

August 27, 2023

13th Sunday After Pentecost • 9:00 am 304 E Spruce Ave Inglewood, CA 90301

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INTROIT

"Speak to My Heart"

Inglewood First Music

Gina Williams *Liturgist*

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

Gracious and loving God,
bless us with your presence as we worship this day.
Bless us with your love
as we grow in love and mature faith.
Bless us with your guidance as we give ourselves to you,
to your church, and to your work in the world. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"Standing On the Promises"

Hymnal #374

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"We Are Not Alone" *Hymnal #883*

Gina Williams

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile & make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen!

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 16:13-20 (Common English Bible)

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13 Now when Jesus came to the area of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the

Human One is?"

14 They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the other prophets."

15 He said, "And what about you? Who do you say that I am?"

16 Simon Peter said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

17 Then Jesus replied, "Happy are you, Simon son of Jonah, because no human has shown this to you. Rather my Father who is in heaven has shown you.

18 I tell you that you are Peter. And I'll build my church on this rock. The gates of the underworld won't be able to stand against it.

19 I'll give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven. Anything you fasten on earth will be fastened in heaven. Anything you loosen on earth will be loosened in heaven."

20 Then he ordered the disciples not to tell anybody that he was the Christ.

MESSAGE "On This Rock" Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Gina Williams

INVITATIONAL SONG

"For God So Loved the World"

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PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gina Williams

GOING FORTH

Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

CLOSING HYMN

"How Great Thou Art"

Hymnal #77



TODAY IN WORSHIP: Bravo Maintenance; Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin, *Lead Pastor*; Risa Wheat, *Worship Chairperson*; Tre' Cyrus-Franklin, *Percussion*; Sam Reid, *Pianist*; Tony Greene, *Sound Tech*; Tuutanga Tuihalamaka, *Video Tech*; Gina Williams, *Liturgist*

3 WAYS TO GIVE:

- (1) Mail: Send to Inglewood First UMC, 304 E Spruce Ave, Inglewood, CA 90301
- (2) **Online**: <u>www.inglewoodfirst.org/give</u> or
- (3) Text-to-Give: Text an amount to 84321!

ALTAR FLOWERS

In Loving Memory of Patrick J. McGuire, Given by Jean Pryor and Kathy Dickinson

COMING UP @ INGLEWOOD FIRST UMC / inglewoodfirst.org/calendar/

- We're on our Journey to Build Affordable Housing! Updates @ inglewoodfirst.org/housing.
- Tuesday Zoom Bible Study | 12:00 pm & 4:00 pm
- The Listening. (music sharing group) | www.inglewoodfirst.org/thelistening

CONGREGATIONAL CARE | Submit prayer requests at inglewoodfirst.org/prayer.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS | Arvis Green 8/1, Elecia Wright 8/1, Marlon and Kirstie Baker's Anniversary 8/1, Rev. Jefferson & Rev. Linda Furtado's Anniversary 8/1, Angelo Mack 8/5, Annie Webb 8/5, Celeste Bembry 8/5, D'Vonna Hines 8/7, Woodie & JoAnn Dozier's Anniversary 8/23, remembering Deb Thierry's birthday 8/29, Nhani Cyrus-Franklin 8/30

PRAYER LIST | Family of Rev. Thomas Hill • The Family of Rev. Hilly Hicks • Pastor Victor & Family • Wendy Reynolds & Family • John Cohill & Family • Sam Reid • Jean Pryor • Siosiua Tupou & Family • Elizabeth Payne • End to mass shooting around the country • Elva Herrera • Samuel Howell & Family • Elethea Cunningham & Family (daughter & son-in-law health challenges) • Affordable Housing Project • Craig Erquhart Sr. & Family • Della Greene & Anthony Greene • Stephannie Starr • Shirley Oxley & Family