January 15, 2017 • 10:00 a.m. Second Sunday after Epiphany Human Relations Sunday

# The Church at Worship

This booklet contains all the words and music you need to participate in today's service. In addition, announcements about the congregation's activities and upcoming events may be found toward the back of the booklet.

Large print & Braille hymnals are available. Please contact our Ushers if you have a need.

You are encouraged to check-in, post, tweet or share your thoughts on today's service using #FUMCPasadena.

To enhance the worship experience, please be sure to switch the ringer on cell phones or pagers to "silent" or "vibrate."

Please note: No one under the age of 18 may sit in the first row of the balcony, even with parents.

Portions said by all are printed in **bold type**. "+" indicates to stand in body or spirit as you are able.

For all of our guests who are here for the first time, we have a special gift for you! Please look for the Information Table in Fellowship Hall.

# New to First United Methodist Church? We are glad you're here! Text "Welcome" to 626.624.4157

This morning we welcome guest preacher **Rev. Dr. Kah-Jin Jeffrey Kuan** who is the 7th President and Professor of Hebrew Bible at Claremont School of Theology. He began his tenure on July 1, 2013. This morning he will help us to consider what it means to be disciples in God's complex, diverse and beautiful world.

As a theological educator, Dr. Kuan is a strong proponent of religious pluralism and passionately committed to justice issues in the global and local contexts. As a biblical scholar, he has long been a visible advocate for LGBT equality in church and society. Since the early 1990s, he has been teaching against the misuse of biblical texts to exclude lesbian and gay Christians.

#### WE GATHER TOGETHER

PRELUDE He Leadeth Me Gordon Young (1919-1998)

Aaron Shows, organist

**TOLLING OF THE BELL** 

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

Led by Barbara Gorton

Come and see, come and see!

We come to see for ourselves who this Jesus person is.

Come and see, come and see!

We come with open hearts to experience Jesus.

Come and see, come and see!

We come to deepen our relationship with Jesus.

Come and see, come and see!

We come to follow Jesus! Amen.



# + OPENING PRAYER (unison)

God of revelation and epiphany—
Through the words of the prophets
you have shown us the world
of your dreaming and longing:
a world built on justice, overflowing with plenty,
and crowned with joy.
And through the coming of Emmanuel,
his living and loving, his words and actions,
you have shown us how such a world might be fashioned.
Help us, like Jesus, to always be ready to live generously,
love expansively, speak boldly and act courageously,
that the Kin-dom of your dreaming, may become
the present reality of all the peoples of this world. Amen.

#### + SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of God is here to stay.

Thanks be to God.

All are invited to share the peace with those around you.

## TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS I Am the Light of the World

As young ones gather in the Chancel, we sing together a proclamation of faith, repeating it as they depart for their Music Program.



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#### WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 42:1-9

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God." And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength— he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

After the lesson: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

MISSION WITNESS

Accompanying Foster Families

Barbara Gorton

+GOSPEL LESSON

John 1:29-42

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

After the lesson: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** 

I Am Becoming...A Light to The Nations

Rev. Dr. leffrey Kuan

#### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven:
hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.

## SHARING OUR TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

#### OFFERTORY

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

arr. Eric Nelson

Mary Davis, flute; David Garrett, Cello

I What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain:

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms. O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;
O how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]

E. A Hoffman (1839-1929)

#### + RESPONSE

Wash, O God, Our Sons & Daughters (verse 3)

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+BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** 

Toccata Pontificale

Gordon Young (1919-1998)

<u>Resources:</u> Call to Worship: adapted, <u>www.re-worship.blogspot.ca/2014/01/call-to-worship-come-and-see.html</u>; Opening Prayer: adapted, <u>www.christianaid.org.uk/resources/churches/prayer/church-seasons.aspx?Page=1</u>

# THIS SUNDAY'S LECTIONARY READINGS FOR PERSONAL STUDY

Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; I Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

#### **LEADING IN WORSHIP TODAY:**

Clergy: Rev. Sandra K. Olewine, Rev. Gregory Norton & Rev. Connie Millsap Worship Leader: David Nieto Musicians: Aaron Shows, Organist; Chancel Choir; Mary Davis, Flute; David Garrett, Cello Acolytes: David Nieto, Zoe Perez,
Jason Rogers, Emilee Klimuck
Greeters: Jim Doyel, Wanda Gae Stefansson,
Christy Bootjer, Susan Rogers
Audio/Video: Mike Underwood, Alexandra Houck,
Andreas Koese, Bill Stanton, Henry Dyson, Jen
Pino. Tod Cole. and Brian Hendricks

#### **CHURCH FACILITY HOLIDAY CLOSURE**

Church facilities will be closed in celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr's Birthday on Monday, January 16. We will return to normal office hours on Tuesday, January 17.

