawford, Oboe/Mary Crawford, Accompanist

Handel's Oboe Sonata No. 2

\*RESPONSE #94 UMH – The Doxology

\*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

John Buxton

**Holy God, you have given each of us gifts to use as members of the body of Christ. Here are our gifts – the work of our hands, our hearts, and our lives. We pray they help to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to our world, today and always, here and everywhere. Amen.**

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WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

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\*HYMN #593 UMH – Here I Am, Lord

\*UMYF BENEDICTION

Jack Kelley, Maddy Bisson, Tristan Warren

**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 The Rejoicing *from* Water Music Suite (G. F. Handel)

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 safety of the children and youth very seriously. We follow Safe Sanctuaries® practices, which is our commitment to the physical safety and spiritual growth of all of our children, youth, and adults.

WORSHIP INFO

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

—Flowers: “In celebration of our high school seniors, with love from their families and the youth group.”

—To request prayers, fill in a Let’s Connect/Let Us Pray card and place it in the offering plate during worship.

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

—Stop by the Hospitality Table in Simkins Hall in The Shelby Center during Coffee Fellowship for information or 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 February, please bring canned tuna. You may leave items in the bin located outside the Sanctuary.

—Save the Date - Pennies for Haiti: Bring spare change (or cash!) to the *Pennies for Haiti* fundraiser to help support the First UMC Haiti Mission Team. Sundays: February 10, 17 & 24, 11 a.m. after worship in Simkins Hall.

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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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January 27, 2019

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. Our youth continue to inspire us and lead us all in their discipleship of Jesus Christ. We hope you are inspired during our worship to go forth in God's love to share your gifts and spirit in your life as well!



*Scenes from Youth/Scout Sunday 2018*

## YOUTH MINISTRY AT FIRST UMC

We have many opportunities for the youth of our church to participate and grow in God's love and grace. We have our Sunday evening United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) meeting Sunday evenings from 6 - 8:30 p.m. We gather for dinner, games and programs that range from service activities, seasonal outings and retreats, to discussions on life and faith. Our youth participate as Lay Lectors, Acolytes and Crucifers during our morning worship at 10 a.m. Additionally, we have our Youth Service Project every summer where we serve for a week doing home repairs or re-building across the nation. To learn more about the youth group, email Tricia at [t.guerrero@santamonicaumc.org](mailto:t.guerrero@santamonicaumc.org). More online: [www.santamonicaumc.org/youth-ministry](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/youth-ministry).



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## WORSHIP & PRAYER

Sunday 10 a.m. **Sanctuary Worship**  
 Sunday 5 p.m. **simple church**  
*simple church: reflections by Nathan Oney*

## MEETINGS / EVENTS THIS WEEK

### Today - Youth/Scout Sunday

11 a.m. Boy Scouts Pancake Breakfast, SH  
 11 a.m. Girl Scouts Cookie Sales, Alcove  
 11:30 a.m. Book Study/Potluck, FR

### Saturday, February 2

8 a.m. West District Training Conference, Off-site  
 8:30 a.m. Habitat for Humanity Build Day, Off-site

**Sunday, February 3** - Holy Communion • No simple church tonight

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

### Children's Ministry

January Theme: Healing Families

Today: *Faith in Action Sunday*

This Sunday the children will be making Valentine's Day cards for our home-bound members to let them know we care about them. In addition, the children will be crafting piggy banks to help raise funds for our church's *Pennies for Haiti*.

### United Methodist Youth Fellowship

*Youth Sunday - Youth lead today's worship.*

Stay for the Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast after worship this morning, and stop by the Girl Scout Cookie table in the Alcove to buy some cookies!

*The youth ministry at First UMC is a safe, Christ centered environment where youth explore and grow in their faith. Activities are designed to nurture relationships and build a strong, loving community. This is a place of acceptance, outreach and spirituality.*

## FELLOWSHIP /COMMUNITY

### Loving God with Our Minds Book Study/Potluck

Stay today after worship for the January Book Study in the Fireside Room. Our January and February books have been chosen to help prepare us for the Special Session of the General Conference of the UMC to take place in St. Louis in February. As a global church, we are wrestling with questions of how to remain united for mission and ministry given different perspectives on human sexuality. Our January book is *Embracing the Wideness: The Shared Convictions of The United Methodist Church*. The author, Bishop Ken Carter, is currently President of the UM Council of Bishops and one of the three convenors of the Commission on the Way Forward which has presented legislation to the General Conference. Come for what promises to be a lively discussion, even if you haven't read the book!

**Today, 11:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room**

### Habitat for Humanity Build Day

The Habitat for Humanity *Patience House* build continues to move forward. You can still sign up for the upcoming February build day and other build days to come. (*The Westside Coalition allocates a certain number of volunteer builders we can bring to each build day.*) To sign up and for more information, contact Joyce Landsverk: [jlandsve@verizon.net](mailto:jlandsve@verizon.net).

**Saturday, February 2, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**  
*(4000 block of Globe Avenue in Culver City)*

### Lenten Devotional - Writers Wanted

Mary Crawford and the Spiritual Formation Committee are looking for writers for the upcoming Lenten Devotional. Contact Mary Crawford: [froggiemary@yahoo.com](mailto:froggiemary@yahoo.com), to receive your assigned Bible verse. Devotional writings are due February 8.

**After worship, all are invited to stay for Coffee Fellowship in Simkins Hall.**

**If you are a new visitor today, feel free to ask any questions you may have at the Hospitality Table in the Simkins Hall Alcove.**

## FELLOWSHIP /COMMUNITY (CONTINUED)

### Open Space February Gathering

Open Space is a new ministry for young adults – an intentional, inclusive, open-minded group that invites all to spark deep conversation and find spiritual meaning in a safe and diverse environment. Our February Gathering will center around food and conversation with the topic: *Strengthening the Common*. Contact Nathan Oney:n.oney@santamonicaumc.org, for more information.

