

Sunday, November 1, 2020 • All Saints Sunday • Online @ 10 am
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OPENING PRAYER “The Lord’s Prayer” Tapuaki Ngaue-Tu’uholoaki
Kinsey

INTROIT “Jesus Christo” Inglewood First Music

WELCOME Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

OPENING HYMN “For All the Saints” Hymnal #711

*For all the saints who from their labors rest, / who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. / Alleluia! Alleluia!*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH “We Are Not Alone” Jean Pryor
(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 & 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 “When the Saints
Go Marching In” Inglewood First Music

HONORING THE SAINTS

*We bless your holy name, O God,
for all your servants who, having finished their course,
now rest from their labors.*

*Give us grace to follow the example
of their steadfastness and faithfulness,
to your honor and glory;
through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen. (England, 20th cent., alt.)*

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 5:1-12

Melody Ngaue-Tu'uholoaki

INTRODUCTION OF THE PREACHER

Lunden Clayborn

THE MESSAGE

Rev. James M. Lawson, Jr.

Pastor Emeritus, Holman UMC

SONG OF INVITATION

*"The Miseducation
(Deep In My Heart)"*

Vision

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOING FORTH

POSTLUDE

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION (by Zoom)

Announcements 
inglewood first united methodist church

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Worship Team: Nell Walker, *Director of Music & Arts, piano*; Michael Wright, *Worship Leader*; David Munch, *bass*; Tre' Cyrus-Franklin, *percussion*; Risa Wheat, *worship chair*

Rev. James M. Lawson, Jr. is the Pastor Emeritus of Holman United Methodist Church in Los Angeles, CA. Rev. Lawson is internationally recognized as the leading strategist and trainer in the principles of nonviolence to 1960's Civil Rights leaders as well as being a confidant of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Rev. Lawson continues to be actively involved in training countless women and men on nonviolent resistance to achieve social justice.

VISION is **Ashley Chiles, Sharetta Morgan-Harmon & Leara Williams**. They hope to touch the hearts of people with every note. **The Band** • Shawn Kennedy, *Bass*, Darrell Crooks, *Lead Guitar*, Delvin Williams, *Keyboard*, Glenn Richardson, *Drums* [@sing_vision](#).

Altar Flowers today are from Jean Pryor in honor of the 115th Church Anniversary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **3 Ways to Give!** (1) Mail, (2) Online (inglewoodfirst.org/give) & (3) Text amount to **84321!**
- Give **\$115** for your **Anniversary Offering!** Online, Mail or Text **"\$115"** to **84321!**
- **Set your monthly COVID-19 testing appointment @ covid19.lacounty.gov.**
- **Vote for Change Phone Banking** | Sunday @ 2pm | inglewoodfirst.org/vote!
- **Election Day** | Tuesday, November 3 | *Make sure your vote is counted!*
- **Zoom Bible Study** | **Tuesdays @ 7 pm** | **Thursdays 10 am** *Click to sign up!*
- **Post-Election Prayer Gathering** | Wednesday at 2pm & 8pm by Zoom *Click for info!*
- **Monthly Men's Check-In** | Thursday, November 5 @ 7 pm. *Click to sign up!*
- **ALL CHURCH MEETING** | Saturday, November 7 @ 4:15 pm via Zoom
- **The Listening. (Theme: #Freestyle)** | Wed, Nov 11 @ 8 pm | *Click to sign up!*

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

November Birthdays | Elizabeth Payne 11/02 • Eugene Collins 11/04 • William Alex Howard 11/15 • Blanche (Kitty) Smith 11/16 • Elizabeth Baker 11/17 • Elva Herrera 11/17 • Della Greene 11/18 • Melody Ngaue-Tu'uholoaki 11/19



OUR HISTORY

by Jean Pryor & Manu Tu'uholoaki-Murrin



The **First United Methodist Church of Inglewood** was organized on July 22, 1905 with eight members and twelve children in Sunday school. The first building was erected on Manchester and La Brea in 1908. Soon the congregation outgrew the small structure, so in 1914 the second building was erected and was dedicated on February 7, 1915.

The third building, known as the Annex, was built in 1925 to accommodate the growing church school and for social gathering purposes and was later moved to the new church site to become part of the first educational unit there with the Fellowship Hall on the basement floor.