# **TODAY AT FUMC**

January 15, 2017

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

• SpiritSeekers, 8:50 a.m. (Church Lounge)

- Youth Sunday School, 9:00 a.m. (Jr. & Sr. High Lounges)
- Family Breakfast & Bible Stories, 9:00 a.m. (Chapel)

Childcare is available in Wesley Hall (Room 104) starting at 9:00 a.m.

#### 10:00 A.M. WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY

Children will be dismissed to their music program (Rooms 200 & 301) after Time for Young Christians

## 11:15 A.M. COFFEE HOUR

Join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, lemonade & fellowship. We serve **fair trade coffee** which certifies that small coffee farmers receive a fair price.

### **MEETINGS & ACTIVITES**

- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 9:15 a.m. (Sanctuary)
- Youth Bell Choir Rehearsal, 11:30 a.m. (Bell Room)
- Youth Sunday of Service, 11:30 a.m. (Off-Site)
- Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal, 12:30 p.m. (Bell Room)
- Youth Council, 4:30 p.m. (Sr. High Lounge)

- Youth Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. (Choir Room)
- Questers Fellowship, 6:30 p.m. (Church Lounge)
- Disciple's Path Class, 7:00 p.m. (Library)
- Disciple Fast Track Class, 7:00 p.m. (Room 205)

## THIS WEEK AT FUMC

# Monday, January 16 - MLK Jr's Birthday

FACILITIES CLOSED TODAY

# Tuesday, January 17

- Social Service Office & Norma's Nook Hours, 10:00 a.m. (Great Hall & Norma's Nook)
- Children & Family Night, 6:30 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
- Boy Scouts, 7:00 p.m. (Scout Room)
- Home Group, 7:00 p.m. (Off-Site)
- Young Adults, 7:30 p.m. (Aldersgate Room)

## Wednesday, January 18

- Prayer Quilt Ministry, 9:00 a.m. (Church Lounge)
- Generous Resource Ministry Area Meeting, 7:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

#### Thursday, January 19

- Pastor Sandy's Lectionary Study, 12:00 p.m. (Church Lounge)
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m. (Choir Room)
- Dulcet Singers Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m. (Chapel)

# Saturday, January 21

- Prayer Quilt Ministry, 9:30 a.m. (Church Lounge)
- Third@First Concert, 4:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

#### Sunday, January 22

- SpiritSeekers, 8:55 a.m. (Church Lounge)
- Family Breakfast & Bible Stories, 9:00 a.m. (Chapel)
- Youth Sunday School, 9:00 a.m. (Jr./Sr. High Lounges)
- Agape Fellowship, 9:00 a.m. (Room 205)
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 9:15 a.m. (Sanctuary)
- Sunday Worship, 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
- Coffee Hour, 11:30 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)
- Youth Bell Choir Rehearsal, 11:30 a.m. (Bell Room)
- Turn-A-Page Book Club, 11:30 a.m. (Church Lounge)
- Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal, 12:30 p.m. (Bell Room)
- Youth Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. (Choir Room)
- United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF)
   Dinner & Program, 6:45 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
- Disciple's Path Class, 7:00 p.m. (Library)
- Disciple Fast Track Class, 7:00 p.m. (Room 205)

# Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors

We are a Christian community seeking intentionally to welcome **all** persons, regardless of sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, and education, socio-economic or marital status. We practice God's ministry of reconciliation through worship, devotion, compassion, and justice for all who have known the pain of exclusion and discrimination. Our greatest challenge and only hope is to receive and share God's all-encompassing love.

