

# TWIN TOWERS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Sunday, September 1, 2024 | 9:30 AM

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## Prelude

## Call to Worship

(From Psalm 100)

L: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

**P: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.**

L: Know that the Lord is God.

**P: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

L: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

**P: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

## Opening Hymn

“As the Deer” TFWS 2025

## Opening Prayer

## Today's Scripture

**Jonah 1:1-6**

**1** Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah son of Amittai, saying, **2** “Go at once to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it, for their wickedness has come up before me.” **3** But Jonah set out to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid his fare and went on board, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the Lord.

4 But the Lord hurled a great wind upon the sea, and such a mighty storm came upon the sea that the ship threatened to break up. 5 Then the sailors were afraid, and each cried to his god. They threw the cargo that was in the ship into the sea, to lighten it for them. Jonah, meanwhile, had gone down into the hold of the ship and had lain down and was fast asleep. 6 The captain came and said to him, "What are you doing sound asleep? Get up; call on your god! Perhaps the god will spare us a thought so that we do not perish."

Reader: The Lord bless our hearing and receiving of today's reading from the Bible.

*All: Thanks be to God.*

## Sermon

"To Tarshish or not to Tarshish"

## Hymn of Response

"When The Waves Are Crashing" W&S 3144

## Prayers of the People

Leader "Loving God,"

Response "We lift our hearts to you."

*Lord's Prayer*

## Holy Communion

*Congregation joins in the bold and italics*

PASTOR: Christ our Lord invites to His table all who love Him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess where we have sinned before God and one another.

***PEOPLE: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

PASTOR Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

***PEOPLE: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.***

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

***PEOPLE: And also with you.***

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

***PEOPLE: We lift them up to the Lord.***

PASTOR: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***PEOPLE: It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

PASTOR: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

PASTOR: And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***PEOPLE: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,***

*heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

PASTOR: And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

*PEOPLE: Christ has died; Christ is risen;*

*Christ will come again.*

### *Lord's Prayer*

*Our Father in Heaven,*

*Hallowed be your name.*

*Your kingdom come, your will be done,*

*on earth as it is in heaven.*

*Give us today our daily bread.*

*Forgive us our trespasses*

*as we forgive those who trespass against us,*

*and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*

*For the kingdom, the power,*

*and the glory are yours forever and ever. Amen*

## Offering

Online: <https://twintowersumc.org/giving>

Mail: 1411 Oak Street, Alameda, CA 94501

*Prayer of Thanksgiving*

## Closing Hymn

"When we Are Called to Sing Your Praise " TFWWS 2216

## Benediction

## Postlude



# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INVITATIONS

To explore the possibility of merging with Embrace Church, we will form a **Vision Team** to explore **joint ministry opportunities** and how to further **build the relationship of both churches.**

If you are interested in joining the Vision Team, please let Pastor Jaekuk know ([jaekuk@twintowersumc.org](mailto:jaekuk@twintowersumc.org))



