Whether you come as a searcher, visitor, faithful member or friend, your presence expands our faith community and enriches the fellowship of this church. We welcome you in friendship and in faith. We care for you in spirit and in deed, through Jesus Christ, the foundation of our faith and our window upon spiritual life.

**January 19, 2020** 

Martin Luther King, Jr.

9:45 AM

As a courtesy to other worshipers, please turn your cell phones off or to vibrate.

Please do not take or post pictures and videos to media sites without permission first.

Thank you.

**PRELUDE** 

John Douglas and Jeffrey Segal

SHARING OF OUR FELLOWSHIP

Keni Cox, Vice-President

INTROIT I Will Celebrate

Chancel Choir

By Rita Baloche

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

David Letourneau, Liturgist

One: Today we honor the legacy of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

a Baptist minister who preached, taught and embodied nonviolent resistance to systemic racism and gnawing poverty in our society.

Many: So too, we are here to be inspired, encouraged and trained to

take on the mantle of justice and peace in our time and place.

One: From the beginning of the Civil Rights Movement, Martin Luther King,

Jr.'s work was oriented toward the creation of a society characterized by love and justice, a vision he called "the Beloved Community."

Many: Let our Church's work toward the Beloved Community continue.

One: Integration in both society and church includes not only people of

varying ethnicities and race, but also any excluded by gender identity

and sexual orientation, differing abilities, religion and beliefs.

Prayer: O God, we seek to know Your mysterious presence among us.

Call us again into the unending work of justice, peace and love. Teach us to delight in a diversity that offers glimpses of Your beautiful mosaic. Transform any despairing fatigue for goodness into hope-filled action. We ask this inspired by the

example of Jesus' disciple, Martin Luther King, Jr. Amen.

**OPENING SONG** (please stand) Let the Walls Fall Down

Please greet those around you after this song, and then be seated. Thank you.

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Mike Holland

Please sign the blue Fellowship Tablet at this time, pass it to the person next to you and return it to the center aisle when everyone has signed. We invite guests to share addresses and phone #s.

ANTHEM Total Praise!

Arr. by Dave Williamson

**Chancel Choir** 

## **SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION by Intinction**

All worshipers are invited to participate. Please come forward down the center aisle, row by row.

Break off a piece of bread, or take a gluten-free wafer, and either dip in chalice and eat,
or, eat piece of bread or gluten-free wafer, and then take a grape and eat.

When finished, please return to your seat by the outside aisle.
Those unable to come forward will be served where they are.

Invitation Pastor Mike Holland Prayer Lisa Letourneau, Elder

Words of Institution and Sharing of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks, gracious God, for refreshing us at Christ's table. Strengthen our faith, increase our love, and send us forth in peace and for justice. Amen.

CHURCH SCHOOL Children and youth are excused to Sunday School

Go, our children, with our blessing, God's light to be. Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free. Here the Spirit's power filled you, here with tender comfort stilled you. Go, our children, with our blessing, God's light to be. (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH, PLEASE STAY IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING)

#### **MORNING PRAYERS**

**Sharing Joys & Concerns** 

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**Pastoral Prayer** 

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace, Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy; O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Quiet Meditation

Exodus 3: 1-4, 7-8a, 13-14

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**MESSAGE** 

Letter to the White Church

Pastor Mike Holland

**HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP** 

God of Change and Glory

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(Please stand if able)

A TIME FOR GIVING (Online giving is also an option through churchofthefoothills.org)

Offertory

Pride. In the Name of Love

Jim Rosenquist

By Bono

Receiving of Gifts (please stand if able)

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks for the Holy One, Give thanks because God's given so much love to us. (repeat) (ending) Give Thanks!

BENEDICTION

Pastor Mike Holland

#### **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

We shall overcome, we shall overcome, we shall overcome some day; Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe, we shall overcome some day. We'll go hand in hand, we'll go hand in hand, we'll go hand in hand some day Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe we'll go hand in hand some day.

#### **POSTLUDE**

John Douglas and Jeffrey Segal

Anyone desiring to be a disciple of Christ and member of this church is encouraged to speak to the minister after the service.

Check the Kiosk outside for more info about our Progressive Christian faith.

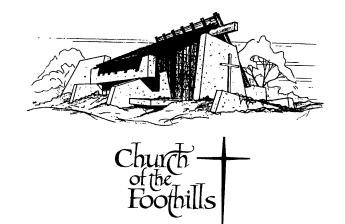
Everyone is invited to the Davis Hall after worship for coffee and refreshments.

