

Saturday, January 29, 2022 • 4th Weekend of Epiphany • 12:00 pm Online 304 E Spruce Ave • Inglewood, CA 90301 • 310-677-7106 • inglewoodfirst.org

**INTROIT** 

"Love Won't Harm No One"

Inglewood First Music

## WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Lesa Smith Liturgist

Wrap us in the arms of your love, Holy One, for we need to feel your healing touch.

As we gather to worship you this day, humble our hearts, teach us patience, and touch us with kindness.

Open our eyes, that we may see ourselves as you see us.

Open our hearts to your Spirit of gentleness, that our words may be true and our love may be pure.

Bind us in a love that does not fail or fade, that we may bear all things, believe all things, and hopes all things in your love, which never ends. Amen.

**OPENING HYMN** 

"We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise"

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SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 13:3-13 (Common English Bible)

If I speak in tongues of human beings and of angels but I don't have love, I'm a clanging gong or a clashing cymbal. 2 If I have the gift of prophecy and I know all the mysteries and everything else, and if I have such complete faith that I can move mountains but I don't have love, I'm nothing. 3 If I give away everything that I have and hand over my own body to feel good about what I've done but I don't have love, I receive no benefit whatsoever.

4 Love is patient, love is kind, it isn't jealous, it doesn't brag, it isn't arrogant, 5 it isn't rude, it doesn't seek its own advantage, it isn't irritable, it doesn't keep a record of complaints, 6 it isn't happy with injustice, but it is happy with the truth. 7 Love puts up with all things, trusts in all things, hopes for all things, endures all things. 8 Love never fails. As for prophecies, they will be brought to an end. As for tongues, they will stop. As for knowledge, it will be brought to an end. 9 We know in part and we prophesy in part; 10 but when the perfect comes, what is partial will be brought to an end. 11 When I was a child, I used to speak like a child, reason like a child, think like a child. But now that I have become a man, I've put an end to childish things. 12 Now we see a reflection in a mirror; then we will see face-to-face. Now I know partially, but then I will know completely in

the same way that I have been completely known. 13 Now faith, hope, and love remain—these three things—and the greatest of these is love.

**MESSAGE** "We Need Love"

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Pastor Lesa Smith

Rev. Victor Cyrus Franklin

**MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

GOING FORTH Rev. Victor Cyrus Franklin

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



- 3 Ways to Give!
  - o (1) Mail: Send to Inglewood First UMC, 304 E Spruce Ave, Inglewood, CA 90301
  - (2) **Online**: <u>www.inglewoodfirst.org/give</u> or
  - o (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 Listening. (music sharing group) | www.inglewoodfirst.org/thelistening
  - Virginia Beckett Food Pantry | Thursday, February 17th @ 9:45 am
  - Church Town Hall Meeting | January 30 @ 1pm on Zoom. RSVP on the church website!
  - Monthly Men's Check-In | Thursday, February 3 @ 7:00 pm

## We're on our Journey to Build Affordable Housing! Updates @ 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*.

**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.

