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Whittier First UMC

Good News for All...through learning, action, and love

IN-PERSON & ONLINE Worship every Sunday @ 10am

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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

But I Say

Glimpses of the Kin-dom Worship Series

Feb 12, Glimpses of the Kin-dom, Part 6:

But I Say, Matthew 5: 21-37

“Many of us already know basic instructions of the law: don't harm or hurt another, don't take what doesn't belong to you, don't lie to the courts or government. But Jesus takes it one step further. He asks that we not only consider the law, but to consider our character and to have genuine care and concern for the other. To value and restore a relationship takes compassion and integrity. Let us pursue a greater way of living and follow Christ with our whole hearts.” –Pastor Angela

Jan 1, Glimpses of the Kin-dom Pt 1:
Water's Fine

Jan 15, Glimpses of the Kin-dom Pt 2:
Not Lacking, I Corinthians 1: 1-9

Jan 22, Glimpses of the Kin-dom Pt 3:
Have the Same Mind, I Corinthians 1: 10-18

Jan 29, Glimpses of the Kin-dom Pt 4
Blessed Are, Matthew 5:1-12

Feb 5, Glimpses of the Kin-dom Pt 5
You Are, Matthew 5:13-20

Feb 19, Glimpses of the Kin-dom Pt 7
Super Sunday, Matthew 17:1-9

THIS WEEK AT WHITTIER FIRST UMC

Sun, 02.12.23

- 8:45 am **M & M Challengers**
Kraft Friendship Room
- 10 am **Traditional Worship**
Sanctuary/Online
- 10:15 am **Children's Sunday School**
Library
- 11:30 am **BELONG Worship Service**
Sanctuary

Tues, 02.14.23

- 1:30 pm **Tuesdays Art & Music**
Wesley Lounge
- 7:00 pm **HUDDLE I: 5**
Church Office

Wed, 02.15.23

- 9 am **Sew n Sew**
Admin 101
- 7 pm **Finance Committee Meeting**
Online

Thurs, 02.16.23

- 2 pm **Staff Meeting**
Church Office
- 5 pm **Jubilant Bells Rehearsal**
Bell Room
- 7 pm **Whittier Methodist Foundation**
Board Room & Online
- 7:30 pm **Chancel Choir Rehearsal**
Choir Room

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

In-Person:

Sun, Feb 5, 2023: **48**

Online (Facebook & YouTube):

Sun, Jan 29, 2023: **76**



Messy Church/Mardi Gras

**Shrove Tuesday, February 21st,
at 5PM, Wesley Lounge**

All are invited for all you can eat
flapjacks, kid's games,
Mardi Gras music, and
a brief message.

Ash Wednesday,

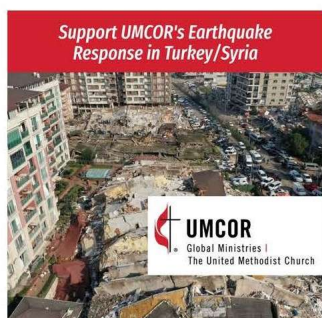
**February 22nd @ 12 noon
Drive-thru Imposition of Ashes
in front of the Church**

Souper Bowl Sunday

February 12

Bring canned goods/non-perishable food with you to Worship that morning and place them in the box marked with your team's logo. After the benediction, the "score" will be announced. All food will be donated to the Interfaith Food Center, where approximately 1,200 families are fed weekly. Food can also be dropped off at the office during the week, Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4pm.

KEY COLLECTION It's that time of year when leadership and committee changes take place. If you have a key or two based on your position, and that position is changing, it's time to turn in your key/keys. If you continue to need your key/keys, you need to sign it/them out again for 2023. Those people entitled to hold keys are Trustees, the 10 Ministry Team Leaders and Committee Chairs. Please come to the church office in the next few weeks and check in with Arlene.



Support UMCOR's Earthquake Response

UMCOR has an International branch that addresses the devastating natural disasters, including what is happening in Turkey and Syria. UMCOR has released an initial solidarity grant to a longstanding humanitarian partner, International Blue Crescent (IBC), which has offices in Turkey. The grant will provide tents, heaters, blankets, warm clothes, ready to eat meals and basic first aid kits.

A 7.8 magnitude earthquake struck southern Turkey at 4:17 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 6, 2023, the most powerful earthquake recorded since 1939. In the hours that followed, at least 78 aftershocks were reported, followed by a second earthquake of 7.5 magnitude. More than 5,000 people were killed, with deaths expected to rise.

The earthquake also heavily impacted northwest Syria, where 4.1 million people depend on humanitarian assistance. The majority are women and children. At this time, Syrian communities are simultaneously facing an ongoing cholera outbreak and extreme winter weather events, including heavy rain and snow. The humanitarian response is overstretched due to the devastation and cold weather.

We are heartbroken as the death toll in Turkey and Syria continues to rise and rescuers work tirelessly to find survivors. Watch the [video](https://www.facebook.com/UMCOR/videos/514733947463130) (<https://www.facebook.com/UMCOR/videos/514733947463130>) for an update on UMCOR's initial response to the devastating earthquakes.

Financial contributions make the biggest impact, especially when dealing with international disasters. Support UMCOR International Disaster Fund for relief and recovery efforts for this and other international disasters with donations made payable to the church, First United Methodist Church of Whittier noting Advance #982450 in the memo line.



