

Announcements

Today's Chancel Flowers are given by Carolyn Croom in memory of Tom Croom "Through the Years."

Music Ministry Gifts. Thank you to all our musicians for a glorious Christmas concert. If you would like to support our music ministry with a gift to the music ministry designated fund, you may place your envelope in the offering plate or turn it in to the church office.

HIS-OC Giving Tree. We are celebrating again this year the lighting of the Giving Tree. Children being served by HIS-OC have made their Christmas "wish." Bring your unwrapped gift to church by next Sunday, December 10.

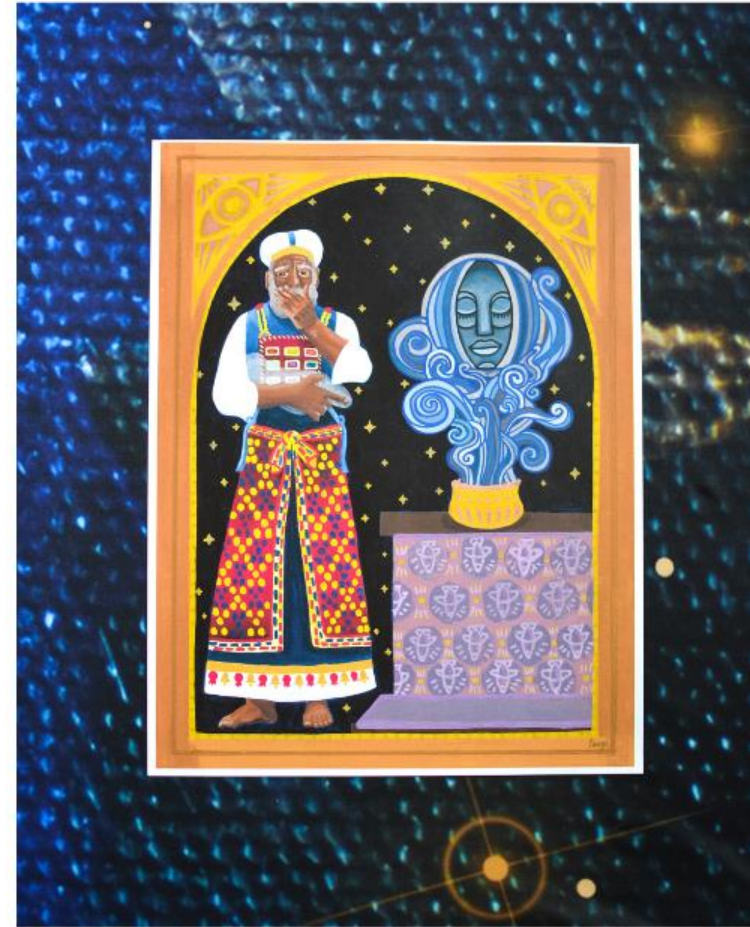
Advent Activities. Today, join us in the MPR after worship to come together in gentle relationship, supported by activities that extend our engagement in the scripture of the day. For the rest of Advent, visit the Christian Education room.

Cookie Exchange. Monday, December 4 at 5:30 p.m. All are invited to a festive evening with dinner, dessert, entertainment, and fellowship. If you would like, bring 3 to 6 dozen cookies (homemade, bakery or store-bought). Three dozen of your cookies (please pack separately) will be donated to WISE Place and HIS OC. Bring your friends, family, and neighbors! Cookies are not required to attend!

Service for the Weary. Saturday, December 16 at 2:00 p.m. For those who have experienced loss, the joy of the holiday season can often feel elusive and out of reach. This service provides space for prayer, reflection and remembrance amidst the holiday hustle and bustle.

Christmas Eve Worship. Sunday, December 24 at 7:00 p.m. Celebrate the birth of Christ with a glorious worship service filled with carols, communion, and candles.

