



# CHIMES

## Whittier First UMC

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

**IN-PERSON & ONLINE Worship every Sunday @ 10am**

 **Whittier First United Methodist Church**

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## *Present Yourself to God*

NOT ASHAMED WORSHIP SERIES

Have you heard the statement "Come as you are!" ? We say this in church to highlight that God accepts us as we are. Usually, in our every day, we have to present ourselves with the "best foot forward." But with God, we come as we are (in the good days and the bad) and the Spirit celebrates with us and renews us. -Pastor Angela

Join us this Sunday @ 10am, in-person or online, "Not Ashamed Part II: Present Yourself to God."

**Oct 2**

Not Ashamed Part I: **Rekindle the Gift**  
*II Timothy 1:1-14*

**Oct 9**

Not Ashamed Part II: **Present Yourself to God**  
*II Timothy 2:8-15*

**Oct 16**

Not Ashamed Part III: **Itching Ears**  
*II Timothy 3:14-4:5*

**Oct 23**

Not Ashamed Part IV: **Poured Out**  
*II Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18*

## Opportunities for involvement 10.09.22–10.13.22

Sun, 10.09.22	8:45 am	<b>M&amp;M Challengers</b> Kraft Friendship Room
	10 am	<b>Traditional Worship</b> Sanctuary & Online
	10:15 am	<b>Children's Sunday School</b> Library
Tues, 10.11.22	1:30 pm	<b>Tuesdays with Art &amp; Music</b> Wesley Lounge & Patio
Wed, 10.12.22	9 am	<b>Sew n Sew</b> Admin 101
Thurs, 10.13.22	5 pm	<b>Jubilant Bells Rehearsal</b> Bell Room
	7:30 pm	<b>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</b> Choir Room

## MASK MANDATE UPDATE

The Trustees have voted to make the wearing of masks optional in small groups and when food is served. Masks are still required upon entering and exiting the sanctuary for worship service and for Chancel Choir rehearsals and performances.

The Church office is closed from October 3-11, 2022. Please call 562.698.0022 or email [PastorAngela@WhittierFirstUMC.com](mailto:PastorAngela@WhittierFirstUMC.com) for pastoral concerns.

Donate used eyeglasses to the Lions Club. There are 2 donation boxes at church—in the office and Narthex. Contact Wes Murray for more information, 562.201.0131.

**BELONG** Worship Service **THIS SUNDAY 10.9.22 @ 11:30am** A new way to do church! Every 2nd Sunday of the month @ 11:30am, in the Sanctuary

**Sunday, October 30—Prayers, Praise and Pumpkins**  
Join us for pumpkin carving and games after church in the Wesley building.

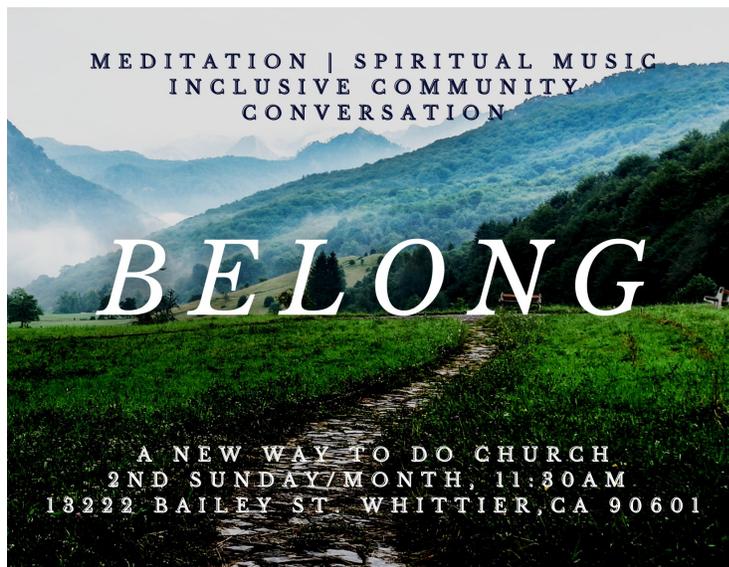
**All Saints Sunday November 6th** Send us pictures of your loved ones who have passed away in the last year as we honor them during worship service, [Info@WhittierFirstUMC.com](mailto:Info@WhittierFirstUMC.com).

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## One Day Women's Retreat led by Rev. Dr. Faith Conklin “The Book of Ruth”

Saturday, October 22, 8:30am-5pm  
at the East Whittier Methodist Church

A continental breakfast and lunch will be offered. A cash or check donation of \$25 will be collected at the door, the day of the event, which will cover the cost of meals and retreat materials. Reservations are required no later than October 16, [Info@WhittierFirstUMC.com](mailto:Info@WhittierFirstUMC.com).



## Gratitude for Service

### **ELEANOR “ELLIE” REDFOOT CRIDDLE**

Ellie was born in Freedonia, Pennsylvania, on December 20, 1933. She is the fourth born child of 11 children! All the children were taught to work hard by the age of six, and learned how to cook by the age of eight. They moved to a farm in Clarke Mills, Pa, twenty miles away. She worked in the fields and took care of live stock. Although she was very petite, she worked hard.

She attended a one-room school from 3rd-8th grades and graduated from Hadley High School. She went to X-ray training school at Alleheny General Hospital in Pittsburg, Pa. After finishing X-ray school, she worked at Mercer Cottage Hospital in Mercer, until she and her brother, Ron, moved to Whittier, where her eldest sister and brother in law lived. They arrived on a Wednesday, attended FUMC Whittier that first Sunday, and Ellie hasn't stopped attending in the last 70 years. She was married in this church 65 years ago, on the day after Christmas. A week after arriving to Whittier, Ellie was hired at the Metropolitan State Hospital in Norwalk and worked there for 50 years.

In 1961, she went on a Missions trip to Henderson Settlement in Frakes, Kentucky. Over night, she became the housemother to over 32 girls, ages 5 to 19 years old. Most of them were taller than her! Each one said, “Oh that Mr. Evans was telling another story!” She had no idea what that meant. Mr. Evans said that when you get home from Christmas, they better be good because the new housemother would be there and she is a professional wrestler! Her nick name was “Bull whip Bertha.” Mrs. Evans was always tell stories to the kids.

After three years, she returned to California and went back to work at the State Hospital working with the mentally impaired. She retired there at the age of 80 years.

She worked for FUMC Whittier for 40 years, the Whittier Women's Club for 8 years, and the Men's YMCA for 15 years.

She spent 55 years going to Easter Work Camp as the cook. She served on SPRC, Trustees, attended Hope Circle, Sew n Sew, Bible studies, prayer groups. She helped with the homeless shelter and Family Promise groups.

She also was a member of the Red Cross disaster team, along with her son Mark, after the Whittier earthquake and plane crash in Cerritos, Ca. She was active with the boy scouts, went to UMCOR trips twice after Katrina hit the Gulf.

She loves the church very much and is very thankful for all they have done for her and her son.