FUMCW Calendar February-April 2023

In-person & Online Worship: Sundays @ 10am

Children's Sunday School: Every Sunday @ 10:15am—Library

M & M/Challengers: Every Sunday @ 8:45am—Kraft Friendship Room

Jubilant Bells Rehearsal: Every Thursday @ 5pm—Bell Room

Chancel Choir Rehearsal: Every Thursday @ 7:30pm—Choir Room

Sew n Sew: Every Wednesday @ 9am—Admin 101

TAM: Every Tuesday @ 1:30pm—Wesley Bldg.

Staff Meetings: Alternate Thursdays @ 2-3:30pm—Office Conference Room

Church Office hours: Mon-Thurs @ 8:30am-4pm, Fri Closed

Wednesday, 02.01.23	7pm	Trustee Meeting—Online
Friday, 02.03.23	6pm	Friday Faith Flicks—Kraft Friendship Room
Saturday, 02.04.23	9am	Hope Circle—Kraft Friendship Room
Saturday, 02.04.23	9am	What Do We Believe?—Kraft Friendship
Sunday, 02.05.23	11:30am	Youth Q & A (Confirmation Class)—Conference Room
Tuesday, 02.07.23	7pm	UMW Board Meeting—Kraft Friendship Room
Saturday, 02.11.23	11am	Charles Barth Celebration of Life—Central Park
Sunday, 02.12.23	11:30am	BELONG Worship Service—Sanctuary
Tuesday, 02.14.23	7pm	HUDDLE 1.5—Conference Room
Wednesday, 02.15.23	7pm	Finance Committee Meeting--Online
Thursday, 02.16.23	7pm	Whittier Methodist Foundation—Hybrid (Zoom & Board Room)
Sunday, 02.19.23		Transfiguration Sunday
Tuesday, 02.21.23	5pm	Messy Church Mardi Gras—Hybrid (Zoom & Wesley bldg.)
Tuesday, 02.21.23	7pm	HUDDLE 1.6—Conference Room
Wednesday, 02.22.23	12noon	Ash Wednesday Imposition of ashes—front of church
Wednesday, 02.22.23	6pm	Messy Church—East Whittier UMC
Sunday, 02.26.23		First Sunday in Lent
Monday, 02.27.23	1:30pm	Shawl Ministry—Kraft Friendship Room
Tuesday, 02.28.23	4pm	SPRC Meeting—Online
Tuesday, 02.28.23	7pm	HUDDLE 1.7—Conference Room
Wednesday, 03.01.23	7pm	Trustee Meeting—Online
Friday, 03.03.23	6pm	Friday Faith Flicks—Kraft Friendship Room
Saturday, 03.04.23	9am	Hope Circle—Kraft Friendship Room
Sunday, 03.05.23	10am	Youth Q & A (Confirmation Class)—Conference Room
Tuesday, 03.07.23	7pm	UMW Board Meeting—Kraft Friendship Room
Sunday, 03.12.23	11:30am	BELONG Worship Service--Sanctuary
Wednesday, 03.15.23	7pm	Finance Committee Meeting—Online
Tuesday, 03.21.23	5pm	Messy Church—Hybrid (Zoom & Wesley bldg.)
Saturday, 03.25.23	4pm	UMYF Reunion—Wesley Lounge
Monday, 03.27.23	1:30pm	Shawl Ministry—Kraft Friendship Room
Tuesday, 03.28.23	4pm	SPRC Meeting—Online
Saturday, 04.01.23	9am	Hope Circle—Kraft Friendship Room
Sunday, 04.02.23		Palm Sunday
Sunday, 04.02.23	11:30am	Youth Q & A (Confirmation Class)—Conference Room
Tuesday, 04.04.23	7pm	UMW Board Meeting—Kraft Friendship Room
Wednesday, 04.05.23	7pm	Trustee Meeting—Online
Friday, 04.07.23	6pm	Good Friday Tenebrae Service—Sanctuary
Sunday, 04.09.23		EASTER
Sunday, 04.09.23	11:30am	Belong Worship Service--Sanctuary
Saturday, 04.15.23	9am	Church Council Meeting—Hybrid (Zoom & Board Room)
Tuesday, 04.18.23	5pm	Messy Church—Hybrid (Zoom & Wesley bldg.)
Wednesday, 04.19.23	7pm	Finance Committee Meeting—Zoom
Thursday, 04.20.23		Foundation Grant Requests due
Monday, 04.24.23	1:30pm	Shawl Ministry—Kraft Friendship Room
Tuesday, 04.25.23	4pm	SPRC Meeting—Online

Channel your inner Agatha Christie or Miss Marple as we try to solve the mystery of how
she's twice the woman she was at 40!

You are cordially invited to an open-house style celebration for

Rev. Dr. Faith J. Conklin
OUR LADY AT EIGHTY

A BBC/ Brit Box themed birthday

February 19th @ 2 p.m.

Founders' Hall , San Dieguito United Methodist Church, 170 Calle Magdalena, Encinitas, CA 9202

RSVP helps but is not required to attend

Call or text 562-260-2537, email lilysilverheart@yahoo.com

To make it easy to attend, this is an "open-house style" celebration for our beloved Faith.

Drop by anytime and stay as long as you like.

There will be lots of "small plate" foods, tea sandwiches, specialty mocktails, and plenty of
sweets round out our fare-- many options will be gluten or dairy free.

Dress in "garden party" best-- silly hats encouraged!

*Instead of gifts, please consider donating in her name to
CST for the Faith and John Conklin Ministry Scholarship*

Att: Dmitri Potemkin

1325 North College Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711

Mama's Kitchen

3960 Home Avenue, San Diego, CA 92105

Nicaragua Project

170 Calle Magdalena, Encinitas, CA 9202

Or a charity close to YOUR heart!