In July 1940, groundbreaking exercises ceremonies were held for the new church, which was to be built on the site purchased at the corner of Kelso and Spruce streets. On March 16, 1941, the first service was held in the beautiful sanctuary at 304 East Spruce Ave. in Inglewood. In less than three years, the mortgage was burned and the church was debt free.

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On the first Sunday in May 1951, the new Educational Wing was consecrated. Anniversary Hall was added to the second floor in order to complete the Educational Wing and provide space for the Junior High Department of the church school and for other group's needs. Anniversary Hall was under construction at the time of our 50th Anniversary in 1955.



In the 1960's, telephone prayer line for prayer and community outreach was launched, as well as a hotline for community youth. In the 1970's, under the leadership of Rev. Matthew Jefferson, the church became a local polling station, an Adult School used the facilities, fifteen families from Tonga and our first Black member, Odessa Thorne joined along with other families who moved into the Inglewood area.

Groundbreaking for Wesley Hall was held on May 2, 1981 and on September 16, 1982, Wesley Hall was opened for consecration.

In the 1980's, under the leadership of then Rev. Beverly J. Shamana, we were awarded by the Annual Conference the distinction of being the most multicultural congregation for three years in a row! The church was used as a meeting site for the 1984 World Olympic Games, the King of Tonga visited in 1984 and we had a thriving nursery, praise dancers and children's choir. In the 1990's, the prayer hotline for suicide prevention was launched and counseling was made available for the community in response to the 1992 L.A. riots. In the 2000's, the choir was revitalized, a shared food program was created and we opened up our building for use by charter schools. In the 2010's, we dedicated the Education Building in honor of Rev. William Hill.

Let us reflect on the guidance of our leaders through our 115 years:

1905 Reverend H. Manuel	1952 Reverend Paul F. Huebner
1906 Reverend F.A. Smith	1960 Reverend Rolland Tincher
1907 Reverend Roy Mealey	1965 Reverend Herschel H. Hedgepeth
1908 Reverend R.J. Coyne	1966 Reverend William H. Merwin
1909 Reverend R.J. Taylor	1975 Reverend Matthew M. Jefferson, Jr.
1911 Reverend P.P. Carroll	1984 Reverend Beverly J. Shamana
1914 Reverend. E.W. Pasko	1989 Reverend Thomas C. Hill, III
1915 Reverend E. Sedgwick	1993 Reverend William M. Hill
1917 Reverend Fletcher G. Watson	2008 Reverend Howard Ashford
1918 Reverend E.M. Crandall	2010 Pastor Lesa Smith
1920 Reverend Clyde E. Boyer	2012 Pastor Reynaldo Guevara
1927 Reverend Thomas L. Burden	2015 Reverend Hilly G. Hicks
1935 Reverend John G. Ross	2017 Reverend Victor Cyrus-Franklin
1950 Reverend Ralph W. Lee	<i>(current pastor)</i>

As we celebrate the First United Methodist Church of Inglewood's 115th Anniversary, our focus is on continued progress through our community outreach. This year, 2020, is really a remarkable year that can be remembered for a long time. The church sanctuary has been closed since March due to the COVID-19 pandemic and so our courageous spiritual leader Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin has taken on the leadership challenges with the church members as well

as the community at large and nationally. Our regular worship services, Bible studies, Listening music group, church council, prayer meetings and all other gatherings moved online and have continued to feed and grow the church. The Virginia Beckett Food Pantry continues to serve the community. We have been an active part of voter registration and education for the upcoming election. We salute the past and pray to face today's challenges with an eye toward God's future for us. May we move forward and courageously with God's guidance to do what God calls us to do for today and the future to come.

115 YEARS AND STILL GOING STRONG. CONGRATULATIONS! THANKS TO ALL OF OUR MEMBERS FOR YOUR SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE YEARS!

WE ARE THE CHURCH...TOGETHER!



SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

To join by Phone: Dial: (669) 900-9128 | Meeting ID: 463 521 101 | Password: 272381

To join by Zoom Video: [Click here](#) | <http://tinyurl.com/InglewoodZoom>

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to God Almighty. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor: Holy are You, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor,
to proclaim release to prisoners and recovering of sight to the blind,
to free the oppressed, and to announce that the time had come
when you would save your people.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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 offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pastor: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ.
By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other,
and one in ministry to all the world.
Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all
honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. *Amen.*

Pastor: And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

**People: Our God in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. *Amen.***