Inglewood first united methodist church

November 8, 2026

24th Sunday after Pentecost* · *9:00 am

304 E Spruce Ave Inglewood, CA 90301

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INTROIT *"We Fall Down"* Inglewood First Music

WELCOME Elethea Cunningham, *Liturgist*

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The God of our ancestors has called us here.
Many: We are witnesses.
One: The wisdom of the ages has called us here.
Many: We are witnesses.
One: The choice to follow God has called us here.
Many: We are witnesses.
One: The Lord of life has called us here.
Many: We are witnesses.

OPENING PRAYER

Promise of the ages, we come to you this day to choose the ways of life.
Grant us patience in our waiting, as we watch for signs of your coming kingdom.
We will teach our children your ways,
and pass on the lessons of life and death we have learned. Amen.

OPENING HYMN *"Give Me A Clean Heart"* AAHH #461

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"* Inglewood First Music

English Version:	***Spanish Version:***	***Tongan Version:***
I am the church!	*¡Yo soy la Iglesia!*	*Koau koe temipale!*
You are the church!	*¡Tú eres la Iglesia!*	*Ko koe koe temipale!*
We are the church together!	*¡Somos la Iglesia juntos!*	*Tautolu koe temipale!*
All who follow Jesus	*¡Sigamos a Jesús*	*Tau muimui kia Sisu*
all around the world!	*en todo el mundo!*	*Tautolu kotoa 'i mamani*
Yes, we're the church together!	*¡Si, somos la Iglesia juntos!*	*'Io, ko tautolu koe temipale kakato*

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST PREACHER Risa Wheat

SONG OF PREPARATION *"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"* UMH #64

SCRIPTURE ***Matthew 25:1-13*** *New Revised Standard Version* Minister Jason Floyd

1 "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3 When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, 4 but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. 5 As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them

became drowsy and slept. 6 But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' 7 Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. 8 The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' 9 But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' 10 And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. 11 Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' 12 But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' 13 Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

MESSAGE ***"The Wise"*** Minister Jason Floyd

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

INVITATIONAL SONG *"Oh How I Love Jesus"* UMH #170

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

OFFERING Elethea Cunningham

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION Minister Jason Floyd

POSTLUDE *"We Fall Down"* Inglewood First Music

Announcements
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WAYS TO GIVE:

(1) **Mail:** Send to *Inglewood First UMC, 300 E Hillcrest, PO BOX 1751, Inglewood, CA 90308*
(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**
(5) *Place your offering in the collection plate*

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

- **Sunday Worship Check In |** Scan the QR code to let us know you are here →
- **Church Council Zoom Mtg |** Wednesday, November 11 @ 7:00 pm
- **121st Church Anniversary! |** Sunday, November 15, 2026
- **Mark your calendars!** Sunday, November 22, will be a very special Soul Care Sunday. Please plan on attending either in person or online & invite a friend.
- **Selah Sunday |** November 29, 2026
- **Charge Conference** is on December 6. All reports are due by December 1st
- **Zoom Bible Study |** Tuesdays @ 7:00 pm

CONGREGATIONAL CARE | ***Submit prayer requests at inglewoodfirst.org/prayer.***

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS + ANNIVERSARIES | Mrs. Elizaberth Payne 11/2, Manu Tu'uholoaki & Jordin Murrin's Anniversary 11/11, William Alex Howard 11/15, Erroll McMillan 11/16, Elva Herrera 11/17, Elizabeth Baker 11/17, Mrs. Della Greene (in remembrance) 11/18, Melody Ngaue-Tu'uholoaki 11/19, Tootie & Finau Veikoso's Anniversary 11/20, Ed & Risa Wheat's Anniversary 11/21, Neita Tupe 11/23, Pastor Monalisa & Pastor Langi Lolohea's Anniversary 11/24, Marlon Baker 11/26

PRAYER LIST | Family of Mary Anne Swayne • Gina Williams • Anthony Greene • Chris Weishaar • Ron Fontenot • Sturdivant Family • Yolanda McMillan • Yvonne Figueroa & Family • 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 • Elva Herrera & son Daniel • Jennifer Blannon • Patricia Thomas • Jimmie Woods-Gray • Mary Collins • John Cohill • Rokyia Ferguson • Elizabeth Payne • Stephannie Starr • Affordable Housing Project