



**INTROIT**

*“St. Thomas”*

Inglewood First Music

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Risa Wheat  
*Liturgist*

**OPENING HYMN**

*“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”*

Hymnal #302

**OPENING PRAYER**

Risa Wheat

*God of mystery and miracles, breathe your peace upon us.*

*Reveal your presence, as we look for you each day.*

*Strengthen our faith and our trust, as we pray for miracles for one another and for all of your creation.*

*Amen.*

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*“We Are the Church”*

Inglewood First Music

**JAZZ HISTORY MOMENT**

Anthony Greene

**SCRIPTURE READING**

*John 20:19-31*  
*Common English Bible*

Risa Wheat

*19 It was still the first day of the week. That evening, while the disciples were behind closed doors because they were afraid of the Jewish authorities, Jesus came and stood among them. He said, “Peace be with you.” 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. When the disciples saw the Lord, they were filled with joy. 21 Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so I am sending you.” 22 Then he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive anyone’s sins, they are forgiven; if you don’t forgive them, they aren’t forgiven.” 24 Thomas, the one called Didymus, one of the Twelve, wasn’t with the disciples when Jesus came. 25 The other disciples told him, “We’ve seen the Lord!” But he replied, “Unless I see the nail marks in his hands, put my finger in the wounds left by the nails, and put my hand into his side, I won’t believe.” 26 After eight days his disciples were again in a house and Thomas was with them. Even though the doors were locked, Jesus entered and stood among them. He said, “Peace be with you.” 27 Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here. Look at my hands. Put your hand into my side. No more disbelief. Believe!” 28 Thomas responded to Jesus, “My Lord and my God!” 29 Jesus replied, “Do you believe because you see me? Happy are those who don’t see and yet believe.” 30 Then Jesus did many other miraculous signs in his disciples’ presence, signs that aren’t recorded in this scroll. 31 But these things are written so that you will believe that Jesus is the Christ, God’s Son, and that believing, you will have life in his name.*

**INVITATION TO SOUL CARE PRACTICE**

Rev. Neema Cyrus-Franklin

**BREATHING THE BREATH OF LIFE**

**COMMUNITY SONG**

*“Open the Eyes of My Heart”*

Inglewood First Music

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord  
Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You  
I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up  
Shinin' in the light of Your glory  
Pour out Your power and love  
As we sing holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy  
We cry holy, holy, holy  
You are holy, holy, holy  
I want to see you

## WORD MADE FLESH: SCRIPTURE EMBODIMENT

## MEDITATION & REFLECTION

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### PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

Rev. Neema Cyrus-Franklin

### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

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# Announcements

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**TODAY IN WORSHIP:** Bravo Maintenance; Risa Wheat, *Worship Chairperson & Liturgist*; Sam Reid, *Pianist*; Tre' Cyrus-Franklin, *Percussion*; Max Weiner, *Bass*; Tony Greene, *Sound Tech*; Tootie Tuihalamaka, *Video Tech*; Rev. Neema Cyrus-Franklin, *SoulCare Leader*

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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](http://www.inglewoodfirst.org/give) or
  - (3) **Text-to-Give:** Text an amount to **84321!**
  - (4) **Download the Church App** at [www.inglewoodfirst.org/app](http://www.inglewoodfirst.org/app)
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### COMING UP @ INGLEWOOD FIRST UMC / [inglewoodfirst.org/calendar](http://inglewoodfirst.org/calendar)

- **Worship Team Planning Meeting** | Tuesdays @ 10:00 am
  - **Monthly Zoom Birthday + Anniversary Shout Out** | 1st Wednesday's of the Month
  - **Zoom Bible Study** | will resume in May
  - We're on our journey to Build Affordable Housing! Updates @ [inglewoodfirst.org/housing](http://inglewoodfirst.org/housing)
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### CONGREGATIONAL CARE | *Submit prayer requests at [inglewoodfirst.org/prayer](http://inglewoodfirst.org/prayer).*

**APRIL BIRTHDAYS** | 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, Larry & Marjorie Porchia's Anniversary 4/22, Jonathan Webb 4/26

**PRAYER LIST** | Elethea Cunningham & Family • Family of Rev. Dr. Lydia Waters • Raymond Naba • Quinn Jones & Family • Finau Veikoso • 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