



INTROIT

“Falling in Love with Jesus”

Inglewood First Music

GREETING AND WELCOME

Melisa Arnold
Liturgist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Disciples of Christ, today your Savior calls you to come up the mountain and pray. Will you come?

People: We will go wherever Jesus leads us.

Leader: Will you follow when Christ’s glory overwhelms your senses, and you sit astounded at God’s greatness?

People: We will go wherever Jesus leads us.

Leader: Will you follow when Jesus won’t let you stay on the mountaintop, insisting that you return to the valley where people are hurting and in need of good news?

People: We will go wherever Jesus leads us.

Leader: Disciples, come! Let us worship God, whose glory shines on the mountaintop and in the eyes of our neighbors.

People: Come, let us worship God, whose glory shimmers all around us, even now!

OPENING HYMN

“To God Be the Glory”

Hymnal #98

OPENING PRAYER

Lord of the Mountaintop, God of dazzling clothes, be with us when we come down from the height of worship to face a world that didn’t see what we just saw in you. Show us what to do.

When demons rage through elementary schools, let it not be said that your disciples could not cast the devil out. When violence threatens to engulf our communities, let it not be said that your disciples cowered in fear or walked on the other side of the road. When there is peril or fire or flood, let it not be said that your disciples cleared the unwanted junk from their garages and called it charity...Lord of the Mountaintop, God of dazzling clothes, show us how to be. Change us; transfigure us so that this world might see what we have just seen, and worship you. Amen.

BLACK HISTORY MOMENT

Larry Porchia

SPECIAL POEM

Melisa Arnold

SONG OF PREPARATION

“The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power”

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SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 9:29-43

New Revised Standard Version

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. 29 And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. 30 Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. 31 They appeared in glory and were speaking about his exodus, which he was about to fulfill in Jerusalem. 32 Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep, but as they awoke, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. 33 Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us set up three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah,” not realizing what he was saying. 34 While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were terrified as they

entered the cloud. 35 Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" 36 When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and, in those days, told no one any of the things they had seen. 37 On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. 38 Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. 39 Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. 40 I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." 41 Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and put up with you? Bring your son here." 42 While he was being brought forward, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. 43 And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

MESSAGE

"In Awe of God's Love"

Pastor Monalisa Lolohea

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

INVITATIONAL SONG

"How Great Thou Art"

Hymnal #77

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

Pastor Monalisa Lolohea

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
- **Monthly Birthday + Anniversary Shout Out** | Wednesday, March 12 @ 6:30 pm via Zoom
- **Church Council Zoom Meeting** | Wednesday, March 12 @ 7:15 pm
- **Zoom Bible Study** | Tuesdays @ 12 pm & 7 pm | will resume January 14th
- **Virginia Beckett Food Pantry** | Thursday, March 20, 2025 @ 9:45 am - 12:00 pm
- We're on our journey to Build Affordable Housing! Updates @ inglewoodfirst.org/housing

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

MARCH BIRTHDAYS | Siosuia Tupou 3/2, Kirstie Baker 3/3, Alma Martinez 3/4, Sandra Jefferson 3/6, Madison Boyd 3/9, Lucia Diaz-Fister 3/10, Rev. Neema Cyrus-Franklin 3/14, John Baker 3/14, Rodney Rose 3/15, Ruby Ayala 3/17, Pastor Monalisa Siofele-Lolohea 3/18, Bradley Baker 3/20, Wendy Reynolds 3/22, Lillye Harbison 3/24, John Cohill 3/26, Timothy Tu'uholoaki 3/29

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 • Stephanie Starr