

 **St. Matthew's United Methodist Church**
open hearts, open minds, open doors

Order of Worship
5th Sunday of Lent
April 3, 2022

I See All the People: Mary is devoted to Jesus, becomes the teacher.

Prelude Kevin Su Fukagawa
Welcome Meribeth Freeman
***Call to Worship** Christy Whisman

The Lord be with you
And also with you
The Lord pour out the Holy Spirit
That we are filled and overflowing onto others

***Opening Prayer**

Dear Heavenly Father,
We lift up to you the families of our church. We ask that you continue to help them through challenges in these busy days and difficult times.
When they become disheartened, when healing and wholeness are delayed, when additional medicine or therapy intervention is needed when things don't go the expected way,
We ask you to speak encouragement to all our hearts and impart wisdom to all caregivers. We want them to feel your presence and draw strength from the fact that you are near. In Jesus's name. Amen

***Opening Hymn "Spirit Song"**

Hymnal #347

Verse 1

Oh let the Son of God enfold you
With His Spirit and His love
Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul
Oh let Him have those things that hold you
And His Spirit like a dove
Will descend upon your life and make you whole

Chorus

Jesus oh Jesus, Come and fill Your lambs
Jesus oh Jesus, Come and fill Your lambs

Verse 2

Oh come and sing this song with gladness
As your hearts are filled with joy
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name
Oh give Him all your tears and sadness
Give Him all your years of pain
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name

Chorus

Jesus oh Jesus, Come and fill Your lambs
Jesus oh Jesus, Come and fill Your lambs

Ministry Message: Easter Meals

Barbara Karplus

Children's Message



*Scripture: John 12:1-11

Christy Whisman

12 Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. 2 There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. 3 Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. 4 But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 5 "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" 6 (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) 7 Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. 8 You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

9 When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. 10 So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well, 11 since it was on account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus.

Special Music: "The Holy City"

performed by Wendy Kaszycki

Sermon "**See All The People**: Who Is Teaching Now?"

Pastor Jim Powell

Holy Communion

Moving into a Spirit of Prayer

Covenant Prayers for Cal-Pac Conference UMC Churches

Meribeth Freeman

First UMC Pasadena and First UMC Reseda

Pastoral Prayers

NEW PRAISE AND PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAISE Ron is cancer free! (McMahon)

Phyllis in ICU with pancreatic cancer, and for husband Charlie (friends of the McEacherns)

Mary Ann Paguio success with her nursing exams (Emmie St. Ledger)

Joanne frustrated in needing further care after hip surgery (Stone)

CONTINUED PRAYERS

The need for staff positions of Music Director, Family Ministry and Nursery Care

Chuck healing and awaiting test results after surgery (Qualls)

Babara recovery from a broken collarbone (Karplus)

Gonzalo with a diagnosis of Non Hodgkin's Lymphoma (friend of the McEacherns)

Lynn who fell and has a fracture causing a lot of pain (Janice McMahon's sister)

Leslie with breathing problems and concern about spots on her lung (Hartley)

The family of Katie, 22yr old upon her passing (NP Myers family, suicide)

Carole healing after a fall (Dyer, M-I-L of Debi Dyer)

Ruby recovering from a mastectomy (Paguio, Emmie St. Ledger's cousin)

Kathy recovery from surgery of a torn ankle tendon (Martin)

Judy recovery from carotid artery surgery (Abraham)

Tom recovery from a bike accident (Wendy K's daughter-in-law's brother)

Valledares family member institutionalized with Anorexia (Taty's Granddaughter)

John bedridden in a nursing home (Thompson, friend of Roger T)

Carol's mother in Hospice (Tripp)

Richard's mother in Hospice (Overton)

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IN CANCER TREATMENT

Donna D, Debbie, Gary K, JoAnn Y, Joshua (Leslie's son), Ruby (cousin of Emmie), Ariel (friend of Pam M), Pat (Dan O's family), Dick, Romana and Bob (friends of McEachern's), Toni, Sylvia (friend of Pam P), Stephnia, Brandon, Lynne (Friends of Casey), Joey (Friend of Taty) and Melissa (Pastor Bob & Beth Ferguson's D-I-L)

Moving Beyond a Spirit of Prayer

Invitation to Give our Blessings back to God
Offertory

Meribeth Freeman
Kevin Su Fukagawa

***Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"**
*Blessing of our Gifts and Tithes

Hymnal #95

***Closing Hymn "The Summons"**

TFWS #2130

Verse 1

**Will you come and follow Me
If I but call your name
Will you go where you don't know
And never be the same
Will you let My love be shown
Will you let My name be known
Will you let My life be grown
In you and you in Me**

Verse 2

**Will you leave yourself behind
If I but call your name
Will you care for cruel and kind
And never be the same
Will you risk the hostile stare
Should your life attract or scare
Will you let Me answer prayer
In you and you in Me**

Verse 3

**Will you let the blinded see
If I but call your name
Will you set the prisoners free
And never be the same
Will you kiss the leper clean
And do such as this unseen
And admit to what I mean
In you and you in Me**

Verse 4

**Will you love the you you hide
If I but call your name
Will you quell the fear inside
And never be the same
Will you use the faith you've found
To reshape the world around
Through My sight and touch and sound
In you and you in Me**

Verse 5

**Lord Your summons echoes true
When You but call my name
Let me turn and follow You
And never be the same
In Your company I'll go
Where Your love and footsteps show
Thus I'll move and live and grow
In You and You in me**



***Benediction**

Pastor Jim Powell

Ministry and Life of the Church Announcements

Meribeth Freeman

Postlude

Kevin Su Fukagawa



Ministry and Life of the Church Announcements

4/6 Conejo Connect Intergenerational Family Ministry at 5:30pm with a meal
 4/9 Women's Breakfast at Pickles 9am (RSVP with Kathy Martin)
 4/10 Palm Sunday
 4/14 Maundy Thursday at UMCTO 7pm
 4/14 Good Friday at WVUMC 7pm
 4/17 Easter 6:30am, 10am
 4/27 Conejo Connect moves to UMCTO weeks at 5:30pm with a meal
 5/1 Church Council Retreat 12-3pm
 Wednesdays Men's Study at 11am in the Fireside Room
 Thursdays Women's Study "Strength to Love" at 11am on ZOOM
 Birthdays: 4-6 Steve Cooley, 4-7 Maren Jacobson & Betty Howard, Bill Kaszycki, 4-9 Faye Zimmerman, 4-10 Delia Kellogg & Keith Wilson, 4-11 Stephanie Powell



ALL YOUTH 6TH GRADE AND OLDER ARE INVITED

CONEJO CONNECT

COLLABORATIVE CONFIRMATION

Join us for a unique 6 week experience exploring questions of faith and thinking about what it means to join the church with weekly gatherings & One weekend retreat

Dates and Times to be determined by the availability of those interested

Tentatively from the week of April 24 through Confirmation on June 5th

To sign up or ask questions contact Pastor Rachel: PastorRachelTabutol@gmail.com

A Collaboration of St. Matthews UMC, UMCTO, and UMCWV

Holy Week

April 14th- Maundy Thursday 7pm at Thousand Oaks UMC
 April 15th- Good Friday 7pm at Westlake Village UMC
 April 17th- Easter 6:30am, 10:00am at St. Matthew's UMC (each church will host their own Easter Services)

Thank you Meribeth, Christy & Barbara for leading us in worship, Pastor Jim Powell for the Sermon and Kevin Su Fukagawa for our music

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