



**March 24, 2024**

**Palm Sunday · 9:00 am**

304 E Spruce Ave Inglewood, CA 90301

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**INTROIT**

*“Overjoyed”*

Inglewood First Music

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Risa Wheat

*Liturgist*

**OPENING PRAYER**

*Jesus, you have walked this road with us many times.  
Guide our steps and keep us close.  
Inspire our worship with your loving presence and work in our lives,  
that your Spirit may flow through our lives  
as we seek to help others  
walk the journey with you. Amen.*

**OPENING HYMN**

*“O How I Love Jesus”*

Hymnal #170

**SCRIPTURE READING**

*Mark 11:1-11  
Common English Bible*

Risa Wheat

*1 When Jesus and his followers approached Jerusalem, they came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives. Jesus gave two disciples a task, 2 saying to them, “Go into the village over there. As soon as you enter it, you will find tied up there a colt that no one has ridden. Untie it and bring it here. 3 If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ say, ‘Its master needs it, and he will send it back right away.’”*

*4 They went and found a colt tied to a gate outside on the street, and they untied it. 5 Some people standing around said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” 6 They told them just what Jesus said, and they left them alone. 7 They brought the colt to Jesus and threw their clothes upon it, and he sat on it. 8 Many people spread out their clothes on the road while others spread branches cut from the fields. 9 Those in front of him and those following were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord! [a] 10 Blessings on the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest!” 11 Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. After he looked around at everything, because it was already late in the evening, he returned to Bethany with the Twelve.*

**INVITATION TO SOUL CARE PRACTICE**

Rev. Neema Cyrus-Franklin

**BREATHING THE BREATH OF LIFE**

**COMMUNITY SONG**

*“Here I Am, Lord”*

Hymnal #593

**Verse 1:**

*I, the Lord of sea and sky  
I have heard my people cry  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save*

**(Refrain:)**

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me  
I will hold your people in my heart*

**Verse 2:**

*I, who made the stars of night  
I will make their darkness bright  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?*

**WORD MADE FLESH: SCRIPTURE EMBODIMENT**

Rev. Neema Cyrus-Franklin

**MEDITATION & REFLECTION**

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**COMMUNITY SONG**

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**Verse 3:**

*I, the Lord of snow and rain  
I have borne my people's pain  
I have wept for love of them  
They turn away*

**PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE**

Rev. Neema Cyrus-Franklin

**CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Risa Wheat

**GOING FORTH**

Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

**POSTLUDE**

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

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**4 WAYS TO GIVE:**

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  - (2) **Online:** [www.inglewoodfirst.org/give](http://www.inglewoodfirst.org/give) or
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- **Zoom Bible Study** | Tuesdays @ 12 pm & 7 pm | Sign up at [inglewoodfirst.org/biblestudy](http://inglewoodfirst.org/biblestudy)
  - **Choir Rehearsal** | 3rd & 4th Sundays @ 10:15am - 10:45am
  - **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](http://inglewoodfirst.org/housing)
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**MARCH BIRTHDAYS** | Siosuia 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 3/28

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