

**February 4, 2018 • 10:00 a.m.**  
Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

# Faith Seeking Understanding



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## You Are Welcome Here



Some of us are lifelong Methodists, others from different traditions and some from no religious background at all. We believe each of us is growing into the person God created us to be. We value the examples of those who have gone before us (tradition and scripture), the use of our minds (reason) and hearts (experience) as we seek to understand God's intention for our lives. When faith is shared from a breadth of experiences and identities our community is richer.

Since 2011, First UMC has been a part of the Reconciling Ministries Network, a national group of United Methodists that intentionally welcomes all persons, regardless of sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, and education, socio-economic or marital status.

## Following Worship Today

Join us in Fellowship Hall for coffee and lemonade before choosing an adult or youth learning opportunity at 11:15 a.m. We serve fair trade coffee which certifies that small coffee farmers receive a fair price.

- **Sunday Conversation:**

Rev. Sandra Olewine leads a conversation about the third leg of the Wesleyan Quadrilateral, "Experience." In room 205.



- **Agape Fellowship** Parents of young children, meets in Aldersgate room.
- **Youth Sunday School** (grade 7-12): Meets in room 207.

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

got  
kids?



### Nursery Care (Infant - 4 years old)

Nursery care is available in Wesley Hall every Sunday from 9:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

### Child Check In (PreK - 6th Grade)

Children in Pre-K through 6th grade who will participate in our Children's Program need to be signed in by a parent or guardian. If the worship service has not begun, please sign your child in at the Child Check-In Table at the west parking lot entrance. If the service has begun, you can sign your child in at any point in the children's schedule below.

### Children's Schedule (PreK - 6th Grade)

- 10:00 a.m. Worship - Children begin worship with their families in the Sanctuary
- 10:10 a.m. Time for Young Christians - Children are invited to come forward in the Sanctuary for a Children's Sermon
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School - Children's leaders walk the children to Sunday School in Room 201
- 11:00 a.m. Music & Snack - Children go from Sunday School to Music where they sing, play instruments, and get a snack.
- 12:00 p.m. Children will be brought to Great Hall to be signed out and to join their parents for Rise Against Hunger.

Need help? Have Questions?

Go to the Children's Ministry Office on the south end of the building and a volunteer will be glad to help you!

# THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

To enhance the worship experience, please be sure to switch the ringer on cell phones or pagers to “silent” or “vibrate.”  
Portions said by all are printed in **bold type**. “+” indicates to stand in body or spirit as you choose.

## WE GATHER TOGETHER

PRELUDE

*Andante Pastorale*

Thomas Adams (1785-1858)

Aaron Shows, organist

+ CALL TO WORSHIP (based on *Isaiah 40, Psalm 140*)

Led by Susan Rogers

Gather us in, the brokenhearted and the joyful.

**Gather us in, the weak and the strong.**

Gather us in, the fearful and the brave.

**Gather us in, the young and the old.**

Gather us in, to sing of God’s works.

**Gather us in, to praise Jesus Christ.**

Gather us in, to worship and wonder.

**Gather us in, to know of God’s love.**

+ OPENING HYMN

*Gather Us In*

TFWS 2236



1. Here in this place the new light is stream - ing; now is the dark - ness van - ished a - way;  
2. We are the young, our lives are a mys - tery. We are the old who yearn for your face.  
3. Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter; here we will take the bread of new birth.  
4. Not in the dark of build - ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en, light years a - way:



see in this space our fears and our dream - ings brought here to you in the  
We have been sung through - out all of his - tory called to be light to the  
Here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters, call us a - new to be  
here in this place the new light is shin - ing; now is the king - dom and



light of this day. \_\_\_\_\_ Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en;  
whole hu - man race. \_\_\_\_\_ Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty;  
salt for the earth. \_\_\_\_\_ Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion;  
now is the day. \_\_\_\_\_ Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er;



gath - er us in, the blind and the lame; call to us now, and  
gath - er us in, the proud and the strong; give us a heart, so  
give us to eat the bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and  
gath - er us in and make us your own; gath - er us in, all



we shall a - wak - en; we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
meek and so low - ly; give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.  
teach us to fash - ion lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
peo - ples to - geth - er, fire \_\_\_\_\_ of love in our flesh and our bone.