Please place food or cash donations for those in need in the shopping cart.

Hear today's service from our website at: www.churchofthefoothills.org

Follow US!





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...with God's help, we seek to keep this a Christ-centered church with a warm and friendly heart, an open mind and an adventurous spirit.



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Rev. Nancy Brink, Rev. Susan Chamberlain, Rev. Bernie Davis, Rev. Dr. Duane Day, Rev. Barbara Grear, Rev. Dr. Jerry D. Martin, Ministers in Residence

Church of the Foothills is an accepting, caring, open and affirming Christian congregation, that welcomes and includes all people of every ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation, different disability, economic status or religious background.

# **Remembering in our Prayers**

Joan Kaul: Judy, Kelly & family, Susan & Larry, Dave & family, Kathy, Palbaum family, Marni & family, Judy L., Aunyx, Juan, Troy, SW, Mickey, Corky. Susan Richardson: cousin Becky's husband, Calvin for good health; for everyone going through changes in their lives. Carol Wilson: Kyle Gamez. Pastor Kel & Anthony. Kate McCloskey: Sarah Tyler & family. Robbie Arevalos. Elaine Bredenbeck: Paikoff family. Brenda: son Jesse. Suvan Geer: cousin Gina, McCracken family & brother-in-law James Geer. Bobbie Taylor: Ken Seymour & family. Bruce Borden & Gloria Wildman: family of Andrew Janssen. Sunny Erickson: friend Bonnie Baker. Lara McKinley: brother-in-law. Dale & Arlene Post: friend Paul Bos. Cindy Guziak: friend Janelle.

Anyone wanting to add a name to our Prayer List may use the Cards available in the pew racks; please fill out and place in offering plate.

# Scripture Reading for Today: Exodus 3:1-4, 7-8a, 13-14

<sup>3</sup>Moses was taking care of the flock for his father-in-law Jethro, Midian's priest. He led his flock out to the edge of the desert, and he came to God's mountain called Horeb. <sup>2</sup>The LORD's messenger appeared to him in a flame of fire in the middle of a bush. Moses saw that the bush was in flames, but it didn't burn up. <sup>3</sup>Then Moses said to himself, Let me check out this amazing sight and find out why the bush isn't burning up. 4When the LORD saw that he was coming to look, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" <sup>7</sup>Then the LORD said, "I've clearly seen my people oppressed in Egypt. I've heard their cry of injustice because of their slave masters. I know about their pain. 81've come down to rescue them from the Egyptians in order to take them out of that land and bring them to a good and broad land, a land that's full of milk and honey. <sup>13</sup>But Moses said to God, "If I now come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' they are going to ask me, 'What's this God's name?' What am I supposed to say to them?" <sup>14</sup>God said to Moses, "I Am Who I Am. So say to the Israelites, 'I Am has sent me to you.'" 15God continued, "Say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, Abraham's God, Isaac's God, and Jacob's God, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever; this is how all generations will remember me.

#### In Need of Prayers?

If you would like to request prayers for yourself or others, please contact the church office at <a href="mailto:churchoffice@chotf.org">chotf.org</a> or 714-544-1319.

#### **Our Philosophy of Worship**

Recognizing the diversity of personal preferences, taste and interest in the people who worship here at Church of the Foothills, we are committed to a "blended" approach in our service that includes traditional, classical, contemporary, gospel, folk, modern, and other types of music. We hope the richness of the worship experience will enhance the spiritual life and faith of all who participate. Please address any suggestions, questions or concerns to Pastor Mike, the Elders or the Worship Committee. Thank you for participating in our worship service today.

#### The Use of Inclusive Language

Our church believes the Holy or Divine Spirit can be experienced as both male and female gender. We use inclusive language such as God, Goddess, Creator, Christ, Logos or Sophia to express the universal nature of this Spirit. Sophia (Greek word for Wisdom) is used for Christ in the New Testament.