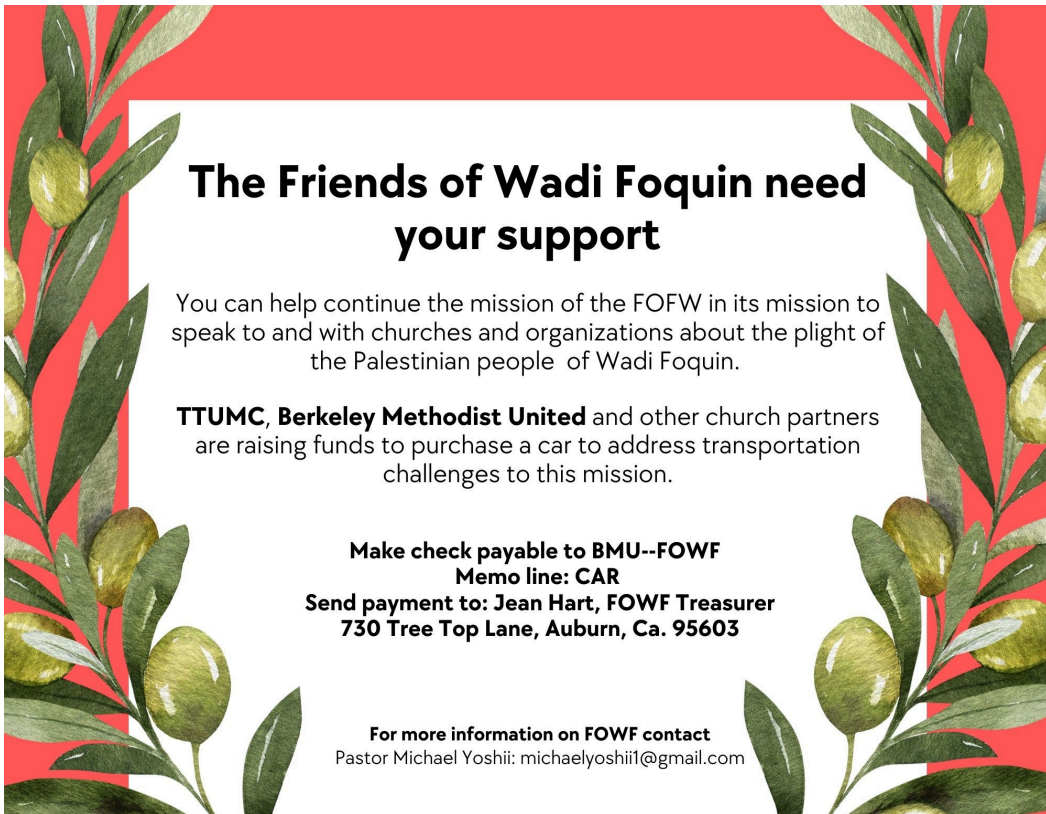
## The Friends of Wadi Foquin need your support

You can help continue the mission of the FOFW in its mission to speak to and with churches and organizations about the plight of the Palestinian people of Wadi Foquin.

**TTUMC, Berkeley Methodist United** and other church partners are raising funds to purchase a car to address transportation challenges to this mission.

**Make check payable to BMU--FOWF**  
**Memo line: CAR**  
**Send payment to: Jean Hart, FOWF Treasurer**  
**730 Tree Top Lane, Auburn, Ca. 95603**

**For more information on FOWF contact**  
Pastor Michael Yoshii: [michaelyoshi1@gmail.com](mailto:michaelyoshi1@gmail.com)





## Midway Shelter Needs Our Help

Midway Shelter is the only  
women and children shelter  
operating in Alameda.

We provide 30 meals twice a month  
(2nd Tuesday and 4th Wednesday)  
You can participate by preparing  
meals or being a financial donor.

To participate contact:  
**Patty Yamashita**  
[patricia.yamashita@comcast.net](mailto:patricia.yamashita@comcast.net)  
or  
**Pastor Jaekuk**  
[jaekuk@twintowersumc.org](mailto:jaekuk@twintowersumc.org)



## Choir Practice

is held on **Wednesdays**  
starting August 28th @ **5:00PM**



## Dine & Connect

WE NEED YOUR HELP  
TOMORROW, MONDAY SEPT. 2  
TO PREPARE AND SERVE 130  
MEALS FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

Shifts: 12 - 4PM Cooking &  
Plating 4 - 5:30PM -  
Serving & Cleaning Up

To sign up, use the QR  
Code or email us at:  
[amy@twintowersumc.org](mailto:amy@twintowersumc.org)



Sign-up to volunteer for Dine and Connect [here!](#)

 **TTUMC is a proud Sponsor!**

**PRIDE in the PARK**

This is a great opportunity to let Alamedians know that TTUMC is an inclusive congregation!

Can you help staff the table?  
Use QR to access the volunteer sign-up sheet!



**@ Chocheny Park**  
**2430 Encinal Avenue**  
**Saturday, Oct. 5th**  
**12PM to 5PM**

Sign-up to volunteer to staff our table at Pride in the Park [here!](#)