

# **CHIMES** Whittier First UMC

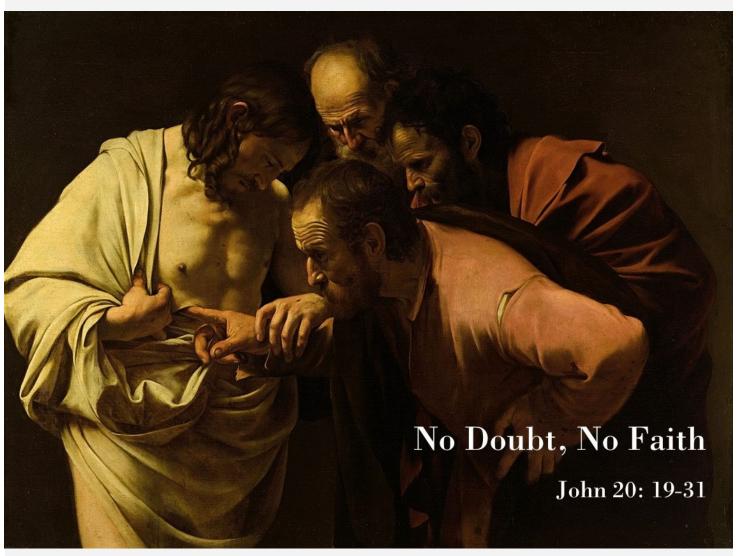
Good News for All...through learning, action, and love

IN-PERSON & ONLINE Worship every Sunday @ 10am

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It's an age old question. Can faith and doubt co-exist in the human heart? This Sunday we will hear the famous story of "Doubting Thomas." Throughout history, church tradition, Sunday School, and even VBS, Thomas has been portrayed as a villain, or at least as a very bad example. But is that really fair to Thomas. After the brutality of the crucifixion, the disappointment of Peter's denials, and the horror of Judas' betrayal, can we blame Thomas for wanting to see the risen Jesus with his own eyes, just as his fellow disciples did? What can we learn from Thomas? How does his story shape our story? Join us this week as we explore what it means to say, "No Doubt, No Faith." -Pastor Jon

> In-Person & Online Worship Sunday, April 7, 2024 @ 10am Rev. Jon Wesley Waterson

# COMING UP AT WHITTIER FIRST UMC

Sat. 04.06.24

9 am BARS

Meet in Board Room

9 am **Hope Circle** 

Kraft Friendship Room

Sun, 04.07.24

8:30 am **M&M Challengers** 

Kraft Friendship Room

10 am Traditional Worship

Sanctuary/Online

10:20 am Children's Sunday School

Library

Tues, 04.09.24

1:30 pm Tuesday Art & Music

Wesley Lounge

Wed, 04.10.24

9:30 am Sew n Sew

Admin 101

Thurs, 04.11.24

2 pm Staff Meeting

Conference Room

5 pm Jubilant Bells Rehearsal

Bell Room

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Choir Room

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: SATURDAY, APRIL 27th, 9 AM, Board room

#### Office Hours this week:

Mon 8:30am-5pm, Tues 10am-2pm, Wed 10am-2pm, Thurs 8:30am-5pm

# **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

In-Person:

Sunday, March 31 2024: 88

Online:

Sunday, March 24, 2024: 91



A service celebrating the life of **Betty Reynolds** will be held in the Sanctuary on Saturday, April 13, at 10:30am, with a reception to follow in the Wesley Lounge.



**Beautification And Repair Saturdays** 

The first meeting of the BARS group is Saturday, **April 6, 9am-11am**, in the Board Room. We need your support by doing minor repairs around the church. Contact Wes Murray with questions, 562.201.0131.

# **Spring Cleaning with Hope Circle**



Everyone is invited to come and join **Hope Circle** on **Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.** for some Spring Cleaning of the Asbury rooms. These are the room used for hosting families during our Family Promise rotation and were recently emptied of excess furniture.

Please bring cleaning supplies, paper towels, Swiffer dusters etc. to help freshen up these areas. If you're not up for cleaning, come and support us, we'll be glad of your company.

We won't have our usual breakfast time but bring a 'snack' food to share. We'll clean and chat while we work. Looking forward to seeing you on April 6<sup>th</sup> - *Linda Holtz, Donna Padgett and Martha Bailey.* 

## SHELTER'S RIGHT HAND

Stepping Out Against Domestic Violence



sheltersrighthand.org WCCS 24/7 DV Hotline 562-945-3939

# Shelter's Right Hand 28<sup>th</sup> Annual 5K Walk to Benefit Survivors of Domestic Violence

Registration is underway for the Shelter's Right Hand 28<sup>th</sup> Annual "Stepping Out Against Domestic Violence" 5K Walk to benefit the Women's and Children's Crisis Shelter. On April 20, 2024, hundreds of community members will step out to support survivors and remember victims of domestic violence. This year we will be joined by Honorary Chairperson David Gunderson, CEO of the Credit Union of Southern California.

#### Register by April 20, 2024 and you will receive a t-shirt and a medal on walk day.

Please register and join us to help provide vital support to the shelter. Cost is \$20 for students, \$35 for early registered adults before April 5<sup>th</sup>, and \$40 through walk day. We have enclosed a brochure to publicize the walk. Please consider posting this up in a location that will receive a lot of traffic and attention, such as a community board, or sharing in a newsletter.

Register as an individual or as a group online at **SheltersRightHand.org**, or using the form located on the brochure. Donations can also be made online at the same website. If you have any questions, call 562-373-5541.

Hope to see you on Walk Day!

If you need help escaping domestic violence, call our 24-hour bilingual help hotline at: 562-945-3939. One call can save lives.

