




**Fullerton
First
United
Methodist
Church**

*Fourth Sunday of Lent
One Great Hour of Sharing
Welcome New Members
March 14, 2010*

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: Please stand, if you are able)

PRELUDE "Prelude and Fugue E Minor"
J. S. Bach, Composer
 Hyeyeon Kim, Organist/Pianist

WELCOME Pastor Keith Hwang

ANOUNCEMENTS
 (If you request a prayer, you are welcome to fill out a prayer request card located in the holder on back of each pew. Your prayer will be read during the Pastoral Prayer. Our Acolytes will pick up your prayer request during the Anthem).

* **SHARING OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE** (Please stand and greet each other. Don't forget to extend a hand to our visitors as well).

INTROIT "God So Loved the World"
 The Aldersgate Chorale
 Matthew Ringer, Director of Music

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsively)

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: We are here today to worship God who never gives up on us even when we do.

People: We shout for joy for God's faithfulness and loving kindness.

Leader: We are here today to worship God who makes room for even those who have wandered away.

People: We shout for joy for God's patience and affirmation.

All: Praise the Good Shepherd whose love extends to the darkest valley and the deepest ocean. Amen.

* **HYMN #131 – "We Gather Together"**

UNISON PRAYER (PRAYER OF ST. PATRICK)

As I arise today, may the strength of God pilot me,
 the power of God uphold me, the wisdom of God guide me.
 May the eye of God look before me, the ear of God hear me,
 the word of God speak for me.
 May the hand of God protect me, the way of God lie before me,
 the shield of God defend me, the host of God save me.
 May Christ shield me today.
 Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
 Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
 Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
 Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit,
 Christ when I stand, Christ in the heart of everyone who
 thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks
 of me, Christ in every eye that sees me,
 Christ in every ear that hears me. Amen.

ANTHEM "Everlasting God", *Tom Fettke, Composer*
 The Aldersgate Chorale

PRAYER for Extinguishing the 4th Lenten Candle (Unison)
 During this time of Lenten preparation, we think of those who turned away from the light of Jesus. And we remember that we, too, turn away. Throughout the life of Jesus, it is clear that the disciples never really "get it." They are unable to hear with their hearts the radical message of love Jesus brings. We, like the disciples of long ago, often close our hearts to the radical message of love that Jesus teaches. We lazily hate and offend. We purposefully hold on to our prejudices and anger. Darkness engulfs us. We extinguish the fourth candle, admitting our own lack of love and our closed hearts.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS The Invitational Committee

Introduction of New Members Ken and JoAnn Cowans
 Maxine Allen

Pastor: As members of this congregation, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and your witness?

New Members: I will.

Invitational Committee: Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

Congregation: We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our new covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Christ.

Pastor: Let us pray. The God of all grace, who has called us to follow Christ, be always with you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit that you may live in grace and peace. Amen.

Presentation of the Certificate The Invitational Committee

OUR TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Kim Galea
 (Children, please come forward.)

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 #553 – "Are We Yet Alive?" (vs. 1-2)**

SHARING OUR PRAYER CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Please sing)
 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. 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 Luke 15:1-10
 Page 73, New Testament, NVSV Holy Bible

Liturgist: The word of God, for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Who Told You That You Were Naked?"
Pastor Keith Hwang

SHARING OUR GOD-GIVEN RESOURCES (REGULAR AND ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERINGS)

(Today we will receive a special offering for One Great Hour of Sharing. Your contributions to One Great Hour of Sharing support the mission of United Methodist Commission on Relief (UMCOR). UMCOR is the United Methodist Church's disaster response team that actively provides humanitarian aid to the victims of disasters such as the earthquakes in Haiti and Chile. Use the special offering envelope included in the worship bulletin. Put the special offering envelopes along with your regular offering.)

OFFERTORY

Chorale Variations on "Herzlich tut mich verlangen"
J. Pachelbel, Composer
Hyeyeon Kim, Organist/Pianist

* **DOXOLOGY** (Unison)

**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 #378 – "Amazing Grace"**

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

POSTLUDE "Fantasia in G Minor", J. S. Bach, Composer
Hyeyeon Kim, Organist/Pianist

ASSISTING WITH THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP

Preacher: Pastor Keith Hwang
Liturgist: Greg Adamson
Director of Music: Matthew Ringer
Organist/Pianist: Hyeyeon Kim
The Aldersgate Chorale
Announcements: Mike Nichols
Children's Time: Kim Galea
Sound: Steve Freeland
Acolyte: Amanda Bankhead
Ushers: Floyd Allen, Captain; Maxine Allen,
Dona Anderson, Molly McClanhan



THIS MORNING'S ALTAR FLOWERS . . .

are presented by Susan Faber for Millie Faber on the occasion of her 16th birthday on March 22nd.

are presented by Penny and Don Lewallen in memory of Floyd Andreason and in honor of his birthday on March 12th.



PRAYER CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

Bruce Mueller has been diagnosed with cancer.
Tom Stodgel, Jr. as he battles cancer.
Louise Green from complications due to medication.
Larry Orr's mother, Betty, is in failing health in Park Vista.
Les Christensen is in Park Vista.
Ruth Rogers is recuperating at home.

F. I. E.

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.

Sunday School is available for Children grades Pre-K to 12th grade. Our Children and Youth leave to attend Sunday School after the Children's Time.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Women Alone Together will meet on Tuesday, March 16th at 8:30AM at Polly's Restaurant.

Join us in the South Lounge after Worship on Sunday, March 21st for our Lenten Potluck and Workshop.



Please contact **Molly McClanahan** (714-526-6559) for information on Holy Monday retreat - "Radical Acceptance: Praying with Wisdom Jesus" - at the Prince of Peace Abbey in Oceanside on March 29, 2010, 10:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. The retreat leader is the Rev. Judith Favor who is a spiritual guide, retreat leader and contemplative teacher. She is a pastor in the United Church of Christ.



We really need to add more Ushers to our team. Please contact our Head Usher, **Mary Marcus** at 714-447-0708 if interested in serving your church.



We also need a more volunteers to serve on our Sunday Secretary team. Please call the church office if you would like to serve or for more information.

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 the First 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 nigh Friday nights starting at 7:00PM in Room # 250.

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.

The first Saturday of each month is a paper drive with all proceeds going to support the "Chapel on Wheels" program. Paper of any kind is accepted from 9:00AM to Noon at the Southeast corner of Chapman and Raymond, Southeast corners of Chapman at Euclid and on Laguna Road between Valencia Mesa and Bastanchury.