

March 10, 2024

Fourth Sunday in Lent • 9:00 am 304 E Spruce Ave Inglewood, CA 90301

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INTROIT

"Great is Your Mercy"

Inglewood First Music

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

Risa Wheat Liturgist

Creator God, you call us from our busy lives to find knowledge and rest in this holy place.

Center our spirits in your love.

Open our hearts to your transforming word, for we are ready to realign our spirits,

remember your words, and walk in your paths.

Guide us in wisdom and truth as we seek to follow your word. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"When the Saints Go Marching In"

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"We Are Not Alone"

Hymnal #883

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 and 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!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

"We Are the Church"

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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

SONG OF PREPARATION "The Lor

"The Lord Is Blessing Me Right Now"

Inglewood First Music

Patricia Thomas

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 Common English Bible

1 "Give thanks to the Lord because he is good, because his faithful love lasts forever!"

2 That's what those who are redeemed by the Lord say, the ones God redeemed from the power of their enemies,

3 the ones God gathered from various countries, from east and west, north and south.

17 Some of the redeemed were fools because of their sinful ways. They suffered because of their wickedness.

18 They had absolutely no appetite for food; they had arrived at death's gates.

19 So they cried out to the Lord in their distress, and God saved them from their desperate circumstances.

20 God gave the order and healed them; he rescued them from their pit.

21 Let them thank the Lord for his faithful love and his wondrous works for all people.

22 Let them offer thanksgiving sacrifices and declare what God has done in songs of joy!

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

INVITATIONAL SONG "Kum Ba Yah" Hymnal #494

ANNOUNCEMENTS Risa Wheat

"Give Thanks to the Lord"

BENEDICTION Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

POSTLUDE "Autumn Leaves" Inglewood First Music



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

4 WAYS TO GIVE:

MESSAGE

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

(2) **Online**: <u>www.inglewoodfirst.org/give</u>

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

Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

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

ALTAR FLOWERS

In Loving Memory of Harold C. Pryor, Husband, Father, and Grandfather, Given by Jean Pryor & family

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

- Zoom Bible Study | Tuesdays @ 12 pm & 7 pm | Sign up at inglewoodfirst.org/biblestudy
- Finance Team Monthly Meeting | Today at 10:30am
- Choir Rehearsal | 3rd & 4th Sundays after worship service
- Property & Grounds Team Monthly Meeting | Sunday, March 17th at 10:30am
- Church Council Quarterly Meeting | Wednesday, March 20th @ 7pm
- Virginia Beckett Food Pantry | Thursday, March 21st @ 9:45 am 12 pm
- All Church Meeting | Sunday, March 24th @ 10:30am
- Black Methodist for Church Renewal Good Friday Service | March 29th @ 12pm at Holman UMC
- We're on our journey to Build Affordable Housing! Updates @ inglewoodfirst.org/housing

CONGREGATIONAL CARE | Submit prayer requests at <u>inglewoodfirst.org/prayer</u>.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS | Siosiua 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 /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 | 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