

Let the winds
of the SPIRIT
awaken us



**Fullerton First
United Methodist Church**
August 16th, 2009

Worship clears the mind and strengthens the soul. Our Worship begins with the first notes of the Prelude. Let us prepare our hearts and minds to seek and praise our Creator.

* (Indicates: If you are able, please stand)

PRELUDE "Love Medley" Ann Geib, Guest Organist/Pianist
Greer, Arranger

WELCOME (You are welcome to fill out a prayer request card located in the back of each pew. Our Acolytes will pick up your request during the Choral Anthem. Please join us on the patio after this service for a time fellowship.)

* **SHARING OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE** (Please stand and greet those around you.)

INTROIT "Trumpet Fanfare" Rick Harrison, Baroque Trumpet

* **CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)** Nan Reger

Leader: We gather to hear the story of our faith,

People: About God's mighty acts, about the brave deeds of prophets and heroes, about the noble work of people who lived out the faith in Christ.

Leader: We gather to immerse ourselves in the story of our faith,

People: By striving to find out our role within it, by interpreting it anew as it touches our spirits and life circumstances, by allowing it to change us.

Leader: We gather to participate in the story of our faith,

People: As translators of love into action, as creators of justice and peace, as characters who confront life with a true sense of purpose.

All: In worshipping God, in listening to one another, we celebrate our faith in Christ Jesus. Amen.

* **HYMN #384** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

PRAYER OF COMMUNITY (Unison) Nan Reger

O God, we gather here to worship, confessing that we are in need of your presence and guidance and support.

We pray that your Spirit be as a wind. Let it be the winds of the Spirit that awakens us with bracing gusts and carry us to new places. Teach us to soar with your winds of change rather than remain grounded by our own set ways.

We pray that your Spirit be as a fire. Let the flame of the Spirit test us and light our ways. Enable us to see that the fire does not consume us but rather kindles us and sets us free.

O God, We want to be faithfully to what Christ has commanded us to be and do in our homes, works places, schools, malls, gyms, restaurants, and parks. May we will always listen and obey promptings of the Spirit so each of our action and word will reveal Christ in us.

In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC "La Folia" Andrew Harrison, Violinist
A. Corelli, Composer Jane Harrison, Pianist

OUR TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (Children please come forward to the Chancel.)
Shelly Nichols

*Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them;
for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."
- Matthew 19: 14*

* **HYMN #382** "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

SHARING OUR PRAYER CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 1: 35-42 Greg Adamson and Louise Green
Page 87, New Testament NRSV Holy Bible

MESSAGE "Practical Faith" Pastor Keith Hwang

SHARING OUR GOD-GIVEN RESOURCES

"Do not lay up yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also".
- Matthew 6: 19-21

OFFERTORY "On Eagle's Wings" Ann Geib, Guest Organist/Pianist
Carter, Composer

* **DOXOLOGY** Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

* **HYMN #369** "Blessed Assurance"

* **BENEDICTION** (Congregation, please join hands. We invite you to remain in our Sanctuary to listen to the Postlude.)

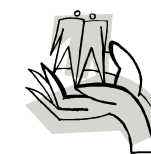
POSTLUDE "Fanfare on 'St. Gertrude'" Ann Geib, Guest Organist/Pianist
Young, Composer



ALTAR FLOWERS

This morning's bouquet is presented by Mimi Gillespie in loving memory of Joe Gillespie.

The plant is presented by Richard and Connie Pilling in celebration of their 47th Wedding Anniversary.



WELCOME VISITORS: We would love to have you join us on the patio after this service for a time of fellowship. Stop by the Visitor's Center and receive your special gift – stay, have a cup of coffee or a glass of punch with us. Let's get acquainted.

PRAYER CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS



Continuing prayers:

Ruth Rogers undergoing further treatments for colon cancer.

Sandi Hoffner in UCI Medical Center with serious injuries from car accident.

Bob Beauchamp is receiving hospice care.

Carol Smith is recuperating from a compression fracture in her back.

Millie Stewart complications from a bad fall.

Margaret Chambers broke her foot.

Vi Jones as she continues undergoing chemotherapy.

Don Cox is in St. Jude Hospital.

Marietta Smith under hospice care for cancer.

Rev. Bob Rohdenburg is fighting cancer.

Our family members:

Ben Johnson's brother, Russell, passed away Saturday, August 8th.

Victoria, Clara Hernandez's daughter-in-law, undergoing chemotherapy.



During our Worship Services we ask that you silence all cell phones, pagers and all other communication devices. Thank you.



