

March 16, 2025

2nd Sunday in Lent • **9:00** am 304 E Spruce Ave Inglewood, CA 90301 www.inglewoodfirst.org

INTROIT

"Thank You Lord"

Inglewood First Jazz

Kirstie Baker

Liturgist

GREETING & WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Children of God, when you are surrounded on every side by shadows that frighten and voices that deride and confuse, what do you say?
People: God is our light and our salvation! Whom shall we fear?
Leader: When threats bombard you from every corner, stealing the security and peace you long for, what do you say?
People: God is the stronghold of our lives! Of whom shall we be afraid?
Leader: When anxiety and loneliness overwhelm and you do not know who or what to trust any more, what do you say?
People: Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!
Leader: Because God knows our suffering. God makes a home among us, welcoming us to come home to God and one another.
People: Come! Let us worship God who hides us in the day of trouble and conceals us together under the cover of the tent of Love.

OPENING HYMN	"Soon and Very Soon"	Hymnal #706
OPENING PRAYER		Kirstie Baker
Mighty God we come into your press	nce from many different places and situa	tions

Mighty God, we come into your presence from many different places and situations. Light our way in this time of worship. Calm our hearts, focus our thoughts, and strengthen our faith, as we pray and praise this day. Amen.

WOMENS HERSTORY MOMENT		Pastor Monalisa Lolohea
PASSING OF THE PEACE	"We Are the Church"	Inglewood First Jazz
SONG OF PREPARATION	"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"	Hymnal #140
SCRIPTURE READING	Luke 13:31-35 Common English Bible	Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin

31 At that time, some Pharisees approached Jesus and said, "Go! Get away from here, because Herod wants to kill you."

32 Jesus said to them, "Go, tell that fox, 'Look, I'm throwing out demons and healing people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will complete my work. 33 However, it's necessary for me to travel today, tomorrow, and the next day because it's impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.'

34 "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those who were sent to you! How often I have wanted to gather your people just as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings. But you didn't want that. 35 Look, your house is abandoned. I tell you, you won't see me until the time comes when you say, Blessings on the one who comes in the Lord's name."

MESSAGE

"We'll Understand It Better By and By"

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INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP **INVITATIONAL SONG** "Lead Me, Guide Me" PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE SENDING FORTH POSTLUDE

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- (1) Mail: Send to Inglewood First UMC, 304 E Spruce Ave, Inglewood, CA 90301
- (2) **Online**: <u>www.inglewoodfirst.org/give</u> or/
- (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 | Sign up at inglewoodfirst.org/biblestudy
- Know Your Rights Workshop | Saturday, April 5, 2025 @ 10:00 am at Holy Faith Episcopal Church
- Virginia Beckett Food Pantry | Thursday, March 20, 2025 @ 9:45 am 12:00 pm
- Selah Sunday (No Worship Service) | March 30, 2025
- We're on our journey to Build Affordable Housing! Updates @ inglewoodfirst.org/housing

CONGREGATIONAL CARE | Submit prayer requests at <u>inglewoodfirst.org/prayer</u>.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS | Siosiua 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 | Family of Rev. Dr. Lydia Waters • Raymond Naba • 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