



# St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

*Welcome Home*

## Order of Worship

December 18, 2022

*Joseph and Mary used what they had to prepare for their first born.*

*God only expects faithfulness- not perfect festivities.*

Prelude

Kevin Su Fukagawa

Welcome

Linda Domes

### \*Call to Worship

The Lord be with you

**And Also with you**

The Call of the Lord is upon us

**Stir up in us the strength to respond!**

Ryan Blanck

*4th Sunday of Advent*

### \*Opening Prayer

Holy One, you send us new life in so many forms.

Open our minds, that we may recognize you.

Open our hearts, that we may receive you.

Open our bodies, that we may embrace you.

Open our souls, that we may live according to your will.

Open us up to your call this day!

In the name of Jesus Christ we pray, Amen



### \*Opening Hymn 'What Child Is This'

Hymnal #219v1-3

Verse 1

What Child is this who laid to rest

On Mary's lap is sleeping

Whom angels greet with anthems sweet

While shepherds watch are keeping

This this is Christ the King

Whom shepherds guard and angels sing

Haste haste to bring Him laud

The Babe the Son of Mary

Verse 2

Why lies He in such mean estate

Where ox and ass are feeding

Good Christian fear for sinners here

The silent Word is pleading

Nails spear shall pierce Him through

The cross be borne for me for you

Hail hail the Word made flesh

The Babe the Son of Mary

Verse 3

So bring Him incense gold and myrrh

Come peasant king to own Him

The King of kings salvation brings

Let loving hearts enthrone Him

Raise raise the song on high

The Virgin sings her lullaby

Joy joy for Christ is born

The Babe the Son of Mary



St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

1360 South Wendy Drive, Newbury Park, California 91320

805.498.6910 newburyparkchurch@gmail.com www.stmatthewsnp.com



Lighting of the Advent Candle

Randy & Kathy Holzer

*We come to light the 4th Advent Candle of Application.  
We have anticipated, prepared, and joyfully stepped forward toward the manger  
to receive the light of Christ.  
Now we come with the best of what we have.  
Like Joseph, we respond to the call of God, through the courage of the Holy Spirit.  
Come, Emmanuel, Come.  
And all of God's people say Amen and Amen.*

Children's Message

Pastor Jim Powell

Scripture: Matthew 18:1-25 NRSV

Ryan Blanck

18 Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. 19 Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. 20 But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. 21 She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." 22 All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 23 "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." 24 When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, 25 but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.



Anthem Choir  
Directed by Kevin Su Fukagawa

*"Love Alone"*

Soloists Char Wardell, Leslie Ann Hernandez & Emily James

*"Your Presence for Christmas"*

Soloists Emily James & Leslie Ann Hernandez

*"Glory To The King"*

*"Gloria"*



St. Matthew's United Methodist Church  
1360 South Wendy Drive, Newbury Park, California 91320  
805.498.6910 newburyparkchurch@gmail.com www.stmatthewsnp.com



## Sermon: "Use What You Have"

Pastor Jim Powell

*Moving into a Spirit of Prayer*

### Covenant Prayers for the Cal-Pac Churches

Linda Domes

First UMC of Pasadena & First UMC of Reseda

### Pastoral Prayers

#### NEW REQUESTS

Roger recovery from bypass surgery (Tripp)

JoAnn returning to Cancer treatment (Young)

Angel beginning treatment for cancer in his throat & lymph nodes (Muriedas, cousin of Taty V)

#### CONTINUE TO PRAY

##### IN MOURNING

Wife Patti and family upon the passing of her husband Jerry from the flu (Rob Domes' B-I-L)

##### HEALING & RECOVERY

Recovery for the many with the flu, COVID & RSV

Jean healing from gallstones (Debi D's grandmother)

Roger with heart issues planning other surgeries (Tripp)

Danny with heart and kidney problems (St. Ledger)

Georgia beginning chemotherapy (Forbes)

Tony with liver cancer, told he has 6-9 months to live (Suzanne Ford)

Alli who had a hospital stay due to expecting identical twins with Will (Jennifer Winter's son)

Doris recovery from a broken pelvis (Janice Kakazu's mother)

Karen success & healing from breast cancer surgery (Janice Kakazu's sister)

Tracy with multiple serious health problems and unable to work (friend of Christina M & Patti A)

Diane recovering from esophagus surgery (Friend of Debi Dyer)

Ceil with failing health (Adler)

Amber recovering from a lightning strike (Escudero-Konostathis)

Carolyn & Hanna (Sylvester)

##### CANCER TREATMENT

Georgia (Forbes), Karen (Janice K), Logan (Kathy H), Rita (Buckley, Lynne H) Bill (Debi D's Uncle), Heather (Marion E's Daughter), Debbie, JoAnn Y, Joshua (Leslie's son), Ruby (cousin of Emmie), Ariel (friend of Pam M), Dick, Romana, Bob and Gonzalo (friends of McEachern's), Toni, Sylvia (friend of Pam P), Joey (Friend of Taty) and Melissa (Pastor Bob & Beth Ferguson's D-I-L)

