



St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

Welcome Home

Order of Worship January 22, 2023

Jesus invites us (does not force us) to follow him. A path of light.

**Please Stand BOLD Invites Participation*

Prelude Kevin Su Fukagawa

Welcome Jack Doman

***Call to Worship** Marilyn Matthews

The Lord be with you

And Also with you

The Lord be our leader through this Journey

The Lord lead us all through this life and beyond

Opening Prayer

God of light, we come to you tired and weary, carrying many burdens.

We come seeking your face, seeking your love, and holding on for hope.

We come to you in prayer hoping that you hear our petition.

Remind us that you are always with us.

Remind us that you created us with a capacity for hope.

Remind us that you bring light into the darkness.

And nothing can overcome your light!

In Jesus Christ's name, Amen.

***Opening Hymn "Seek Ye First"**

Hymnal #405

Verse 1

Seek ye first the kingdom of God

And His righteousness

And all these things

Shall be added unto you

Allelu alleluia

Verse 2

Man shall not live by bread alone

But by ev'ry word

That proceeds

From the mouth of God

Allelu alleluia

Verse 3

Ask and it shall be given unto you

Seek and ye shall find

Knock and the door

Shall be opened unto you

Allelu alleluia

Ministry Message

Pastor Jim Powell

Children's Message "Navigate Home" by Randy Holzer

Inouye family, puppeteers



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Scripture Matthew 4:12-23 (NRSV)

Marilyn Matthews

12 Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. 13 He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

15“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— 16 the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.”

17 From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

18 As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. 19 And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” 20 Immediately they left their nets and followed him. 21 As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. 22 Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. 23 Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Anthem Choir “As The Deer”

Directed by Kevin Su Fukagawa

Sermon “Follow The Leader: Follow The Light”

Pastor Jim Powell

Moving into a Spirit of Prayer

Covenant Prayers for Cal-Pac Churches

Jack Doman

Santa Barbara First UMC & San Luis Obispo UMC

Pastoral Prayers

NEW REQUESTS

Kerry Treatment for a brain tumor (Villanueva, Chuck & Cheryl Qualls' daughter)

Judi recovery from a heart procedure (Abraham)

CONTINUE TO PRAY

IN MOURNING

The Family of Dick upon his passing (Lee, friends of Tom & Christina McEachern)

Debi and family of her Grandma Jeanie upon her passing (Dyer)

HEALING & RECOVERY

Kathy healing from hand surgery (Holzer)

Laverne healing of a broken hip & shoulder after a fall (Clifton, Judy A)

Kyle recovery from meningitis which is causing brain swell and blindness (Smith, Kathy H)

George healing from emergency pacemaker (friend of Patti A)

David undergoing bladder cancer treatment (Wilder, Debi Dyer's father)

Meribeth healing from foot surgery (Freeman)

Roger healing from bypass surgery (Tripp)

Ceil with failing health (Adler)

Amber recovering from a lightning strike (Escudero-Konostathis)

Carolyn & Hanna (Sylvester)



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CANCER TREATMENT

JoAnn Y, Terry (Ford family) Angel (Taty), Tracy ((friends of Christina M & Patti A), Georgia (Forbes), Karen (Janice K), Logan (Kathy H), Rita (Buckley, Lynne H) Bill (Debi D's Uncle), Heather(Marion E's Daughter), Debbie, 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)

The Lord's Prayer

Moving Beyond a Spirit of Prayer

Invitation to Give our Blessings back to God

Offertory

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

Hymnal #95

*Blessing of our Gifts and Tithes

***Closing Hymn "Lead Me Lord"**

Hymnal #473

**Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness;
make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only,
that makest me dwell in safety.**

*Benediction

Pastor Jim Powell

Ministry and Life of the Church Announcements

Postlude

Kevin Su Fukagawa

Altar Flowers were provided in memory of Judy Jacobsen by Marv Jacobsen

Fellowship Today provided by Kathy Warner

Happy January 27th Birthday to Carol Breazeal, Pam Suggs & Taylor-Ann Tehada

Ministries & Meetings

TODAY Tech Team Meeting 11:30am (SA)

1-29 Prep for Homeless Meal 11:45am (WR)

1-29 Author talk "The Cat Who Lived with Anne Frank" 12:30pm (SA)

1-29 Installation of Bishop Dottie Escobedo-Frank 3pm (Pasadena First UMC)

Feb 5 - May 7 Confirmation Classes (Speak with Pastor Kristi)

Ongoing:

Mondays- Pastor's Team 11am

Tuesdays - Pastor's Study "Life of Faith" 10am in the Wesley Room beginning 1/10,

Conejo Connect "Transformation through Beauty and the Beast" 5:30pm 1/24, 1/31 at

UMCTO, Wednesdays 2/8 & 2/15 at UMCWV

Wednesdays – Quilting Ministry 10am-12pm, Men's Study 11am, Choir 6:30pm

Thursdays - Women's Study "Becoming Heart Sisters" in Carol Vargeson's home 1pm.

Same Study Fridays at 10am in the Fireside Room



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2023 CONEJO CONNECT

AN INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY
OF
ST. MATTHEWS UMC, UMC THOUSAND OAKS, UMC WESTLAKE VILLAGE

JANUARY

- Mid-Week 5:30 pm
 - Tuesday 17, 24, 31
 - UMC TO
- Quenched Youth Group 6 pm
 - Friday 20
 - UMCWV

MARCH

- Mid-Week 5:30 pm
 - Wednesday 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
 - SMUMC
- Quenched Youth Group 6 pm
 - Friday 10, 24
 - UMC TO

FEBRUARY

- Mid-Week 5:30 pm
 - Wednesday 8, 15
 - UMCWV
- Quenched Youth Group 6 pm
 - Friday 10, 24
 - SMUMC
- Ash Wednesday Service 7 pm
 - Wednesday 22
 - UMCWV

APRIL

- Maundy Thursday Service 7 pm
 - Thursday 6
 - SMUMC
- Good Friday Service 7 pm

Quenched



YOUTH MINISTRY
EST. 2022

Fridays at 6 pm - 7:30 pm

January 20 @ UMCWV

Conejo Connect

PRESENTS

Beauty & The Beast

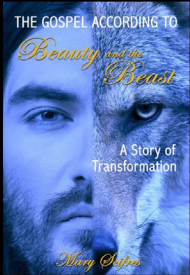
A STORY OF TRANSFORMATION

Based on the book by Rev. Mary Scifres

Dinner

Fellowship

Activities



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
Beauty and the Beast
A Story of Transformation
Mary Scifres

Movie Clips

Discussions

Worship


TUESDAY NIGHTS 1/17, 1/24, 1/31
5:30 PM
UMC THOUSAND OAKS

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS 2/8, 2/15
5:30 PM
UMC WESTLAKE VILLAGE

*Book Purchase not required

CONEJO CONNECT INVITES
YOU TO A BOOK TALK OF

The Cat who Lived with Anne Frank



JOIN US FOR A PRESENTATION BY
DAVID MILLER & STEVEN RUBIN
AS WE LEARN THE INSPIRATION OF THIS
BOOK AND THE IMPORTANCE OF
REMEMBERING.

HOLOCAUST REMEMBERENCE WEEKEND
January 29, 2023 - 12:30 PM
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