

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 5, 2020

New Year's Sunday

9:45 AM

As a courtesy to other worshippers, 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

SHARING OF OUR FELLOWSHIP Keni Cox, Vice-President

INTROIT *Morning Star* John Douglas
By Dan Burgess

CALL TO WORSHIP Lisa Letourneau, Liturgist

- One: For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven, a time to be born, and a time to die;
- Many:** **a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;**
- One: a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
- Many:** **a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep and a time to throw away;**
- One: a time to tear, a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

Prayer: We give thanks, O God, that divine hopes for the world are larger than our own. By Your Spirit, invite us on into more creative and compassionate lives. Eternally invite us to move towards the goal of building a true community of all things and all people – a dream that calls to us each day. Come to us now. Enter every struggle that lies here that we may embrace it with courage. Enter every decision that is made among us and enhance it with wisdom, as we offer this moment in our lives to You and to each other. Amen.

OPENING SONG (please stand) Come, Now is the Time to Worship
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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Polonaise in C minor
By Chopin

John Douglas

CHILDREN & YOUTH MOMENT with Pastor Mike

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. Susan Richardson: cousin Becky Scott's surgery 12/26 & her husband Calvin for good health. Carol Wilson: Kyle Gamez. Pastor Kel & Anthony. Kate McCloskey: Sarah Tyler & family. Robbie Arevalos. Elaine Bredenbeck: Paikoff family. Brenda: son Jesse. Jim Guziak. Suvan Geer: cousin Gina, McCracken family & brother-in-law James Geer. Bobbie Taylor: Ken Seymour & family. Lynn Stiegler: cousin Betty & family, niece Christy's family. Dale & Arlene Post: Paul Bos. Lianne Oakes: celebrating my dad's 95th birthday; cousin Al. Bruce Borden & Gloria Wildman: sudden death of son-in-law Andrew Janssen in Kula Hawaii in a bicycle vs. truck accident.

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer, a version by Rev. Barbara Grear

Creating God, whose heaven surrounds us: hallowed is Your Name. May Your Love come into fullness; May Your Will be chosen, in this moment and all moments to come. Thank You for our daily bread. As we receive Your mercy toward us, help us to open our hearts in mercy to others. Lead us to choose Your right actions. And deliver us from any separation. For earth, heaven and universe beyond imagination are Your dwelling place. Your persuasive power of love and Your awesome delight are forever and ever. Amen.

Quiet Meditation Psalm 32:8; Jeremiah 29:11; Philippians 4:6-8 Page 3 of Insert

MESSAGE

Change, Change, Change...

Pastor Mike Holland

HYMN OF COMMUNION (please stand) *Come, Share the Bread*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

All worshipers are invited to participate. We partake of the bread as it is passed, then hold the cup so that we may drink as "one" at the direction of the pastor.

Invitation Pastor Mike Holland
Prayer David Letourneau, Elder

Words of Institution and Sharing of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

***Spirit of All Life, make us mindful of our oneness with all creation,
so this meal becomes a true communion that makes every tomorrow possible.***

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

Offertory John Douglas
Lotus Land
By Cyril Scott

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/CHORAL 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

Prelude in Fugue in D major John Douglas
By J. S. Bach

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

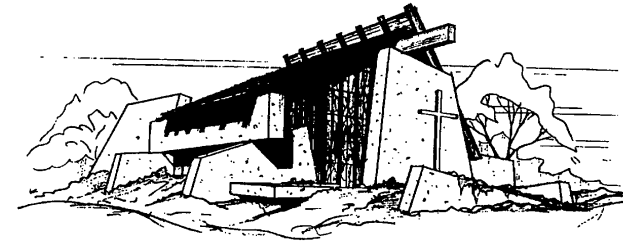
Check the Kiosk outside for more info about our Progressive Christian faith.

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

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Church
of the
Foothills

**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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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*

