



INTROIT

“We Are the Church”

Inglewood First Music

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

Sheila Clayborn
Liturgist

God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be with us in the joys and sorrows of life.

We turn to you this day, knowing that we will not be put to shame.

Be at our side when the crowd shouts “Hosanna!” as Jesus rode into Jerusalem.

Be with us also when the crowd turns, as those who loved him fell away.

Their story is our story.

Be with us in the telling, that we may walk with Jesus once more on the long journey of Holy Week.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“Wade in the Water”

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SCRIPTURE

Romans 12:9-21
(Common English Bible)

9 Love should be shown without pretending. Hate evil and hold on to what is good. 10 Love each other like the members of your family. Be the best at showing honor to each other. 11 Don't hesitate to be enthusiastic—be on fire in the Spirit as you serve the Lord! 12 Be happy in your hope, stand your ground when you're in trouble, and devote yourselves to prayer. 13 Contribute to the needs of God's people, and welcome strangers into your home. 14 Bless people who harass you—bless and don't curse them. 15 Be happy with those who are happy, and cry with those who are crying. 16 Consider everyone as equal, and don't think that you're better than anyone else. Instead, associate with people who have no status. Don't think that you're so smart. 17 Don't pay back anyone for their evil actions with evil actions but show respect for what everyone else believes is good. 18 If possible, to the best of your ability, live at peace with all people. 19 Don't try to get revenge for yourselves, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath. It is written, Revenge belongs to me; I will pay it back, says the Lord.[a] 20 Instead, If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him a drink. By doing this, you will pile burning coals of fire upon his head.[b] 21 Don't be defeated by evil, but defeat evil with good.

MESSAGE

“You Have to Commit”

Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

Pastor Lesa Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOING FORTH

Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

Announcements

inglewood first united methodist church



● **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!*

- **Complete the New Worship Time Survey!** <https://forms.gle/suLXdRGXjHnDFmC9>
- **Preparing to Sail Small Groups is live! Sign Ups are open!** www.inglewoodfirst.org/lent
- **Backyard Kids' Sunday School & April Youth Activities are live, too!** inglewoodfirst.org/lent
- **Zoom Bible Study | Tuesdays @ 1pm and 7 pm**
- **Easter Lily orders are available until Thursday, Apr 14** www.inglewoodfirst.org/easterlilies

Holy Week @ Inglewood First UMC

- **Palm Sunday Worship · Apr 10 @ 8:30 am** (online)
- **Good Friday · Apr 15**
 - **12 pm** - BMCR/Ebony Prophets 7 Last Words | Saint Mark UMC of LA
 - **7 pm** What's Going On: The 7 Last Words | Inglewood First UMC
- **Easter/Resurrection Sunday · Apr 17**
 - **8:30 am** Worship @ Inglewood First UMC (in-person & online)
 - **10:45 am** Worship @ Grace UMC of LA (in-person & online)

- **Virginia Beckett Food Pantry** | Thursday, Apr 21 @ 9:45 am
- **All Church Seminar: Life Cycle of the Church** | Saturday, Apr 23, 2022 @ 10:00 am
- **We're on our Journey to Build Affordable Housing!** Updates @ inglewoodfirst.org/housing.
- **The Listening. (music sharing group)** | www.inglewoodfirst.org/thelistening
- **Get updates COVID-19 testing and vaccinations** @ covid19.lacounty.gov.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES | Kevin Collins 4/2 • Lunden Clayborn 4/4 • Dr. Ernest Black 4/7 • Casolene Reynolds 4/7 • Ines Diaz-Fister 4/8 • Jean Pryor 4/12 • Shirley Taylor 4/19 • Larry Porchia 4/20

PRAYER LIST | Beverly Reynolds Puebla, Wendy Reynolds and Kirstie Baker in the passing of their brother & uncle, Benjamin • Oliver & Elthea Cunningham (Elethea's sister, Delane passed away in Chicago, March 22nd) • Craig Erquhart, Sr. & family • Della Greene & Anthony Greene • Elva Herrera • Stephanie Starr • Deb Thierry • Mary Walker • Affordable Housing Project • Members, Family & Friends who have been infected with COVID-19 • Continued recovery effort in Tonga • The people of Ukraine • St. John United Methodist Church (Watts) in their recovery effort after the church caught fire.

To submit a prayer request online, go to inglewoodfirst.org/prayer.

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