

## *Worship Celebration* November 19, 2023

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## WORSHIP GUIDE

Before you begin your time of worship, find a comfortable place to be and gather whatever you might need: your Bible, something to write on and with, your computer/connected device (if you intend to listen to music online), etc. Feel free to adapt this worship guide in any way that makes best sense to you and those you might be gathered with. (Consider inviting someone – a friend, a family member – to worship with you.) Commit to spending the next hour with God.

PRELUDE – Listen and sing along to a song or hymn that blesses and centers your spirit.

**OPENING HYMN** – "Shine Jesus Shine" TFWS 2173

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: How good it is to gather, to hear the Spirit's call, urging us with challenge and change; blessing us with hope;

All: Calling us to come home to a space that is more than mine and to love beyond things. Leader: The Spirit whispers, "Blessing and Grace" come leave your long-lists behind, draw the water of life to parched lips and be refreshed;

All: Calling us beyond old expectations and society's ego driven rules.

Leader: The Spirit proclaims, "Blessing" come be the change and the hope made flesh, come not to be served but to serve;

All: We gather, celebrating the Spirit's brave call, we gather side-by-side to celebrate a life gifted with grace.

## SCRIPTURE READING – Matthew 28:16-20 NIV

16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

SERMON – You can watch the Stewardship message provided by Steve Garner, here.

HYMN OF RESPONSE – "We Are All One in Mission" TFWS 2243

**PRAYERS of the PEOPLE** – Spend time in prayer. What did you hear for yourself through today's scripture and reflection? Talk to God about it. Then lift up the joys and concerns that are in your heart. You might write them down, speak them aloud, or pray for them in silence.

We would be honored to pray with you and for you. Please send a note via text, mail, or email or email

#### **SHARING OUR GIFTS**

How might you offer yourself and all that you have to God this week? How are you being invited to practice generosity? Spend a moment listening for God's direction.

You are invited to contribute financially towards the purpose and ministry of TTUMC. We are a congregation committed to being conduits of God's healing in our neighborhood and beyond, and in so doing, impact the last and the least. You can contribute by mailing in a check, dropping off cash, or giving online (visit <u>https://twintowersumc.org/give</u>).

CLOSING HYMN – "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve" TFWS 2241

#### **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

## NOW GO AND PASS CHRIST'S PEACE!

## **Announcements and Invitations**



Thanksgiving Sunday Sunday, November 26

Bring a dish for our potluck as we
celebrate stewardship and
screen the Twin Towers History
Video directed and produced by
our very own Timena Moli.

## JOIN US AS WE DECK THE HALLS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1:00 PM

1411 OAK STREET, ALAMEDA, CA



### California-Nevada Conference

## The United Methodist Church

Save the Date Saturday, December 9, 2023

Greetings Siblings of the California-Nevada Conference!

It is with extreme pleasure that we introduce to you the newly appointed District Superintendent of the Bay District, Reverend Sun Hee Kim.

You are all cordially invited to her Installation Service to be held Saturday, December 9, 2023, at 2:00 pm.

Alameda, Twin Towers UMC 1411 Oak Street, Alameda, CA 94501 (510) 522-6744

> Installation 2:00 pm Reception Following



Lake Merritt United Methodist Church presents

## SOUND BATH

Join us every second Friday, beginning November 10th 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Lake Merritt United Methodist Church (Sanctuary) 1330 Lakeshore Ave, Oakland, CA 94606 Park on Lakeshore Ave at metered parking

Choose how you would like to experience the Sound Bath (Bring your own mat or blanket/pillow)

Sitting — \$20 In chairs facing the sides of the center stage, from the periphery of the church Lying Down — \$35 Surrounding the center stage, on carpeted and hardwood floors



Scan the QR code to purchase tickets.



Join Twin Towers United Methodist Church for

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A Blue Christmas service is offered especially for those feeling "blue" this Christmas. Join us on the longest night of the year to acknowledge the difficulties of life and to be reminded that you are not alone. We will gather in hope for healing as we journey together.

6:00 pm on December 21 | In-Person and Virtual

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TWIN TOWERS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# Christmas Eve Candlelight service

DECEMBER 24 AT 6:00 PM IN-PERSON AND ONLINE