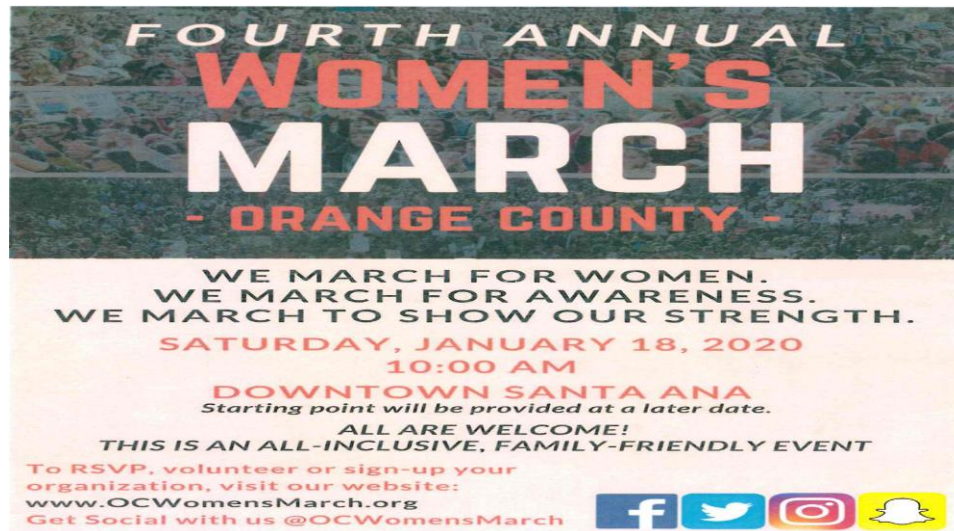
*Church of the Foothills is an accepting, caring, open and affirming Christian congregation,
that welcomes and includes all people of every ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation,
different ability, economic status or religious background.*

Congregational Planning Meeting

Sunday, Jan 26, 11:15 AM to 12:30 PM

- New Year is a great time to gather as a congregation and assess where we are and where we want to go: What new dreams we can build upon?
- The Cabinet and Pastors Mike and Kel will present a new Collaborative approach to ministries that moves us beyond the walls of our own buildings.
- Finance Ministry and Jerry Wolfe will facilitate discussion about a new Capital Campaign to update our facilities and grounds for a new decade.
- A chance for everyone to share the hearts and minds of our creative folks.

Child care provided. Mark your calendars now, thanks.



See Susan Richardson

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.

Psalm 32:8; Jeremiah 29:11; Philippians 4:6-8

Psalm 32:8: I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

Jeremiah 29:11: For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.

Philippians 4:6-8: Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

In Need of Prayers?

If you would like to request prayers for yourself or others, please contact the church office at 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.

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

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
Dan Grisct

PB&J (Peace, Benevolence & Justice)

Sacred Seasons Center & OCICE
Soup Kitchen (feeding the homeless)

In addition to Small Groups, Church of the Foothills offers a host of Ministry Team 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 Pamela Galera.

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

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES, January 5 -- 11, 2019

Today 1/5	9:45 AM	Morning Worship, Communion
	10:00 AM	Sunday School - Ages Pre-K through Senior High (Nursery available for infants & toddlers)
	11:00 AM	Fellowship/Coffee time - Davis Hall
Mon.1/6	7:00 PM	PB&J -- Library
Tues. 1/7	4:00 PM	Ruby's Night – Take a red flyer
Wed.1/8		SUNDAY BULLETIN AND WEEKLY E-REMINER ARTICLES DUE
	10:00 AM	CFW – Fireside Room
	7:00 PM	Choir Practice - Sanctuary
Sat.1/11	5:30 PM	Mixed Media – Dunlap's home

Ministry Opportunities



JOIN CHURCH FRIENDS at Ruby's Diner this **Tues., January 7, 4-7 PM** for a fun, tasty & enjoyable way **to raise funds for student scholarships to church camps.** Pick up a red flyer in the Narthex today. Dine-in or take-out! 13102 Newport Ave., Tustin, 714-838-7829. Invite family and friends

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: 55 pledges, \$164, 038

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

TWO GLOBAL MINISTRIES MISSION TRIPS PLANNED FOR 2020:

(Scholarships available if needed)

Nicaragua Clean Water Project Feb 11-19 led by Mike Fronk & David Roger. \$1,800. Deadline to register: Dec. 31. Contact Mike Fronk: mikef@fccpomona.org.

Palestine/Israel Just Peace June 1-12, led by Pastor Mike and Rev. Nancy Fowler, \$3,500. Deadline to register Jan 31. Contact Pastor Mike at drmholland91@gmail.com

Life is an amazing race that offers tons of adventures and obstacles. This year at Winter Camp, family group teams will compete in scavenger hunts, escape rooms, obstacle courses, and more to achieve the impossible together! Reserve your spot in the Amazing Race and create memories that will last a lifetime. It is going to be truly amazing! **Check in** Friday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m. | **Check out** Monday, January 20 at 11:00 a.m. Cost is \$200. *Payment plans are available.* To register: www.disciplespswr.org/camp



FAMILY PROMISE HERE AT THE CHURCH January 26 – February 2



Family Promise is our ministry to families in housing transition. Help prepare to welcome our guest families. Sign up to volunteer for meals, setup, cleanup, and overnight stays. SCRIP donations appreciated to STATER BROS & TARGET as they are best for groceries and essentials. Please give all SCRIP to Malia & Andy.