**Small Group Ministries** provide opportunity to share spiritual fellowship, activities, support and mission projects with others. For more information about the following Small Group Ministries, please contact:

Bridge Club Chancel Choir Christian Women's Fellowship (CWF)

Family Promise (homeless families with children)

Hearts & Minds (compassionate listening)
Mixed Media (arts, plays, movies)
Monday Night Study Group
ONA (LGBTQI) Ministry

PB&J (Peace, Benevolence & Justice)

Sacred Seasons Center & OCICE Soup Kitchen (feeding the homeless) Tina Peterson
Lynn Stiegler
Andy Bartley
Malia Cary
Suvan Geer
Kathy Dunlap
Lianne Oakes
Carmen Mercado
Rosadelia Mercado

Gloria Wildman

Sunny Erickson
Suvan Geer

Rev. Susan Chamberlain

Dan Griset

In addition to Small Groups, Church of the Foothills offers a host of Ministry Teams opportunities as a way to be involved in church, community and around the world for peace, love and justice. Just complete and turn in the **Passion and Gifts Survey on the table in the Narthex.** Thanks

# **WELCOME!**

We are glad you are with us this morning. Please use the blue Friendship Booklet from the pew rack:

- To include your name, address and phone number
- To get a message to the minister
- To indicate your interest in church membership

If you are a visitor, please take one of the name badges (located in the Friendship Booklet) write your name on it and wear it so that we may recognize you as our quest, greet you by name and extend to you our hand of friendship. Packets for visitors are available outside the sanctuary at the Information Booth and by the board for name tags. Telex Sound Enhancement receivers are available in the narthex for the convenience of the hearing impaired.

Infant & Toddler care is offered in the nursery.

Need someone to talk with about life and faith? For pastoral assistance: Pastor Mike is available during office hours of 9-2, M-T-Th; for other times call 714-423-0182. For an Elder, call the church office at 714-544-1319. Peace to you.

Flowers are generously given today by Kelly Von Hemert.

Greeter: Jim Peterson

Elders for the week: David and Lisa Letourneau

Communion Preparation: Maureen Rosenguist and Maureen Provencher Justin Underwood, Dean Delgado, María Pérez, AV Technicians:

Anthony Henderson & Krista Owens

Digital Recording: Justin Underwood

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES, January 19 -- 25, 2020

**Today 1/19** 9:45 AM Morning Worship, Communion

**10:00 AM** Sunday School - Ages Pre-K through Senior High

(Nurserv available for infants & toddlers)

11:00 AM Fellowship/Coffee time - Davis Hall

**UCC Winter Wonder Camp** – Pilgrim Pines

Church Office Closed For Martin Luther King, Jr holiday Mon. 1/20 Tues. 1/21 10:30 AM Global Ministries Mtg. - Fireside Room

> 7:00 PM Cabinet Mtg. -- Library

Wed. 1/22 SUNDAY BULLETIN AND WEEKLY E-REMINDER ARTICLES DUE

**FOOTPRINTS DEADLINE** 

10:00 AM CWF - Fireside Room 7:00 PM Choir Practice - Sanctuary

# **Ministry Opportunities**

No Hearts & Minds meeting today – next gathering will be Sunday, Feb. 16.



MONDAY, JANUARY 20: Church Office Closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr holiday.

TUESDAY, January 28: CPK FUNDRAISER: Main Place Mall in Orange. Anytime



11 AM to 10 PM. Reminder Flyers will be emailed out, or check Narthex soon, or be sure to tell them you are with the church. CPK will credit 20% of whatever is spent, excluding alcohol.

Enjoy good food, good fellowship, and funds from the CPK fundraiser will go to our LGBTQI Open and Affirming ministry.

## FAMILY PROMISE here at our CHURCH January 26 – February 2

Family Promise is our ministry to families in housing transition. Help prepare to



welcome our quest families by signing up to volunteer for meals, setup, cleanup, and overnight stays, OR donate SCRIP GIFT cards to STATER BROS or TARGET for groceries and essentials (give all SCRIP to Malia & Andy), OR make a monetary donation (make checks out to Church of the Foothills

and designate for Family Promise)

There is still time to register for the Global Ministries Just Peace mission trip to Palestine/Israel June 1-12, led by Pastor Mike and Rev. Nancy Fowler, Cost is lowered to \$3,000 for a shared room and \$3,320 single. Scholarships are Available Deadline to register is Jan 31. Contact Pastor Mike at drmholland91@gmail.com

ATTENTION NEWCOMERS TO OUR CHURCH: Want to know more about the Progressive Christian Movement, the Wisdom of Jesus, and our Church of the Foothills? Pastor Mike will lead four *Inquirers Classes* starting Sunday, February 23 in the Fireside Room of Davis Hall from 11:15 AM until 12:15 PM. Childcare provided.

#### STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Our theme for 2020 is Building Community, Bettering the World Our goal is to raise a minimum of \$225,000 in pledges. Received to date: 62 pledges, \$174,858

Please place all completed Estimate of Giving Cards in the offering plates. or send to the church office. Cards are also in the narthex.