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY (unison)

**Gracious God, hear our songs.  
Gather us in as one people,  
that we may worship you as one body.  
Heal our broken hearts and bind up our wounds,  
that we may come into your presence healthy and whole.  
As we seek your wisdom, help us to discern your greatness,  
as we honor the power and glory of your love. Amen.**

+ WELCOME AND SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Rev. Sandra Olewine

*All children are invited to come forward for the Time for Young Christians.  
As the children come forward and later as they depart for Sunday School, we sing together:*



This lit - tle light of mine, I'm gon - na let it shine,  
this lit - tle light of mine, I'm gon - na let it shine,  
this lit - tle light of mine, I'm gon - na let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

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## WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD

### + GOSPEL LESSON

*Mark 1:29-39*

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God**

### ANTHEM

*All That Hath Life and Breath*

René Clausen (b. 1953)  
Chancel Choir  
Lisa Eden, soprano soloist

All that hath life and breath praise ye the Lord, shout to the Lord, Alleluia!  
Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving, Alleluia, praise Him!  
Praise the Lord with joyful song, Alleluia.  
Sing to the Lord a new-made song, praise His name, Alleluia.  
Unto Thee, O Lord, have I made supplication,  
and cried unto the rock of my salvation;  
But Thou hast heard my voice, and renewed my weary spirit.  
Praise to the Lord the Almighty the King of creation,  
O my soul praise Him for He is my health and salvation.  
All that hath life and breath praise ye the Lord, Alleluia.  
Praise the Lord with joyful song! Shout to the Lord, Alleluia.  
Praise Him! Laud Him! Alleluia!

—Adapted from Psalm 96 and Psalm 22

### MEDITATION

*Experience Counts*

*Rev. Sandra Olewine*

# WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Gregory Norton

SHARING OUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

OFFERTORY

*Communion Hymn*

David M. Kellermeyer  
*Sounds of the Risen Son Youth Choir*

Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,  
as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea;  
beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord;  
my spirit pants for thee, O Living Word!

Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, to me, to me,  
as thou didst bless the bread by Galilee;  
then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall;  
and I shall find my peace, my all in all.

Thou art the bread of life, O Lord, to me,  
thy holy Word the truth that saveth me;  
give me to eat and live with thee above;  
teach me to love thy truth, for thou art love.

—Mary A. Lathbury, 1877

+ PRESENTATION HYMN

*For the Life That You Have Given*

For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in Christ made known,  
with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these gifts that are your own:  
here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es; heart and mind and strength we bring;  
give us grace to love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

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+ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*The Pastor continues to give thanks, remembering God's acts of salvation, and concludes:*

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow - er and might, Heav - en and earth are full  
of your glo - - - ry. Ho - san - na! Ho -  
san - - - - na in the high -  
est. Blest is the one who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na! Ho -  
san - - - - na in the high - - - - est.

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*The Pastor continues, concluding with:*

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come a -  
gain. Christ has died, Christ is  
ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

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*The Pastor continues, concluding with:*

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, O God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## 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.**

## BREAKING THE BREAD AND GIVING THE BREAD & CUP

**\*\*Gluten-Free Communion wafers are available at the two front center stations\*\***

*In the United Methodist Church, all who love God and are striving to love their neighbor are invited to share in this holy meal.*

*If you are unable to come forward, please let an usher know, so we can serve you in your seat.*

*We receive communion by intinction: accepting a piece of bread and dipping it in the cup.*

**Please follow the direction of the ushers, waiting for them to dismiss your row.**

Inside these walls, freedom come.  
Come, one and all.  
Come for the healing; we will pray for healing.  
Come for the victory; we will share the victory.  
Come with your burden; we will share your burden.  
Come with your sorrow; we will share your sorrow.  
Come if you're guilty; we are all guilty.  
Come for forgiveness; we all need forgiveness.  
Sing it away. Pray it away. Hallelujah!

*This anthem is part of the Chancel Choir's month-long celebration of Black History Month.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**WE GO INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE**

## + HYMN

*I Come With Joy*

1. I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and free, \_\_\_\_\_  
2. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His pres - ence, al - ways near, \_\_\_\_\_  
3. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has done, \_\_\_\_\_

the life of Je - sus to re - call, in love laid down for me, \_\_\_\_\_  
is in such friend - ship bet - ter known; we see and praise him here, \_\_\_\_\_  
we'll go with joy, — to give the world the love that makes us one, \_\_\_\_\_

in love laid down — for me.  
we see and praise — him here.  
the love that makes — us one.

