



INTROIT

"We Fall Down"

Inglewood First Music

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

Melody Ngaue-Tu'uholoaki
Liturgist

*God of Love, let your Holy Spirit come upon us—
into our hearts, into our minds, and into our souls.*

*Let your presence speak within us—in the languages we speak,
in the ways we live and have our being.*

For we long to hear you, Gracious One, and to understand.

We pray that you would abide in us, that we may abide in you, this day and all days. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"Blessed Be the Ties that Bind"

Hymnal #557

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!*

SONG OF PREPARATION

"Soon and Very Soon"

Hymnal #706

SCRIPTURE

John 15:12-17
Common English Bible

12 This is my commandment: love each other just as I have loved you. 13 No one has greater love than to give up one's life for one's friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15 I don't call you servants any longer, because servants don't know what their master is doing. Instead, I call you friends, because

everything I heard from my Father I have made known to you. 16 You didn't choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you could go and produce fruit and so that your fruit could last. As a result, whatever you ask the Father in my name, he will give you. 17 I give you these commandments so that you can love each other.

MESSAGE "No Greater Love" Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATIONAL SONG "The Blood Would Never Lose Its Power" Inglewood First Music

ANNOUNCEMENTS Melody Ngaue-Tu'uholoaki

BENEDICTION Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

POSTLUDE "My Cherie Amour" Inglewood First Music



TODAY IN WORSHIP: Bravo Maintenance; Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin, *Lead Pastor*; Risa Wheat, *Worship Chairperson*; Sam Reid, *Director of Music & Pianist*; Tre' Cyrus-Franklin, *Percussion*; Max Weiner, *Bass*; Tony Greene, *Sound Tech*; Tootie Tuihalamaka, *Video Tech*; Melody Ngaue-Tu'uholoaki, *Liturgist*

4 WAYS TO GIVE:

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

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

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

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

ALTAR FLOWERS

In Loving Memory of John N. Helmick, Father and Grandfather, given by Jean Pryor and Family

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

- **Zoom Bible Study** | Tuesdays @ 12 pm & 7 pm | Sign up at inglewoodfirst.org/biblestudy
 - **Community Forum: Health Care for Us** | Saturday, May 11 at Holy Faith Episcopal Church @ 10 am
 - **Virginia Beckett Food Pantry** | Thursday, May 16, 2024 @ 9:45 am - 12:00 pm
 - **Choir Rehearsal** | 3rd & 4th Sundays after worship service
 - **SoulCare Sundays Planning Meeting** | 3rd Sundays after worship service
 - **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.*

MAY BIRTHDAYS + ANNIVERSARIES | Jessica Diaz-Fister 5/1, Angela Birdsong 5/2, Rev. Hilly Hicks 5/4, Rev. Victor and Rev. Neema Cyrus-Franklin's Wedding Anniversary 5/9, Happy Mother's Day! 5/12, Rev. Rene and Victor Franklin's Wedding Anniversary 5/13, Mary Ann Swayne 5/17, Michael Wright 5/23, Morgan Wells 5/23, Annette Mack 5/28, Rebecca McCain 5/28

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 • The Wheat Family