



# 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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## HOLD FIRMLY

LOVE NEVER ENDS WORSHIP SERIES

“There are so many concerns that grab our attention: from the everyday, household chores, to the more serious issues, with medical and financial decisions, etc. Regardless of what it is, life seems to always be buzzing all around us. In the midst of it all, we have an anchor in Christ. We are held in the grace of God! And the Scriptures tell us to hold firm in faith and to bear witness to God's plan of salvation in Jesus.” –Pastor Angela

01.16.22 Love Never Ends: Being the Body of Christ, Part I - Gifts *I Corinthians 12:1-11*

01.23.22 Love Never Ends: Being the Body of Christ, Part II -You are the body *I Corinthians 12:12-31a*

01.30.22 Love Never Ends: Being the Body of Christ, Part III -The Greatest of These *I Corinthians 13:1-13*

**02.06.22 Love Never Ends: Being the Body of Christ, Part IV - Hold Firmly *I Corinthians 15:1-11***

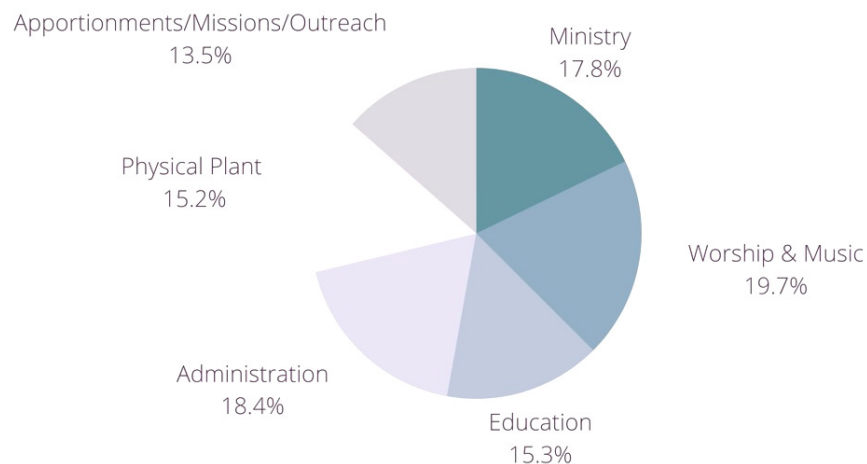
02.13.22 Love Never Ends: Being the Body of Christ, Part V- The First Fruits *I Corinthians 15:12-20*

02.20.22 Love Never Ends: Being the Body of Christ, Part VI - Raised in Glory *I Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50*

Greetings in Christ,

For the past month, Whittier First United Methodist Church has been pulling together our 2022 budget for all the things we value and need in our community. We are a church that believes in the Good News (of Christ) for all through learning, action and love! Our values are 1) Worship-Centered, 2) Wisdom Seekers, 3) Community Outreach, 4) Justice/Compassion, and 5) Open Minded. As I have been speaking to other clergy, we are one of the few mainline Protestant churches still open in Whittier meeting in-person and online.

In the general budget, with all the dedicated funds, we have allocated 6 major areas: Worship/Music (19.7%), Administration (18.4%), Ministry (17.8%), Education (15.3%), Physical Plant (15.2%), Apportionment/Missions/Outreach (13.5%).



For the past couple of years, we've had to adjust our funds to meet the needs of our church during a COVID era. This year, we are running into a unique situation, as we are hoping to run our programs in their fullness both in-person and online. Some of these adjustments include employment for the full year for an Audio-Visual Coordinator, Music Director, and 4 Section-Leaders/Soloists. For the past couple of years, these positions were modified, since we were not able to meet in person. Also, since our programs are running all week long now, we are also estimating an increase in janitorial services and utilities. In all transparency, we need about \$72k more to be able to accomplish all that God has put on our hearts!

We are planning different ways to cut costs and gain revenue, including an Auction in May. In the meantime, we are asking for your help. If the Spirit so moves you, please consider giving a little extra. We thank you in advance for your generosity. If you are not able to give financially, please pray for our Church for wisdom as we move forward in service to Christ. We are doing all of this to spread the Good News of Jesus.

Grace and Peace,

Rev. Dr. Angela Galanis Price

## WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

In-Person

January 30, 2022: 50

Online (Facebook & YouTube)

January 23, 2022: 118

## Opportunities for involvement 02.05.22–02.10.22

Sat, 02.05.22

9 am

**Hope Circle**

Donna Padgett's home

Sun, 02.06.22

8:45 am

**M & M Challengers**

Kraft Friendship Room

10 am

**Traditional Worship**

Sanctuary & Online

10:15 am

**Children's Sunday School**

Library

Tues, 02.08.22

1:30 pm

**Tuesdays with Art & Music**

Wesley Building

Wed, 02.09.22

9 am

**Sew 'n' Sew**

Admin 101

Thurs, 02.10.22

5 pm

**Jubilant Bells Rehearsal**

Bell Room

7 pm

**Foundation Meeting**

Online

7:30 pm

**Chancel Choir Rehearsal**

Choir Room

## Recycle your old, even broken eyewear.

It could improve a persons life



**Donate used EYEGLASSES** to the Lions Club. There are two donation boxes on the church campus—Narthex & Church office.

All eyewear is acceptable (prescription & non-prescription glasses, sunglasses and readers). Children's glasses are especially needed. Even if the eyewear is broken, still donate them because they can be repaired. Please contact Wes Murray for questions, [wam032340@aol.com](mailto:wam032340@aol.com).

## Souper Bowl Sunday February 13

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 1,200 families are fed weekly. Food can also be dropped off at the office during the week, Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4pm.

## "KICKNIC" SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH, 1:00 PM, AT MICHIGAN PARK

Bring your sack lunch, a chair or blanket, and a friend or two!

All are invited for some family kickball fun!