



Saturday, September 18, 2021 • 17th Weekend After Pentecost • 10:00 am Online
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WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

Mawuli Kpodo
Liturgist

OPENING HYMN

“What Is This?”
by W. Hawkins

IFM

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.*

SCRIPTURE

Mark 9:33-37
Common English Bible

33 They entered Capernaum. When they had come into a house, he asked them, “What were you arguing about during the journey?” 34 They didn’t respond, since on the way they had been debating with each other about who was the greatest. 35 He sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be least of all and the servant of all.” 36 Jesus reached for a little child, placed him among the Twelve, and embraced him. Then he said, 37 “Whoever welcomes one of these children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me isn’t actually welcoming me but rather the one who sent me.”

MESSAGE

“Never Too Old To Play”

Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

SONG OF INVITATION

“Rise Up”
by A. Day

Lunden Clayborn
Soloist

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

Pastor Lesa Smith

TODAY IN WORSHIP :: Nell Walker, *Director of Music & Arts*; Michael Wright, *Assistant Director*; Risa Wheat, *Worship Chairperson*; Mawuli Kpodo, *Liturgist*

Announcements

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- **3 Ways to Give!**
 - (1) **Mail:** Send to *Inglewood First UMC, 304 E Spruce Ave, Inglewood, CA 90301*
 - (2) **Online:** www.inglewoodfirst.org/give or
 - (3) **Text-to-Give:** Text an amount to **84321!**
- **Get updates COVID-19 testing and vaccinations @ covid19.lacounty.gov.**
- **Zoom Bible Study | Tuesdays @ 1pm and 7 pm**
- **The 31-Day Prayer Challenge begins on October 1!** Details at inglewoodfirst.org/prayer.
- **Outdoor Worship with Holy Communion @ Queen Park | Saturday, Oct 2 @ 10 am**
- **The Listening. (Our music sharing group) | Sunday, Oct 3 @ 3pm**
- **Monthly Men's Check In | Thursday, Oct 7 @ 7 pm**
- **Virginia Beckett Food Pantry | Thursday, Oct 21 @ 9:45 am**

Passing of Mr Eugene Collins



It is with sadness to announce that one of our very own, *Eugene Collins*, was called to be home with the Lord. Please keep Sister Mary and family in your prayers and let them know how much we love and support them as a church family.



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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS | • Manavahē Tupe 9/05 • Mary Collins 9/08 • Annamarie Baker 9/09 • Kologio Hill 9/11 • Angelo Metz 9/22 • Woodie Dozier 9/29 • Amara (Maree) Wright 9/30

Go to the church website at inglewoodfirst.org for more info and to sign up!