**Tuesday, February 5, 7 p.m. at Santa Monica Brew Works** (FB & IG: @openspacesantamonica)

### Messy Church

Messy Church is back on campus for February with the theme: *Love Rules*. Messy Church is a great opportunity for families to be together in worship without the worry of being too silly or “messy” because, let’s face it, life can be messy! At Messy Church, we grow in our relationship with God and with one another through crafts, activities, music, and stories of God’s love. Then, together we enjoy a shared meal. Be ready to get messy! Sign up to receive monthly Messy Church reminder emails and news: [www.santamonicaumc.org/messychurch](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/messychurch).

**Saturday, February 9, 4:30 - 6 p.m. in the Chapel/ Simkins Hall.**

### Pennies for Haiti

The 2019 Haiti Work Team is preparing for their mission trip in March. Each team member covers their own travel expenses; therefore, 100% of all donations raised will make a direct impact on Haiti, such as purchasing site building materials, employing Haitian laborers, and more. Bring spare change (or cash) to the *Pennies for Haiti* fundraiser held for three Sundays this month, and place them in the Pennies for Haiti buckets in church or during Coffee Hour in the hall. You may also give online: [www.santamonicaumc.org/haiti](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/haiti), or send checks by mail to First UMC Santa Monica, 1008 11 St. Santa Monica, CA 90403. *Memo: Haiti Work Team.*

**Sundays, February 10, 17 & 24, 11 a.m. after worship in Simkins Hall.**

### 2019 Home Run for Kids

Registration is underway for the 7th Annual *Home Run for Kids Walk/Run* in the Brentwood community of West Los Angeles. This year’s event—including a 5k/10k chip-timed course, and a stroller & pet friendly Kiddie K— expects to draw over 1,200 participants with all proceeds benefiting Upward Bound House. UBH is dedicated to eliminating homelessness for women, children & families in Los Angeles.

**Let’s show our support together as a First UMC & Preschool community! Join the Team!**

To register, go to: [www.santamonicaumc.org/home-run-for-kids](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/home-run-for-kids). (Team name: *First UMC Santa Monica*) You may also make a donation and not participate in the race.

Before the race, First UMC will hold a brief on-site worship service complete with Communion at 8 a.m. Look for the white First UMC tent. Find out what it means to pray on your feet!

**Sunday, February 10, 9 a.m. Darlington Ave. & 11645 San Vicente Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA**



### Save the Date: Mid-Week Recital for February

Take a break from your day and spend your lunch hour listening to beautiful music! The February recital features Lukas Hasler, *organ*. Lukas is gaining recognition for his colorful and passionate musicality and has performed many organ recitals in Austria, as well as internationally in Germany, France, Israel, the United Kingdom and the United States. For more information about the series go to: [www.santamonicaumc.org/mid-week-recital-series](http://www.santamonicaumc.org/mid-week-recital-series).

**FREE Concert Wednesday, February 13, 12:10 - 12:40 p.m., in the Sanctuary. Reception follows for the artist in the Fireside Room.**

## MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

### UMCOR Wildfire Response

UMCOR is actively engaged in California in response to previous wildfires and we anticipate supporting both conferences as they identify and respond to the needs of the populations affected by the current wildfires. UMCOR stands ready to support the response of the conferences with relief kits, Early Response Teams, and funding. For more info, go to:

<https://www.umcor.org/umcor/resources/news-stories/2018/august/umcor-responds-to-current-disasters-around-the-world>

### Westside Food Bank

Food is collected every Sunday to benefit the Westside Food Bank. Food bins can be found outside the Sanctuary and in the Preschool. For the month of February we are collecting canned tuna.

## OPEN INVITATIONS

### Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study is a weekly meeting where men of all ages and generations gather to ground themselves in the Holy Scripture. As men try to navigate the stresses and complexities of this modern world and daily life, Men's Breakfast is a place for community, prayer and fellowship through the sharing of God's Holy word. Come by as your schedule permits.

**Tuesdays, 7 a.m., in the Fireside Room**

### Lectionary Scripture Discussion

A lectionary is a collection of readings or selections from the Scriptures, arranged and intended for proclamation during the worship of the people of God. The lectionary provides a guide to those who wish to read, study, and pray the Bible in tune with the church's prayer and preaching. Center your mind by joining the conversation! The coffee is hot and the discussion is engaging. Come and go as you need – and prepare for worship with deeper insight and understanding.

**Sundays: 9 – 9:45 a.m., in the Fireside Room**

*For more information on these events, or to learn about our ministries and missions, go to [www.santamonicaumc.org](http://www.santamonicaumc.org).*

## LOOKING FORWARD

### Parent's Date Night & Kids Fun Night

A safe and fun night for the kids and a Valentine's date for parents!

**When:** February 15, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

**Where:** Second Floor Education Building

**Cost:** \$25/child + \$10 for each additional sibling

**Ages:** 3 years through 5th grade (if interested in childcare for 2 and under, please let us know.)

While parents enjoy an evening out, children are provided a safe and fun night of games, activities and crafts, pizza dinner, and a movie with our trained childcare. Pre-registration is required: To sign up, register online no later than February 13, 6 p.m., and you will receive a confirmation email with details for the evening including drop-off/pick-up information. For questions, please contact Tricia Guerrero, Director of Children and Youth Ministry at: [t.guerrero@santamonicaumc.org](mailto:t.guerrero@santamonicaumc.org), or 310-393-8258 (ext. 104).

**Friday, February 15, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., in the First UMC Education Bldg.**

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