



Saturday, January 22, 2022 • 3rd Weekend of Epiphany • 12:00 pm Online  
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**INTROIT**

*“Make Us One, Lord”*

Inglewood First Music

**WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER**

Rev. Victor Cyrus Franklin  
*Liturgist*

*Holy maker of stars and planets, Holy mender of broken dreams,  
Holy fountain of joyful news, we stand in awe of your glory.  
We cry out with the psalmist in wonder,  
as your word is proclaimed  
in the silent song of the cosmos,  
We cry out with your faithful ones, as your presence is made known  
in the stories of your people at all times and places.  
When the people returned from captivity in Babylon,  
you gave them your precepts to sustain them,  
as they rebuilt the city.  
When Jesus read the words of your prophets to his hearers in the synagogue,  
he reminded them of your promise to release the captives,  
to restore sight to the blind, and to free the oppressed.  
Today, you call us to be members of the body of Christ,  
your embodied Word made flesh,  
and to offer healing and wholeness wherever we go.  
May our songs and our stories, our praise and our thanks,  
be pleasant to you this day, Holy one, our rock and redeemer.*

**OPENING HYMN**

*“We Are One in the Spirit”*

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**SCRIPTURE**

*1 Corinthians 12:12-31  
(Common English Bible)*

*12 Christ is just like the human body—a body is a unit and has many parts; and all the parts of the body are one body, even though there are many. 13 We were all baptized by one Spirit into one body, whether Jew or Greek, or slave or free, and we all were given one Spirit to drink. 14 Certainly the body isn't one part but many. 15 If the foot says, "I'm not part of the body because I'm not a hand," does that mean it's not part of the body? 16 If the ear says, "I'm not part of the body because I'm not an eye," does that mean it's not part of the body? 17 If the whole body were an eye, what would happen to the hearing? And if the whole body were an ear, what would happen to the sense of smell? 18 But as it is, God has placed each one of the parts in the body just like he wanted. 19 If all were one and the same body part, what would happen to the body? 20 But as it is, there are many parts but one body. 21 So the eye can't say to the hand, "I don't need you," or in turn, the head can't say to the feet, "I don't need you." 22 Instead, the parts of the body that people think are the weakest are the most necessary. 23 The parts of the body*

that we think are less honorable are the ones we honor the most. The private parts of our body that aren't presentable are the ones that are given the most dignity. 24 The parts of our body that are presentable don't need this. But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the part with less honor 25 so that there won't be division in the body and so the parts might have mutual concern for each other. 26 If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part gets the glory, all the parts celebrate with it. 27 You are the body of Christ and parts of each other. 28 In the church, God has appointed first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, the ability to help others, leadership skills, different kinds of tongues. 29 All aren't apostles, are they? All aren't prophets, are they? All aren't teachers, are they? All don't perform miracles, do they? 30 All don't have gifts of healing, do they? All don't speak in different tongues, do they? All don't interpret, do they? 31 Use your ambition to try to get the greater gifts. And I'm going to show you an even better way.

**MESSAGE**

“We Need Each Other”

Pastor Lesa Smith

**INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN  
DISCIPLESHIP**

**PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE**

Rev. Victor Cyrus Franklin

**MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GOING FORTH**

Pastor Lesa Smith

**TODAY IN WORSHIP** :: Nell Walker, *Director of Music & Arts*; Michael Wright, *Assistant Director*; Tre' Cyrus-Franklin, *Percussion*; Tony Greene, *Sound Technician*; Marlon Baker, *Audio/Visual Assistant*

*Announcements*  
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- (1) **Mail:** Send to *Inglewood First UMC, 304 E Spruce Ave, Inglewood, CA 90301*
- (2) **Online:** [www.inglewoodfirst.org/give](http://www.inglewoodfirst.org/give) or
- (3) **Text-to-Give:** Text an amount to **84321!**

- **Get updates COVID-19 testing and vaccinations @ [covid19.lacounty.gov](https://covid19.lacounty.gov).**
- **Zoom Bible Study | Tuesdays @ 1pm and 7 pm**
- **The Listening. (music sharing group) | [www.inglewoodfirst.org/thelistening](http://www.inglewoodfirst.org/thelistening)**
- **Virginia Beckett Food Pantry | Thursday, February 17th @ 9:45 am**
- **Winter Church Council Meeting (Zoom) | Saturday, January 22 @ 1:30 pm**
- **Church Town Hall Meeting | January 29 or 30 (To be determined)**
- **Monthly Men's Check-In | Thursday, February 3 @ 7:00 pm**

**We're on our Journey to Build Affordable Housing! Updates @ [inglewoodfirst.org/housing](http://inglewoodfirst.org/housing).**



**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES** | Sheila Clayborn 1/2 • Sara Diaz-Montejano 1/4 • Tony Lowe 1/7 • Nell Walker 1/8 • Zaneta Smith 01/10- Salome Simpson 1/12 • Helen Jenkins 1/12 • Donald Perry 1/18 • Pastor Rey Guevara 1/23 • Victor Franklin, Sr. 1/27 • Meleane Baker 1/28

**PRAYER LIST** | Melisa Arnold • Mary Collins & Family • Oliver & Elthea Cunningham • Della Greene & Anthony Greene • Elva Herrera • Elizabeth Payne • Stephanie Starr • Mary Walker • Affordable Housing Project • Members, Family & Friends who have been infected with COVID-19 • *To submit a prayer request online, go to [inglewoodfirst.org/prayer](https://inglewoodfirst.org/prayer).*

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**SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST: The family of Meryl Hinkle** | Though not a member of Inglewood First, Meryl Hinkle was the church organist for many years. She passed away Saturday night, January 15, 2022. Her daughter, Sheila asked that we let the congregation know and there will be a memorial service at a later time.

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