##### IN HOSPICE CARE

John (Thompson, friend of Roger Tripp)

Carole's mother (Tripp)

### The Lord's Prayer

*Moving Beyond a Spirit of Prayer*

### Invitation to Give our Blessings back to God

Offertory "Gloria"

Linda Domes

Kevin Su Fukagawa

### \*Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

\*Blessing of our Gifts and Tithes

Hymnal #95



St. Matthew's United Methodist Church  
1360 South Wendy Drive, Newbury Park, California 91320  
805.498.6910 newburyparkchurch@gmail.com www.stmatthewsnp.com



**\*Closing Hymn “Little Drummer Boy”**

**Verse 1**

Come they told me  
Parum pum pum pum  
A newborn King to see  
Parum pum pum pum  
Our finest gifts we bring  
Parum pum pum pum  
To lay before the King  
Parum pum pum pum  
Rum pum pum pum  
Rum pum pum pum  
So to honour Him  
Parum pum pum pum  
When we come

**Verse 2**

Baby Jesus  
Parum pum pum pum  
I am a poor boy too  
Parum pum pum pum  
I have no gift to bring  
Parum pum pum pum  
That's fit to give our King  
Parum pum pum pum  
Rum pum pum pum  
Rum pum pum pum  
Shall I play for you  
Parum pum pum pum  
On my drum

**Verse 3**

Mary nodded  
Parum pum pum pum  
The ox and Lamb kept time  
Parum pum pum pum  
I played my drum for Him  
Parum pum pum pum  
I played my best for Him  
Parum pum pum pum  
Rum pum pum pum  
Rum pum pum pum  
Then He smiled at me  
Parum pum pum pum  
Me and my drum

\*Benediction

Pastor Jim Powell

Ministry & Life of the Church Announcements

12-24 7pm Christmas Eve Service, 12-25 10am Christmas Day Service  
12-25 Christmas Dinner 5pm hosted by Nancy Liedblad – please RSVP  
The Office will be closed December 26-January 2nd

Postlude

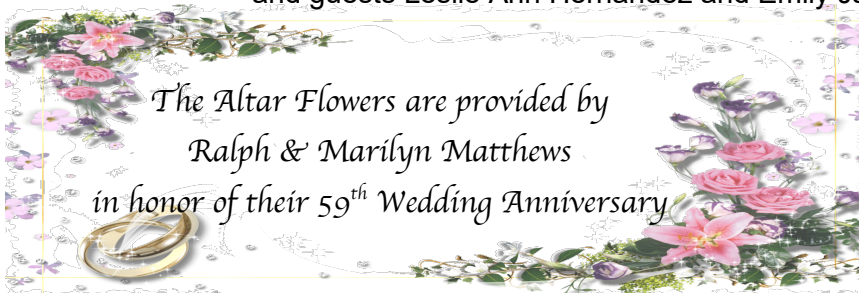
Kevin Su Fukagawa

*Thank You* Linda and Ryan for leading us in worship,

Pastor Jim Powell for the Sermon Message

Kevin Su Fukagawa, The St. Matthew's Choir

and guests Leslie Ann Hernandez and Emily James for our music



*Fellowship Today*

*is provided by*

*Pam Pond &*

*Kathleen Chamberlin*

*Happy Birthdays through the end of 2022:*

12-19 Kevin Su Fukagawa, 12-20 Sid Suggs, 12-22 Steve Curtis, Kari Wilson,  
12-24 Mariah Jacobs, Keith St. Amand, 12-25 JESUS, 12-26 Derek Sibeck,  
12-29 Pamela Sibeck, 12-30 Marian Elliott, 12-30 Piper Sheppard, 12-31 JoAnn Young,  
12-31 Rachel Shapiro

Music Credits

“What Child Is This” CCLI Song # 30983 Unknown | William Chatterton Dix © Words & Music: Public Domain. “Love Alone” CCLI # 7095893 “Your Presence for Christmas” CCLI # 5380734, “Glory To The King” CCLI # 7063829 & “Gloria” CCLI # 5579703 Rebecca J. Peck © Thomas Peck Music (Admin. by Peck Music Group). Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow Thomas Ken, Louis Bourgeois CCLI Song # 56204. “Little Drummer Boy” CCLI # 172614 Harry Simeone | Henry Onorati | Katherine Kennicott Davis © EMI Mills Music Inc (Admin. by Sony/ATV Music Publishing) REPRINTED / PODCAST / STREAMED WITH PERMISSION UNDER ONE LICENSE #A-739288 or CCLI Song Select and Streaming+ License # 2685630. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED



**St. Matthew's United Methodist Church**

1360 South Wendy Drive, Newbury Park, California 91320

805.498.6910 newburyparkchurch@gmail.com www.stmatthewsnp.com