To reach us:

114 North Pomona Avenue, Fullerton, CA 92832

Telephone: 714-871-4115

Email: mail@ffumc.net. Website: www.ffumc.net

Announcements



Pastor Keith will offer a 10-week Bible study on spiritual disciplines. The first session will be on Tuesday, September 15, 2009. It will start at 10:00AM and will conclude promptly at 11:30AM. Through intentional and disciplined practice of the spiritual disciplines, one can

grow closer to Christ Jesus. The participants will learn about various forms of prayer, discernment, biblical meditation and journaling. You will need to bring a Bible, a journal and a writing instrument for this class. A small donation will be accepted for materials. Any money left over at the end of the sessions will be donated to the *Church World Service*. The class size will be limited to 20. To sign up, please contact Pastor Keith at revkahwang@hotmail.com or call the church office, 714-871-4115.



Sanctuary Prayer Group invites each of you to a Healing and Prayer Service on Wednesday, August 19, 2009 at Noon. We would like to lift up the members of our congregation who are ill and have other challenges. Come if you wish to receive prayers or pray for your family or friends. So please come and join others in a time of prayer.
- Pastor Keith

Sunday, August 23rd is the last nite of our All Church Summer Fun Nites for this summer season. Join us for our "BBQ and Baseball Movie Nite." BBQ starts at 6:30PM followed by a movie starting at approximately 7:30PM. And wear your favorite baseball team colors! Invite your friends too!

August Meetings:

Worship Committee – Sunday, August 16th at 11:30 in Bride's Room.

Staff Parish – Monday, August 17 at 7:00 PM in the South Lounge.

Church Council - Tuesday, August 25th at 7:00PM in the South Lounge.

Choir Practice – Thursday, August 27 at 7:00PM in the Choir Room.

Finance Committee – Monday, August 31 at 7:00PM in Pomona Conf. Rm.

Can you spare two hours a week? John Wesley said we are all going onto perfection. Translation: we are not there yet. In order to take a step closer to "being perfect as God is perfect", we need your help. **We need a volunteer for two hours on Wednesdays around 3:00 p.m. to proofread the worship bulletin.** Humor is good for our souls but we can do without some humors like the following: "The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7 PM. The Congregation is invited to attend this tragedy. Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It is a good chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands." **Please email Louise at the office at mail@ffumc.net or call her at 714-871-4115.**



ASSISTING WITH THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP

Pastor Keith Hwang

Nan Reger, Liturgist

Greg Adamson, Scripture Lesson

Louise Green, Scripture Lesson

Shelly Nichols, Announcements

Rick, Jane and Andrew Harrison, Guest Musicians

Ann Geib, Guest Organist/Pianist

Shelly Nichols, Time with Children

Parker Schrandt, Acolyte

Ushers: David Schrandt, Captain; Nancy Gordon,

Vicky Johnson, Harry Musser, Janet Fallon,

Millie Stewart

LEADERS SERVING FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD



Pastor Keith Hwang, preaching

Rev. Mickey Jessup, Liturgist

Shelly Nichols, Announcements

Kim Galea, Children's Time

Brian Schrandt, Acolyte

Tony and Cindy Ellis, Guest Musicians

F. Y. I.

Those with little children under age 3 years are welcome to place your child in the loving care of our caregivers in our nursery. Our ushers will gladly direct you to the nursery which is open each Sunday starting at 9:45AM.

Large print bulletins and hearing devices are available for those who need them. Please ask one of our Ushers for help.

Serving Our Community

Throughout the year we collect food items such as canned goods, boxed goods, pasta, rice, beans, diapers, and household cleaning supplies, and personal care products that are taken to the F. I. E. S. Warehouse for distribution to those in need. Bring your donations to the Church Office.

We have a "Hot Meals Ministry" which serves a hot meal to about 175 hungry people. We serve these meals at 1st Christian Church, located on the corner of Harbor and Wilshire, the third Wednesday of every month starting at 6:00PM.

Narcotics Anonymous meetings are held in our building – Monday nights starting at 7:00PM and Friday nights starting at 7:00PM in Room # 250.

Weight Watchers meets in Room # 250 every Wednesday night at 5:30PM (weigh-in begins at 5:00PM).

F. I. S. H. Board Members (free private transportation for persons to and from health care providers and shopping) meet at 9:00AM in our South Lounge on the third Thursday of each month.

Fullerton Interfaith Emergency Services (F. I. E. S.) Shelter Network (shelter for those individuals who are searching for work and places to live) is now housed in our Fellowship Hall.

Women's Transitional Living Center conducts an anger management and parenting class in our North Lounge on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings.