



304 E Spruce Ave Inglewood, CA 90301

January 25, 2026

*Soul Care Sunday*

Third Sunday After the Epiphany | 9:00 am

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**INTROIT**

*"My Cherie Amour"*

Inglewood First Music

**WELCOME + GREETINGS**

Risa Wheat

*Liturgist*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*(adapted from Psalm 27:1-4)*

*ONE: The Lord is my light and my salvation— ALL: whom shall I fear?*

*ONE: The Lord is the stronghold of my life— ALL: of whom shall I be afraid?*

*ONE: I am still confident of this: ALL: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.*

*ONE: Wait for the Lord, be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.*

*ALL: The Lord will hide us in the shelter on the day of trouble, and set us high on a rock. The Lord is our light and our salvation; of whom shall we be afraid? Amen!*

**OPENING PRAYER**

*Gracious God, help us to hear Jesus calling us and help us to follow him.*

*In Christ, your kingdom draws near to us, whether we are seeking it or not.*

*When we are caught up in our anguish, you shine a great light in our darkness.*

*When we face days full of trouble, you shelter us.*

*When we are at odds with others, quarreling and breaking apart into factions, you save us with the unity won by Christ through the cross and his resurrection.*

*Whether we face danger or are at ease in our routines— the kingdom of heaven draws near and Jesus says: "Now is the time to follow me." You hear us, God, when we cry out to you.*

*May we hear you this day when you cry out to us. Amen.*

**OPENING HYMN**

*"To God Be the Glory"*

Hymnal #98

**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!*

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 27:1, 4-5  
New International Version

*1 The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid? 4 One thing I ask from the LORD, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple. 5 For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.*

BREATHING THE BREATH OF LIFE

Minister Harmony Lenise

MEDITATION & MOVEMENT

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

COMMUNITY SONG

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

Hymnal #133

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Risa Wheat

BENEDICTION

Rev. Neema Cyrus Franklin

POSTLUDE

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(3) **Text-to-Give:** Text (833) 785-0863

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

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COMING UP @ INGLEWOOD FIRST UMC / [inglewoodfirst.org/calendar](http://inglewoodfirst.org/calendar)

- **Affordable Housing Groundbreaking Coordination Meeting** | Wednesday, January 28 @ 7 pm
- **Groundbreaking Ceremony** | Saturday, February 7 @ 10 am!
- **31-Day Prayer Challenge | Sunday Prayer Check-In w/ Rev. Linda Furtado** | January 25 @ 2pm
- **Zoom Bible Study** | Tuesdays @ 7 pm & Thursdays @ 1 pm.

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CONGREGATIONAL CARE | *Submit prayer requests at [inglewoodfirst.org/prayer](http://inglewoodfirst.org/prayer).*

**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS** | Sheila Clayborn 1/2 • Sara Diaz-Montejano 1/4 • Tony Lowe 1/7 • Nell Walker 1/8 • Zaneta Smith 01/10- Salome Simpson 1/12 • Helen Jenkins 1/12 • Donald Perry 1/18 • Pastor Rey Guevara 1/23 • Victor Franklin, Sr. 1/27 • Meleane Baker 1/28

**PRAYER LIST** | Rev. Gary Williams • J’Slolo Siosiuva Tava Tu’uholoaki • Cisco Rose • Ellis Melendez • Anthony Greene & Family • Family of Lilye Harbison • Quinn Jones & Jonathan Jones • Michelle Taylor Greene • Annie Webb & Monica Webb • Jean H. Pryor • Mary Anne Swayne & son Paul • Elva Herrera & son Daniel • Jennifer Blannon • Patricia Thomas • Jimmie Woods-Gray • Mary Collins • John Cohill • Rokyia Ferguson • Elizabeth Payne • Stephannie Starr • Affordable Housing Project