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# **News at First**

January 15, 2017

#### **NEW HERE?**

• Welcome to FUMC Pasadena! We're so glad you're here. Sunday mornings are central to our congregation's life as people of all ages gather to learn and to worship together, seeking inspiration to live as partners with God and to follow Jesus in transforming the world. Learning opportunities are available before and after worship, as well as during the week. Numerous short-term and ongoing ministries of service to the world around us are available for all ages. For more information: please text "Welcome" to 626.624.4157; stop by the Welcome Table in Fellowship Hall; or contact Rev. Connie Millsap, Minister of Hospitality and Discipleship, cmillsap@fumcpasadena.org

#### **GET INVOLVED**

- Pasadena Bad Weather Shelter: We are on call for Pasadena's Bad Weather Shelter (BWS) every Tuesday during the season (through March I) when the shelter is activated by cold or rain. Our team of IO-I2 needs to arrive no later than 6:30 p.m. Contact Mikala Rahn if you want to participate: mikala@publicworksinc.org or 626.688.7961
- Recycled Goods for Advent Workshop: Advent
  Workshop welcomes your old Christmas Cards and
  metal wreath rings (with the greenery cut off) for use
  at future workshops. A box to collect these
  donations will be available during Coffee Hour
  beginning January 8th.
- Road Closure: Colorado Blvd. Will be closed for the Pasadena Half Marathon and 5K on Sunday, January
   22. Please plan accordingly as you attend worship that morning. Learn more at pasadenahalf.com.
- United Methodist Women: Monday, January 23
   UMW will meet from Ip.m. to 2:30 p.m. Charlene
   Reichert will present an interacting program with the subject being Pictures & Prayers.

### **MUSIC NOTES**

• Third@First Concert: Join us on Saturday, January 21, at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary for Oh, Freedom! The Holman Choir, from Holman United Methodist Church in Los Angeles, celebrates the witness and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with a concert of spirituals and gospel music. Admission is free and a reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall

#### **GROW IN FAITH**

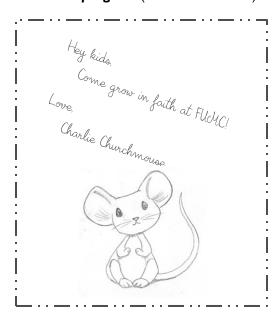
- Foster Care Project Training: At the end of January, training for new coaches will be held over two weekends: Friday, January 27, 5:00 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, January 28, 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. and Friday, February 3, 5:00 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, February 4, 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. Location: Works (90 North Daisy, Pasadena, 91107). Dinner on Fridays is provided as is breakfast and lunch on Saturdays. If you are interested, contact Mikala Rahn at Mikala@publicworksinc.org or (626) 688-7961.
- Turn-A-Page Book Club: Please join Turn-a-Page Book Club on Sunday, January 22, at 11:30 a.m. in the Church Lounge to discuss Alexander Hamilton by Ron Chernow. Come and join in a lively discussion and fellowship even if you haven't finished the book. A light lunch will be served.
- Mom's Get-Away: On Saturday, February 4, in Fellowship Hall, from 3:00 5:00 p.m., all moms with children under 12 are invited for a time "away" as Pastor Sandy hosts Steeped in Grace a Mother's Afternoon Tea. Child care will be provided. Reservations are necessary. Please contact the Church Office at: office@fumcpasadena.org or 626.796.0157; or Heidi Neuroth at: hneuroth@outlook.com by January 25.
- North District Leadership Training: January 28, from 8:45 a.m. 3:30 p.m., at Northridge UMC. Cost is \$15 per person and childcare is available. Details and registration information to follow.
   http://www.calpacnorthdistrict.org/upcomingevents/

#### KIDS CORNER

Childcare begins at 9:00 a.m. in Wesley Hall (room 104) in the Green Street Education Building.

Family Breakfast & Bible Stories starts at 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel
Children are dismissed to their music program (Rooms 200 & 301) after Time for Young Christians

• Children's Winter Camp: for children in 1st-6th grades, will be held at Camp Sky Meadows on January 21 & 22. On Saturday, we will meet in the church parking lot at 9:00 a.m. to carpool together. The cost is \$50.00, per child, and \$35.00 per parent/counselor. The registration deadline is Tuesday, January 17, 5:00 p.m. Brochures, registration and health forms are in the Fellowship Hall, Children's Education bulletin board or contact the Church Office: 626.796.0157 or office@fumcpasadena.org



• Tuesday Children & Family Night: Children in Kindergarten through sixth grade (younger kids are invited when accompanied by an adult) are welcome to join in the fun every Tuesday night from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall for a light dinner and activities. This month's theme is "Transformations in the Kitchen," so be ready to have some fun! If a child brings a friend, both children will get a gift.

#### PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

We lift up to God these prayers...

newly added: Liz Brummel, Brittney Medina

for healing:

Harry Audley, David Beach, Susan Beckett, Joan Bothast, Jane Bousel, Brent Bowers, David Brooks, Eric Brubaker, Nancy Bumb, Marcus Chone, Peggy Cox, David Cupp, Willa Dalrymple, Juliet DeGuzman, Mike Devlin, Emily Dommel, Joyce Dorn, Penny Eiker, Nancy Elrod, Brandi Figari, Carlos & Katie Figari, Khan Fischer, Steve Gothold, Sofia Hain, Marilyn Lemp, Fidella Mackey, Viola Mallory, Rev. George Mann, Rev. Alan Mark, Dick McDonald, Yolanda Peña, Oswaldo Ramirez, Susan Rehm, Tim Sun, Carol Tavis, Rev. Mark Ulrickson, Howard Underwood, Phyllis Underwood, Deb Waskowiak, Becky Williams, Eric Wolf, Benny Woodell, Sarah Wright

In Memoriam: Anne Zeiss; Virginia Miscevich, grandmother of Ali Miscevich, friend of Kendra Millsap for our district: Piru UMC; Santa Maria Betheel Korean Ministry

for the community: prayers for the poor, homeless, incarcerated, for those seeking employment, and for those suffering from mental illness and addiction

for refugees the world over who are the victims of war, terror and disaster. Help us respond to their need in love

for the just resolution of conflict for the people of Afghanistan, Congo, Darfur, Egypt, Georgia, Haiti, Iran, Iraq, Kenya, Lebanon, Libya, North Korea, Pakistan, Syria, Tibet, Tunisia, Ukraine, Yemen, Zimbabwe, and Israel, Gaza & Palestine

To ensure that those in need of prayers get them when they are needed most, names will be posted on the prayer list for one month after receiving a prayer request. Names can be added again by contacting the church office if prayers are still desired.

#### **CHURCH STAFF AND LEADERSHIP**

Bishop of the Los Angeles Area Bishop Grant J. Hagiya Superintendent of the North District Rev. lim Powell Rev. Sandra K. Olewine Pastor Pastor Emeritus Rev. George Mann Minister of Music & Communication Rev. Gregory Norton Rev. Connie Millsap Minister of Hospitality & Discipleship Organist **Aaron Shows** Director of Cantate Choir Chrissa Hayes Director of Cherub Choir Eydie Alyson Director of Handbells Megan Goldstein Head Usher Danny Carrera Head Greeter Mary Davis Tim Sun **Business Manager** Office Manager Maggie Audley Director of Youth Ministry Philip Butler Communications Coordinator Steven Vredenburgh Librarian Alex Kosztowny Minister of Welcome & Sexton Livingstone Zan Passionate Worship Ministry Leader Paul Audley Extravagant Generosity Ministry Leader J.P. Harris Risk-Taking Mission Ministry Leader Rosalie Niemann Intentional Faith Development Ministry Leader Mikala Rahn Church Council Chair Priscilla Baca Vision 2015 Leader Susan Rogers Video Ministry Leaders John Atkinson David Lohr Michael Underwood Kris Youngstrom

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Rev. Olewine	Prep Day	8:30a.m-12p.m.	1:30-5p.m.	8:30a.m12p.m.	Day Off
Rev. Norton	9a.m1p.m.	9a.m I p.m.	9a.m1p.m.	9a.m 1 p.m.	Day Off
Rev. Millsap		9a.m3p.m.			

\*\*Appointments can be made throughout the week

# **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday – Friday 9a.m. – 5p.m. (closed for lunch, *usually* 12:30p.m. – 1:30p.m.)

Closed for major religious & federal holidays

Today's Human Relations Sunday Offering strengthens outreach to communities in the United States and Puerto Rico and encourages social justice and work with at-risk youth. Your gifts help to build community across all races and peoples. Please use the enclosed envelope to give to this special offering.