

Whether you come as a searcher, stranger, 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 26, 2020 Third Sunday after Epiphany 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** *Seek Ye First* Chancel Choir  
By Karen Lafferty, Arr. by Douglas Wagner

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Lisa Letourneau, Liturgist

One: In our gathering we are blessed to listen for God's whispering, to discern God's desires, and to worship and serve with God's people.

**Many: We are members of Christ's body, Christ's family, Christ's church.**

One: The Spirit of the Lord is upon us, and we have been inspired to bring good news to each seeker and recovery of hope to every person.

**Many: May the words of our mouths and the meditations in our hearts delight our Goddess, Creator and Sustainer of life and love.**

One: Let us worship in truth and in Spirit because life depends on it.

**Prayer: Mysterious God, our desire is to become more Christ-like in our hearts, minds, spirits and actions. Give us listening hearts, wisdom to know the right thing to do, and hands open to extend grace to others. Empower us with boldness in the struggle for the well-being of all. Let our faith result in affirmation of the common good – that what is good and available for one will be good and available to all. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

**OPENING SONG** (please stand if able) *I Will Celebrate* #56 Chalice Praise  
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** *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace* Chancel Choir  
By Sebastian Temple, Arr. by Mark Hayes

**CHILDREN & YOUTH MOMENT with Robbie Arevalos, Youth Director**

**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.**

**MORNING PRAYERS**

**Sharing Joys & Concerns** The Congregation

***Cards are available in the pew racks; please fill out and place in offering plate.***

Joan Kaul: Judy, Kelly & family, Susan & Larry, Dave & family, Kathy, Palbaum family, Marni & family, Judy L., Aunyx, Juan, Troy, SW, Mickey, Family of 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. Cindy Jayson: Bethany Pugsley. Dale & Arlene Post: Glo Bos. Lianne Oakes: friend Linda Eldridge passed away last week. Sallie Coltrin: friend Nancy Ryder. Miguel Magaña: Rita Wulliman and John & Matthew Schaefer. Raul Rodriguez: my dad. Marion Barstow: sister Janice in Hospice.

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer (Unison)**

(Feel free to address God in the manner of your choosing: Father, Mother, Creator, etc.)

***Our God, 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.***

**Quiet Meditation**

**READING** Matthew 4:12-17

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## MESSAGE

*A Vision of the Future*

Pastor Mike Holland

## HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP

*In the Midst of New Dimensions*

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(please stand if able)

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## A TIME FOR GIVING

(Online giving is also an option through [churchofthefoothills.org](http://churchofthefoothills.org))

Sharing Our Faith

David Letourneau, Elder

Offertory

John Douglas and Jeffrey Segal

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

***Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;  
I can feel God's mighty power and God's grace.  
I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face;  
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. (Repeat)***

## 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.*

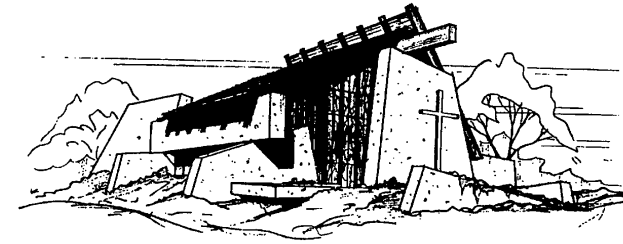
Check the Kiosk outside for more info about our Progressive Christian faith.

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](http://www.churchofthefoothills.org)

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of the  
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**United Church of Christ, Disciples of Christ**

**A Progressive, Open and Affirming and Global Ministries Church**

*...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. Kel Henderson, Minister of Family Life

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Tina Peterson, Director of Music Ministries

John Douglas, Organist

Jeff Segal, Drummer

Marci Carey, Preschool Director

Kathy Vail, Office Manager

Dana & Jordan Block, Childcare Personnel

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 ability, economic status or religious background.*

## MONDAY NIGHT STUDY GROUP

January 27, 2020

All are invited to join the conversation. Topic for January 27: "Privilege Revisited." We welcome local educator, Nora Griffin who will facilitate the evening's discussion and activities. Nora teaches Sociology and Gender Studies at Cal State, Long Beach; Cal State, Fullerton; and Santiago College. Potluck: 6:30 pm; Discussion only, 7:15 pm. Susan and Bill Richardson's home.



### 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, 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.

**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.

**ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CABINET:** In an effort to save paper, energy (and money) which is good for the environment (and bottom line), and to take full advantage of our new audio-visual system, **bulletins will not be printed in Feb.** This is an experiment to see if we can make do without a weekly printed bulletin. A one-page handout will be available still with announcements and important information that may be taken home as reminders on desks and refrigerators. As always, the Cabinet appreciates that our congregation is a church with a warm heart, an open mind and an adventurous spirit willingness to try new things.

