



INTROIT

“Pearls” by Sade

Inglewood First Music

GREETING AND WELCOME

Charlene Bright
Liturgist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Beloved, the Savior calls to you. Will you follow?

People: God, help us leave everything and follow.

*Leader: Christ’s call persists through the clouds of doubt, fear,
and worry that descends on our path. Will you follow?*

People: God, help us leave everything and follow.

*Leader: Jesus calls us to shift our priorities, to leave behind the baggage of prejudice and the grasping for
position so we can truly love God and our neighbors well. Will you follow?*

People: God, help us leave everything and follow.

Leader: Beloved, receive this good news: you are not alone! Today we answer Christ’s call together!

PEOPLE: God, help us leave everything and follow your path of Love everywhere we go! Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“Amazing Grace”

Hymnal #378

OPENING PRAYER

*Some have come under compulsion. Some have come out of curiosity. Some have come out of a great need.
Some have come out of tradition. Some have come to dedicate their new outfit. All will meet Jesus. All will
have the opportunity to be blessed. All will decide what to do, having met Jesus. May we decide to follow
him. Amen.*

BLACK HISTORY MOMENT

Manu Tu’uholoaki-Murrin

SCRIPTURE READING

*1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Common English Bible*

*Brothers and sisters, I want to call your attention to the good news that I preached to you, which you also
received and in which you stand. 2 You are being saved through it if you hold on to the message I preached to
you, unless somehow you believed it for nothing. 3 I passed on to you as most important what I also received:
Christ died for our sins in line with the scriptures, 4 he was buried, and he rose on the third day in line with
the scriptures. 5 He appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve, 6 and then he appeared to more than five
hundred brothers and sisters at once—most of them are still alive to this day, though some have died. 7 Then
he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, 8 and last of all he appeared to me, as if I were born at the
wrong time. 9 I’m the least important of the apostles. I don’t deserve to be called an apostle, because I*

harassed God's church. 10 I am what I am by God's grace, and God's grace hasn't been for nothing. In fact, I have worked harder than all the others—that is, it wasn't me but the grace of God that is with me. 11 So then, whether you heard the message from me or them, this is what we preach and this is what you have believed.

MESSAGE

***“But By the Grace
of God”***

Rev. Dr. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

INVITATIONAL SONG

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Hymnal #140

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

Rev. Dr. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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Announcements 
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4 WAYS TO GIVE:

(1) **Mail:** Send to *Inglewood First UMC*,
304 E Spruce Ave, Inglewood, CA 90301

(2) **Online:** www.inglewoodfirst.org/give

(3) **Text-to-Give:** Text an amount to **84321!**

(4) **Download the Church App** at
www.inglewoodfirst.org/app

COMING UP @ INGLEWOOD FIRST UMC / inglewoodfirst.org/calendar

- **Worship Team Planning Meeting** | Tuesdays @ 10:00 am
- **Zoom Bible Study** | Tuesdays @ 12 pm & 7 pm | will resume January 14th
- **Virginia Beckett Food Pantry** | Thursday, February 20, 2025 @ 9:45 am - 12:00 pm
- **Choir Rehearsal** | 3rd & 4th Sundays after worship service
- We're on our journey to Build Affordable Housing! Updates @ inglewoodfirst.org/housing

CONGREGATIONAL CARE | *Submit prayer requests at inglewoodfirst.org/prayer.*

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS | Toni Ravens 2/6 • Greg Eberhardt 02/10 • Pastor Joe Siofele 2/11 • Christopher Breaux 2/12 • Beverly Puebla 2/17 • Patricia Soto 2/22 • Elethea Cunningham 2/24 • Sarita Diaz-Montejano 2/24 • Fai'ana Lolohea 2/28 Risa Wheat 2/29

PRAYER LIST | Quinn Jones & Family • Larry Porchia & Family • Patricia Thomas • Smith Family • Dozier Family • Jimmie Woods-Gray • Mary Collins • John Cohill • Rokyia Ferguson • Soto-Mack Family • Houseless Neighbors • Elizabeth Payne • Elva Herrera • Affordable Housing Project • Della Greene & Anthony Greene • Stephannie Starr