

**Sunday, February 21, 2021 • 1st Sunday in Lent • Online @ 10 am**  
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**INTROIT**

**WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER**

Tiger Kinsey & Melody  
Ngaue-Tu'uholoaki  
*Liturgists*

**OPENING HYMN**

*“Lift Every Voice & Sing”*

**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 & 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.*

**SCRIPTURE**

*Mark 1:13*

*(Common English Bible)*

*(Jesus) was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among the wild animals, and the angels took care of him.*

**THE MESSAGE**

*“Conjunction Junction,  
What’s Your Function?”*

Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

**SONG OF INVITATION**

Inglewood First Music

**PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE**

**MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GOING FORTH**

**POSTLUDE**

## TODAY IN WORSHIP

**Worship Team:** Nell Walker, *Director of Music & Arts, Inglewood First UMC*; Michael Wright, *Song Leader*; Risa Wheat, *Inglewood First UMC worship chair*; Tiger Kinsey & Melody Ngaue-Tu'uholoaki, *liturgist*

## AFTER WORSHIP: BOOK READING WITH MELISA E. ARNOLD!

Join us in our after worship Zoom fellowship as Inglewood First UMC's own **Melisa E. Arnold** shares a special Black History Book Reading and Q&A from her novel *The Color of Pain*! Her novel is a first-person view of life for a young man from Dangriga, Belize.

If you're worshipping via YouTube, join us via Zoom at approximately 11:00 am at <https://tinyurl.com/ingworship>!



# Announcements

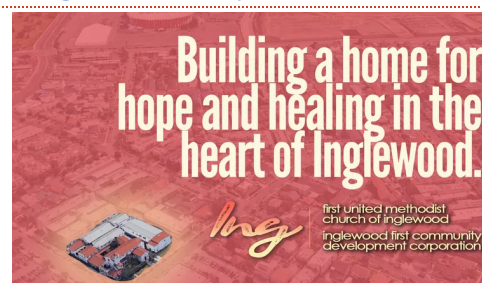
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  - (2) **Online:** [www.inglewoodfirst.org/give](http://www.inglewoodfirst.org/give) or
  - (3) **Text-to-Give:** Text an amount to **84321!**
- **Set your monthly COVID-19 testing appointment @ [covid19.lacounty.gov](https://covid19.lacounty.gov).**
  - **Zoom Bible Study | Tues @ 7pm | [Fill out this survey for morning or afternoon!](#)**
  - **Virginia Beckett Food Pantry | Thursday, March 18 @ 9:45 am**
  - **The Listening. (Our music sharing group #ForTheBabies) | Wed, Feb 24 @ 8 pm**
  - **USC Music & Child Development Study InfoSession | Sat, Feb 27 @ 11 am (tentative)**
  - **Get Well Mental Health Series w/ CSU Long Beach | [Coming Saturdays in March!](#)**

### We're on our Journey to build Affordable Housing!!!

We have signed an Option Agreement to partner with Berg Holdings, Inc. to build affordable housing units on church property. Spread the news and supporters can sign up for updates at [inglewoodfirst.org/affordablehousing](http://inglewoodfirst.org/affordablehousing).



**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS** Toni Ravens 2/6 • Philura Williams 02/07 • Christopher Breaux 2/12 • Greg Eberhardt 02/10 • Beverly Puebla 2/17 • Patricia Soto 2/22 • Elethea Cunningham 2/24 • Risa Wheat 2/29

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