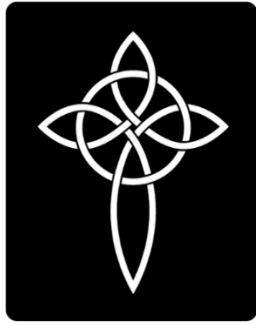
Year-End Giving. As we close the year and welcome the new one, consider a year-end donation to YLPC. If you wish to see your year-end gift in your 2023 contribution statement, please submit it to the church office by Sunday, December 31. If you are using automatic bill-pay, be sure to check the date it goes out to allow time for processing.



First Sunday of Advent

YORBA LINDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 3, 2023



YORBA LINDA
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
worship equip love

December 3, 2023
 *Please stand as you are able
Congregation reads text in bold italics

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

Rev. Lynn Stone

BELL PRELUDE

In The Bleak Midwinter
 Gloria Ringers - Roxanne Ford, director

Arr. Matthew Prine

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Mike Jacobs

Leader: In God's house, we can be weary.
 People: ***We can be anxious.***
We can be grieving.

Leader: In God's house, we can be joyful.
 People: ***We can be grateful.***
We can be hopeful.

Leader: In God's house, we can be honest –
 People: ***inspired or tired,***
delighted or doubtful,
connected or curious,
and everything in between.

Leader: This is God's house. You are welcome exactly as you are.

CANDLE LIGHTING

Terry & Chris Sutton

*Hope blooms in a weary world
 when creatures, once forlorn, find wilderness reborn.
 Hope booms in a weary world: the promised green of Eden comes.*

Upcoming Events

Sundays @ 8:30 a.m.
 Sundays @ 9:30 a.m.
 Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.
 Sundays @ 11:30 a.m.
 Thursdays @ 9:30 a.m.
 Thursdays @ 6:00 p.m.
 Thursdays @ 7:00 p.m.
 Monday, December 4 @ 5:30 p.m.
 Tuesday, December 5 @ 7:15 p.m.
 Wednesday, December 6 @ 9:00 a.m.
 Wednesday, December 6 @ 6:00 p.m.
 Monday, December 11 @ 4:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, December 12 @ 3:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, December 12 @ 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday, December 13 @ 2:00 p.m.
 Wednesday, December 13 @ 6:00 p.m.
 Saturday, December 16 @ 8:00 a.m.
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Chancel Choir Warm Up
 Worship Service
 Youth Group
 Choral Scholars
 TLC Bible Study
 Gloria Ringers Rehearsal
 Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 PW Cookie Exchange
 Worship Committee Meeting
 Blessed Connections via Zoom
 Deacons' Meeting
 Caregiver's Support Group
 Nominating Committee Meeting
 PW Christmas Dinner
 Mission Committee Meeting
 Stewardship Committee Meeting
 Men's Fellowship
 A Service for the Weary

Worship God.
Equip Disciples.
Love and Serve the World.

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Kim Wisnia, Director of Spiritual Engagement
Jennifer Acosta-Licea, Office Manager
Rev. Lynn Stone, Pastor

***GLORIA**

Stuttgart



Hon - or, glo - ry, might, do - min - ion to the Fa - ther and the Son.



With the ev - er liv - ing Spi - rit while e - ter - nal ag - es run.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM

Advent

Douglas E. Wagner

WORSHIP IN ACTION

Kim Wisnia

SCRIPTURE

Luke 1:1-23

SERMON

We Acknowledge Our Weariness

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*We believe in a God who hears our prayers,
who knows the shape and form of our weariness.*

*We believe in a God who wants joy and delight for us,
not just survival and existence.*

*We believe in a God who looks ahead,
who is not done dreaming for the world –
a God who spends hope in the form of people and change,
movements and Spirit.*

*And so we return to this space.
We bring our joy and our weariness
like two sides of the same coin,
and we trust that God is already at work.*

*Yes, we believe in a God who hears our prayers.
Thanks be to God for a love like that.
Amen.*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communion Meditation

Robert Wetzler

Take of the Wonder

Prayer After Communion

*God our hope, we give you thanks that you have given us this foretaste of the
righteousness, and peace of your promised new creation. Strengthen us as we
seek to serve your holy realm. Lead us to live in joyful expectation of the coming
again in glory of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*