



INTROIT

“My Favorite Things”

Inglewood First Jazz

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gina Williams
Liturgist

OPENING PRAYER

*Our souls are troubled, Holy One, until they find their rest in you.
When we live in fear of our mortality, help us face the future unafraid.
Write the truth of Christ’s words on our hearts:
“Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it can only be a single seed.
But if it dies, it bears much fruit.”
In our living and in our dying, draw us together with all your people. Amen.*

OPENING HYMN

“Dear Lord, Lead Me Day by Day”

Hymnal #411

PASSING OF THE PEACE

“We Are the Church”

Inglewood First Jazz

English Version:

*I am the church!
You are the church!
We are the church together!
All who follow Jesus
all around the world!
Yes, we’re the church together!*

Spanish Version:

*¡Yo soy la Iglesia!
¡Tú eres la Iglesia!
¡Somos la Iglesia juntos!
¡Todos los que siguen a Jesús
en todo el mundo!
¡Si, somos la Iglesia juntos!*

Tongan Version:

*Ko au koe temipale!
Ko koe koe temipale!
Tautolu koe temipale!
Tau muimui kia Sisu
Tautolu kotoa ‘i mamani
‘Io, ko tautolu koe temipale kakato!*

WOMEN’S HISTORY MOMENT

Epic Center Old School Crew

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST PREACHER

SONG OF PREPARATION

“I’ll Fly Away”

Inglewood First Jazz

SCRIPTURE READING

*John 12:20-33
Common English Bible*

Pastor Akanesi Tupou

20 Some Greeks were among those who had come up to worship at the festival. 21 They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and made a request: “Sir, we want to see Jesus.” 22 Philip told Andrew, and Andrew and Philip told Jesus. 23 Jesus replied, “The time has come for the Human One[a] to be glorified. 24 I assure you that unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it can only be a single seed. But if it dies, it bears much fruit. 25 Those who love their lives will lose them, and those who hate their lives in this world will keep them forever. 26 Whoever serves me must follow me. Wherever I am, there my servant will also be. My Father will honor whoever serves me. 27 “Now I am deeply troubled.[b] What should I say? ‘Father, save me from this time’? No, for this is the reason I have come to this time. 28 Father, glorify your name!” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” 29 The crowd standing there heard and said, “It’s thunder.” Others said, “An angel spoke to him.” 30 Jesus replied, “This voice wasn’t for my benefit but

for yours. 31 Now is the time for judgment of this world. Now this world's ruler will be thrown out. 32 When I am lifted up[c] from the earth, I will draw everyone to me." (33 He said this to show how he was going to die.)

MESSAGE

*"Transformed by Grace:
Navigating Lent's Journey"*

Pastor Akanesi Tupou

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

INVITATIONAL SONG

"I Have A God" (Who Never Fails)

Inglewood First Jazz

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING FORTH

Pastor Akanesi Tupou

POSTLUDE

"Peace"

Inglewood First Jazz



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

4 WAYS TO GIVE:

(1) **Mail:** Send to *Inglewood First UMC, 304 E Spruce Ave, Inglewood, CA 90301*

(2) **Online:** www.inglewoodfirst.org/give or

(3) **Text-to-Give:** Text an amount to **84321!**

(4) **Download the Church App** at www.inglewoodfirst.org/app

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

- **Zoom Bible Study** | Tuesdays @ 12 pm & 7 pm | Sign up at inglewoodfirst.org/biblestudy
 - **Property & Grounds Team Monthly Meeting** | Today at 10:30 am
 - **Choir Rehearsal** | 3rd & 4th Sundays after worship service
 - **Church Council Quarterly Meeting** | Wednesday, March 20th @ 7 pm *Postponed*
 - **Virginia Beckett Food Pantry** | Thursday, March 21st @ 9:45 am - 12 pm
 - **All Church Meeting** | Sunday, March 24th @ 10:30 am *Postponed*
 - **Maundy Thursday Service** | March 28th @ 6pm at Holy Faith Episcopal Church
 - **Black Methodist for Church Renewal Good Friday Service** | March 29 @ 12pm @ Holman UMC
 - **We're on our journey to Build Affordable Housing! Updates** @ inglewoodfirst.org/housing
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CONGREGATIONAL CARE | *Submit prayer requests at inglewoodfirst.org/prayer.*

MARCH BIRTHDAYS | Siosiu Tupou 3/2 • Kirstie Baker 3/3 • Alma Martinez 3/4 • Madison Boyd 3/9 • Lucia Diaz-Fister 3/10 • John Baker 3/14 • Rev. Neema Cyrus-Franklin 3/14 • Rodney Rose 3/15 • Ruby Ayala 3/17 • Bradley Baker 3/20 • Wendy Reynolds 3/22 • Lillye Harbison 3/24 • John Cohill 3/26 • Timothy Tu'uholoaki 3/29

PRAYER LIST | Rokyia Ferguson • Toni Ravens & Candice Callins • Ceasefire in Gaza • Soto-Mack Family • John Cohill • Elizabeth Payne • Elva Herrera • Della Greene & Anthony Greene • Blanche Smith • Stephannie Starr • Houseless Neighbors • Affordable Housing Project