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## + BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*Toccata on O God Our Help In Ages Past*

Michael Burkhardt (b. 1957)

**Call to Worship & Prayer of the Day:** [Mary Scifres, re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/01/call-to-worship-isaiah-40-psalm-147.html](http://MaryScifres.re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/01/call-to-worship-isaiah-40-psalm-147.html)

**LEADING IN WORSHIP TODAY:**

Clergy: Rev. Sandra K. Olewine,  
Rev. Gregory Norton &  
Rev. Jennifer Chapman  
Worship Leader: Susan Rogers  
Musicians: Aaron Shows, Organist  
Chancel Choir  
Sounds of the Risen Son Youth Choir  
Melissa Brassard, Accompanist

Communion Stewards: Mary Jane Lambert, Maddie Rahn,  
Jackson Rogers, Henry Dyson, Emma Black, Josiah Sun  
Greeters: Susan Rogers, Wanda Gae Stefansson,  
Melanie Summers, & Steve Summers  
Audio/Video: John Atkinson, Dave Lohr, Jen Pino,  
Mike Underwood, Walter Woods & Kris Youngstrom

## **TODAY AT FUMC**

### **February 4, 2018**

#### **MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES**

- SpiritSeekers, 8:55 a.m. (Church Lounge)
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 9:15 a.m. (Sanctuary)
- Coffee & Conversation, 11:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)
- Youth Bell Choir Rehearsal, 12:00 p.m. (Bell Room)
- Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal, 12:45 p.m. (Bell Room)

## **THIS WEEK AT FUMC**

### **February 5 - 11, 2018**

#### **Monday, February 5**

- M&M's Study Group, 10:30 a.m. (Library)
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
- Dulcet Singers Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m. (Chapel)

#### **Tuesday, February 6**

- Social Service Office Hours, 10:00 a.m. (Great Hall)
- Moxie Matters, 7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)
- Home Group, 7:00 p.m. (Off-Site)

#### **Wednesday, February 7**

- Prayer Quilt Ministry, 9:30 a.m. (Church Lounge)

#### **Thursday, February 8**

- Yarn Ministry, 9:30 a.m. (Church Lounge)
- Pastor Sandy's Lectionary Study, 12:00 p.m. (Church Lounge)
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m. (Choir Room)

#### **Friday, February 9**

- Islamic Center of So. Cal. Prayer Service, 12:30 p.m. (Church Lounge)
- St. Olaf Choir, 7:30 p.m. (Sanctuary)

#### **Saturday, February 10**

- United Methodist Men, 8:00 a.m. (Church Lounge)
- Charge Conference/Leadership Retreat, 9:00 a.m. (Church Lounge)

#### **Sunday, February 11**

- SpiritSeekers, 8:55 a.m. (Church Lounge)
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 9:15 a.m. (Sanctuary)
- Sunday Worship, 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
- Coffee & Conversation, 11:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)
- Youth Sunday School, 11:15 a.m. (Youth Lounge)
- Sunday Conversation, 11:15 a.m. (Room 205)
- Youth Bell Choir Rehearsal, 12:00 p.m. (Bell Room)
- Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal, 12:45 p.m. (Bell Room)
- Youth Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 p.m. (Choir Room)
- Youth Dinner & Program, 6:45 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

# News at First

## GROW IN FAITH

- **Moxie Matters:** Volunteers are still needed to help with the event on Tuesday, February 6 starting at 4:45 p.m. Volunteers will get free admission to the event. Those interested in volunteering should contact Pastor Jen at [chapman@fumcpasadena.org](mailto:chapman@fumcpasadena.org).
- **Ash Wednesday:** The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14. Throughout the day, we gather in the Chapel for prayerful reflection, acknowledging our need to repent, to change direction, seeking God's gracious forgiveness and mercy. At 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., thirty-minute prayer services will be held and will include the Imposition of Ashes. At 7:00 p.m. there will be a service of prayer, confession, reflection, the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. Ken Chikonzo, our Fuller Seminary intern, will bring the evening meditation.
- **Lenten Study Groups:** Rowan Williams' book, *Meeting God in Mark: Reflections for the Season of Lent*, will be the source for FUMC's 2018 Lenten study which begins the week of February 18 and continues through the week of March 25. Studies will be offered on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Monday nights from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. facilitated by Pastor Sandy, and Tuesday nights from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., facilitated by Jen Chapman.  
  
Books are available in Fellowship Hall on Sundays and in the church office during the week. The suggested donations is \$10. Please sign up by calling the church office or stopping by the table in Fellowship Hall today.
- **Soul What? Children's Camp:** February 17 - 18, children in grades 1- 6 (and younger children accompanied by a parent) are invited to Camp Sky Meadows for a weekend in the mountains. In addition to playing, singing campfire songs and enjoying the mountain air, we will spend time exploring the practices of Lent and learning to answer John Wesley's question, "How is it with your soul?" The cost for camp is \$55 per child, \$45 for parents serving as counselors. Registration and payment are due by Sunday, February 11.

## NOTEWORTHY ITEMS

- **The world-renowned St. Olaf College Choir** from Northfield, MN, will be appearing in concert in the Sanctuary on February 9, at 7:30 p.m. Founded in 1912, the choir has been singing for capacity audiences in major venues across America and around the globe for over 100 years. Plan to be present! Tickets are \$40/adults and \$10/students at [stolaf.edu/tickets](http://stolaf.edu/tickets) or 800-363-5487.
- **Friends and Family:** luncheon is on February 11, at 12:00 p.m. following morning education. This month it will be sponsored by the United Methodist Women. Proceeds will go toward helping two of our members attend the UMW Assembly in May in Columbus, Ohio.
- **Black History Month:** Beginning Sunday, February 11, we begin an observance of Black History Month, honoring the vision of Carter Woodson who founded this annual event. Woodson worked to educate people about how African Americans have been integral in creating the American cultural experience. If you would like to help with the preparation of these weekly displays, please contact Yvonne LaRose, [vivavoce.geo@yahoo.com](mailto:vivavoce.geo@yahoo.com).  
  
On February 11 everyone is invited to a one-time sharing of items that highlight contributions of African Americans to American life: art, items of historical relevance, and memorabilia. Items for display should be brought to the Fellowship Hall with a written description on Sunday, February 11 between the 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. For questions or to let us know you plan to share, email [mikala@learningworkscharter.com](mailto:mikala@learningworkscharter.com).
- **Mardi Gras Pasadena Style:** On February 13 we celebrate Fat Tuesday on the Colorado Blvd. Patio from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. (If it is raining, we'll gather in Fellowship Hall.) Wear bright colors! Bring exuberant spirits! Invite family and friends. There will be music, pancakes, and crafts. Prepare for the season of Lent by joining in this wonderful intergenerational event in the life of our congregation!
- **Cabaret:** enjoy an evening of songs from the movies at this year's youth cabaret, Friday, February 23 and Saturday, February 24. At 6:30 p.m. there will be a silent auction over appetizers. During dinner, the youth will offer a program of solos and small ensemble pieces alongside selections for the full choir and the handbell choir. Proceeds support the annual youth choir mission tour in June. Tickets go on sale today after worship. \$20 - Adults with dinner, \$10 - Children ten years and younger, \$10 - Show without dinner.

## PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

*We lift up to God these prayers...*

newly added: June Koese, Fred Niemann, Rahn family

for healing: Daniel Aksten, Les Atkinson, Vanessa Bales, Elwood Beach, Susan Beckett, Mary Jane Bell, Rochelle Bender, Binder Family, Betty Bainton, Lynette Black, Brent Bowers, David Brooks, Eric Brubaker, Jerry Campbell, Clara Chang, Mary Davis, Steve & Sherry Dedecker, Juliet DeGuzman, Luci DeLeon, Ted Dineros, Joyce Dorn, Judy Doyel, John Duda, John Edell, Penny Eiker, Edna Farris, Cameron & Wendy Fernandez, Brandi Figari, Alisa Fishbach, Erich Frey, The Klock Family, C. Samuel Gladwin, Diego Gomez, Steve Gothold, Ann Hasagawa, Joyce Hayes, Brett Hain, Sofia Hain, Julie Hara, Helen Jerdasiak, Soledad Joco, Danny Kosakowski, Marilyn Lemp, Ed Long, Meredith Lyon, Viola Mallory, Rev. George Mann, Pat Mann, Michael Martin, Trish Martin, the Millsap Family, Rebecca Moore, Luther Nash, Dan O'Connell, Sharon Oliver, Dr. Margaret Paloma, Lucy Patrick, Carmen Patrino, Dawn & Nick Pergakes, Janet Ross, Selma Ruda, Anita Ruiz, Ethan Sandoval, Mary Sands, Solloman Sedacy, Wayne Schenck, Anna K. Schooler, Bonnie Burka Shannon, Jean St. Pierre, Tim Sun, Jane Tognazzini, Howard Underwood, Jeff Vernon, Dwight Vogel, Geneva Walker, Lily Whitaker, Eric Wolf, Juliet Wolf, Sarah Wright

in loving memory: Karen Hayes, Catherine Wegener

for our district: Santa Maria: Saint Andrew UMC, Pasadena First UMC

for the community: prayers for the poor, homeless, incarcerated, for those seeking employment, and for those suffering from mental illness and addiction, for young people who are "dreamers" and are fearful for their future

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

for victims of human trafficking and those living with sexual assault and abuse.

for the just resolution of conflict for the people of Afghanistan, Congo, Darfur, Egypt, Georgia, Haiti, Iran, Iraq, Kenya, Lebanon, Libya, Mexico, Native Americans, North Korea, Pakistan, Southern Sudan, Syria, Tibet, Yemen, Zimbabwe, Israel & 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*

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