#### 5K WALKER SPONSOR SHEET

Shelter's Right Hand 5K Walk Saturday, April 20, 2024

Walker's Name

Collect donations from family and friends to help us more!
Suggested minimum sponsorship per person is \$10.00. Copy this form or download from our website for additional sponsorship listings.

Sponsor's Name		Amount
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Make checks payable to	Total	

Shelter's Right Hand

P.O. Box 9304, Whittier, CA 90608

All contributions are tax deductible 501(c)(3) Tax ID 95-3738316 A tax deduction may be taken for all but \$10 by walkers, who receive goods. All other donations are fully tax deductible.

PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S CRISIS SHELTER



## **VISIT OUR THRIFT SHOP**

Shelter's Right Hand Thrift Shop & Upstairs Boutique

12300 E. Washington Blvd., Suite J, Whittier, CA 90606 Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10-4, Closed Sunday & Monday

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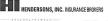






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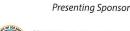
# **SHELTER'S RIGHT HAND** 5K WALK

**JOIN US FOR OUR** 28TH ANNUAL 5K WALK TO BENEFIT THE **WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S CRISIS SHELTER** 



SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024

at Central Park, Whittier, CA





register today online at sheltersrighthand.org

#### SHELTER'S RIGHT HAND

Founded in 1981, Shelter's Right Hand is the nonprofit auxiliary to the Women's and Children's Crisis Shelter. Our goal is to raise funds to support the Shelter in assisting victims of domestic violence. Funds are raised from the annual 5K Walk, a thrift shop staffed 100% by volunteers and support contributions.

# WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S CRISIS SHELTER

Since 1977, the Women's and Children's Crisis Shelter, Inc., (WCCS), has been committed to providing safety, shelter, and hope to victims of domestic violence. The nonprofit organization provides a 45-day emergency shelter program, a bilingual 24-hour hotline, client advocacy, and many other support services. WCCS welcomes the support of community businesses, law enforcement agencies, local nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and domestic violence supporters.

Domestic violence is not confined to any one socioeconomic, ethnic, religious, racial or age group and shows no geographic or educational boundaries.

Women's and Children's Crisis Shelter 24/7 HOUR BILINGUAL HOTLINE (562) 945-3939

For more information or to register or donate online visit:

sheltersrighthand.org





Share your walk day photos on Facebook and Instagram @sheltersrighthand Hashtag us at #sheltersrighthand

#### WALK DAY DETAILS

- PACKET PICK UP & SAME DAY REGISTRATION OPENS AT 6:30 am
- WELCOME CEREMONY AT 7:30 am
- START TIME AT 8:00 am

#### FOR REGISTERED WALKERS:

- Packet including T-shirt & Prize Tickets
  - Medals at the finish line
  - Refreshments & Entertainmen
  - Chances to win great prizes

#### **WALK START LOCATION:**

CENTRAL PARK, UPTOWN WHITTIER 6532 Friends Ave (& Bailey St) Whittier, CA 90601

Honorary Chairperson:
Dave Gunderson

## **RAFFLE GRAND PRIZE**

GIFT CARD TREE
Value over \$700



Raffle Tickets: \$5 each or 5 for \$20 Bring cash or credit card to purchase tickets on Walk day. Winners will be drawn at 8:30 am.

#### **3 WAYS TO REGISTER**

- (1) Online at sheltersrighthand.org
- (2) Complete and mail in this form
- (form can be downloaded at sheltersrighthand.org)
- Register on Walk day\* (registration opens at 6:30 am) 5K Walk Day: Saturday, April 20, 2024 \*(Same day registrants are not guaranteed a T-Shirt)

Address	
City	StateZip
Fmail	

ENTRY FEE (non-refundable/tax deductible)

\$35 on or before April 5, 2024 \$40 on or after April 6, 2024 \$20 entry fee for all Students Become a SUPPORTER by donating online, too!

☐ I won't be able to walk, but please accept my donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (mail in check)

Mail completed forms, entry fee, and money collected to:



Name

Shelter's Right Hand P.O. Box 9304 Whittier, CA 90608 For more information call (657) 549-2551

**T-Shirt Size:** ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐ XXL ☐ **No T-Shirt** - proceeds go toward the Shelter

WAIVER, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND PHOTO RELEASE: By signing this waiver, assumption of risk and photo release, I release the sponsors and promoters of this walk, Shelter's Right Hand, Women's and Children's Crisis Shelter, City of Whittier, and any and all persons or agencies connected with this walk for any injuries or property damage resulting from my participation in this event. I certify that I am physically fit to participate in this walk. I also authorize the free use of my name and pictures taken on the day of the walk for publicity purposes.

PARTICIPANTS MUST SIGN THIS RELEASE BEFORE REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED.

X Signature	Date
Parent (or legal guardian) if under 18 years of	age



PORT Donations support scholarships, leadership development and other vital ministries.

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April 14 is Native American Ministries Sunday, one of the Special Giving Sundays of the United Methodist Church. First United Methodist Church of Whittier sits on the ancestral lands of the Gabrielino/Tongva Native Americans, who inhabited the San Gabriel Valley for centuries prior to the coming of Europeans. 25% of your donation funds scholarships for Native Americans. 25% of your donation funds ministry and outreach goals. 50% of your donation remains in the CalPac Annual Conference, to support, among other things, the Sherman Indian School and the Native American United Methodist Church of Anaheim. Concerns sought to be addressed by this offering include: a) Preserving Indigenous Language,

b) Understanding Indigenous Spirituality, c) Addressing the epidemic of violence against Indigenous women and children and d) Seeking climate justice globally

You can support this Special Sunday by giving online at UMC.org/SSGive, or dropping off a check at church, made payable to FUMC Whittier, noting Native American Ministries in the memo line.