



INTROIT

"How Great Is Our God"

Inglewood First Music

WELCOME

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CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Through many dangers, toils, and snares,

All: we have already come.

One: Through days of joy and nights of fear,

All: we've traveled this far by faith.

One: Through life, through death,

All: Christ walks with us.

One: We are not alone.

All: Thanks be to God!

One: In this promise,

All: let's worship God together.

OPENING PRAYER

Holy One, come to us now in this time of worship.

Be present in our lives, that you may hear our cries, and speak to our souls.

Give us your strength, that we may live all the days of our lives in steadfast faith and hope.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"Amazing Grace"

Hymnal #378

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 & serve others, to seek justice & resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified & risen, our

judge & 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!

¡Sigamos a Jesús

en todo el mundo!

¡Si, somos la Iglesia juntos!

Tongan Version:

Koau 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

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Hymnal #618

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 21:8-19

New Revised Standard Version

Rev. Dr. Jennifer Oliver

8The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. 9But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. 10So she said to Abraham, 'Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.' 11The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. 12But God said to Abraham, 'Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named after you. 13As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.' 14So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. 15When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. 16Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, 'Do not let me look on the death of the child.' And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. 17And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, 'What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. 18Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.' 19Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

MESSAGE

"Young People's Cry"

Rev. Dr. Jennifer Oliver

HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"

Hymnal #526

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Risa Wheat

BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Jennifer Oliver

POSTLUDE

"Softly As a Morning Sunrise"

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(2) **Online:** www.inglewoodfirst.org/give
- (3) **Text-to-Give:** Text an amount to **(833)785-0863!**
(4) **Download the Church App** at inglewoodfirst.org/app



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

- **July Birthday Shout Out** | Wednesday, July 8, 2026 @ 6:30 pm
- **Church Council Zoom Mtg** | Wednesday, July 8, 2026 @ 7:00 pm
- **Yin Yoga & The Psalms** | Thursdays, July 9 & 23, from 6:30–8:00 PM
- **Zoom Bible Study** | Tuesdays @ 7:00 pm

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

JULY BIRTHDAYS | Lochlan Brown 7/2, Monica Webb 7/2, Rev. Howard Ashford 7/4, Daniel Wheat 7/12, Robert Ferguson 7/15, Pastor Lesa Smith 7/18, Dana Ferguson 7/22, Anthony Greene 7/24, Rev. Linda Furtado 7/25, Salvador Morales 7/25, Kerri Hill 7/26

PRAYER LIST | Jean de Soley & son Reinaldo • Kerri Hill • Rev. Gary Williams • J'Slolo Siosaia Tava Tu'uholoaki • Cisco Rose • Ellis Melendez • 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