### 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: **63 pledges, \$175,614**. Please place all completed *Estimate of Giving Cards* in the offering plates, or send to the church office. Cards are also in narthex. Thanks for your support – Finance Ministry

## Matthew 4:12-17

<sup>12</sup>Upon hearing that John was arrested, Jesus went to Galilee. <sup>13</sup>Jesus left Nazareth and settled in Capernaum, which lies alongside the sea in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali. <sup>14</sup>This fulfilled what Isaiah the prophet said: <sup>15</sup>*Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, alongside the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles,* <sup>16</sup>*the people who lived in the dark have seen a great light, and a light has come upon those who lived in the region and in shadow of death.* <sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to announce, "Change your hearts and lives! Here comes the kingdom of heaven!"

**In Need of Prayers?** If you would like to request prayers for yourself or others, please contact the church office at [churchoffice@chotf.org](mailto:churchoffice@chotf.org) or 714-544-1319.

### 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.

### 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.

**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**

**Gloria Wildman**

**Tina Peterson**

**Lynn Stiegler**

**Andy Bartley**

**Malia Cary**

**Suvan Geer**

**Kathy Dunlap**

**Lianne Oakes**

**Carmen Mercado**

**Rosadelia Mercado**

**Sunny Erickson**

**Suvan Geer**

**Rev. Susan Chamberlain**

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 guest, 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 Carol Wilson.

Greeter:	Jim Peterson
Elders for the week:	David and Lisa Letourneau
AV Technicians:	Justin Underwood, Dean Delgado, María Pérez, Anthony Henderson & Krista Owens
Digital Recording:	Justin Underwood

## FAMILY PROMISE DAILY:

Davis Hall, Kitchen, JR, Fireside Room, Library & Choir Room

### THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES, January 26 – February 1, 2020

Today 1/26	9:45 AM	Morning Worship
	10:00 AM	Sunday School - Ages Pre-K through Senior High (Nursery available for infants & toddlers)
	11:00 AM	Fellowship/Coffee time - Davis Hall Western Service Workers – Davis Hall
	12:00 PM	LGBTQI Open and Affirming Potluck – MacLean's home Family Promise arrives
Mon. 1/27	6:30 PM	Monday Night Study Group – Richardson's home
Tues. 1/28	11:00 AM	CPK Fundraiser – Take a Flyer
Wed. 1/29		<b>SUNDAY BULLETIN AND WEEKLY E-REMINDER ARTICLES DUE</b>
	9:30 AM	Western Service Workers – Tamales -- Kitchen
	7:00 PM	Choir Practice - Sanctuary
Thurs. 1/30	9:30 AM	Western Service Workers – Tamales -- Kitchen
Fri. 1/31	9:30 AM	Western Service Workers – Tamales -- Kitchen
Sat. 2/1	9:30 AM	Western Service Workers – Tamales -- Kitchen

# Ministry Opportunities

## TODAY:

**Western Service Workers Association's (WSWA's) Annual Super Bowl Tamale Benefit.** Orders tamales in Davis Hall: A dozen tamales- \$20, 1/2 a dozen, \$10, suggested donations. Types: Chicken with green salsa, and bean & jalapeno (vegan). Pick-up: February 2 after church. Volunteers needed: learn how to make tamales January 29 thru February 1, 9:30 AM –4:30 PM in Davis Hall.

**12:00 PM LGBTQI OPEN AND AFFIRMING MINISTRY POTLUCK**  
at home of CJ & Denise MacLean. **EVERYONE INVITED!**

## FAMILY PROMISE ARRIVES TONIGHT: Here's How to help:

**SETUP:** Andy is out of town, so Malia will need lots of help **setting up** and preparing the rooms (blowing up air mattresses, making beds). Come help 1/26 from 3-4pm.

**MEALS:** A **meal volunteer** needed for Dinner service on Saturday, February 1st. Can't stay for dinner? That's ok! Just provide the food for the families on that day.

**DONATIONS:** **SCRIP** to Stater Brothers for groceries. **Cash donations** will be used to clean carpets in Junior High and Fireside Rooms before our next hosting in March. The families stay in these rooms and the carpets are in need of a little TLC. Please make cash/check donations to the church and be sure to designate for 'Family Promise.' Thank you all! ~ Malia Cary, Co-Coordinator Family Promise Ministry

**Jan. 31 is the Deadline 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 Available* Contact Pastor Mike at [drmholand91@gmail.com](mailto:drmholand91@gmail.com)



**SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY** is next week, don't forget to bring your can to church!

**CHURCH WORKDAY, Feb. 29:** Come on Leap Day this year and help improve the look and condition of our Church. This only happens once every 28 years (Leap day on a Saturday). Celebrate this special occasion by helping the church. We have lots of work project to be done, from regular maintenance to some minor building repair. If you have tools for tree trimming, digging or cleaning please bring them.

~ Justin Underwood, Property Ministry Chair