



December 31, 2017

10:00am

**FULLERTON FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

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Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

ORDER OF SERVICE

**Indicates: Please stand if you are able.*

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Prelude

Welcome *You may fill out a prayer request card located on the back of each pew and place it in the offering bag.* Susan Faber

*Passing the Peace of Christ

***Opening Chorus** “Angels We Have Heard” (stanza 1) UM Hymnal 238

***Call to Worship** Andy Clifton, Liturgist

Praise the Lord!

Praise God from the heavens.

Young men and women alike,
old and young together!

Let us praise the name of the Lord,
whose name alone is exalted above earth and heaven.

***Hymn** “There’s a Song in the Air” UM Hymnal 249

***Opening Prayer** Andy Clifton

Saving God,
the prophet Anna and righteous Simeon
sang your praise and proclaimed Jesus our Lord
to all who were looking
for the redemption of Jerusalem.

Let us who seek redemption in this day
prepare our hearts,
that we may believe the good news of Jesus,
receive the light of salvation,
and live according to your word.
In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

***Congregational Response** “Angels We Have Heard” (stanza 3)

Time with the Children Kim Galea

A TIME OF PRAYER

Special Music “Ave Verum” Aldersgate Chorale
Mozart

Prayers of the People

Susan Faber

The Lord's Prayer

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD _____

Prayer of Illumination

Andy Clifton

Scripture

Luke 2:22-40

Response

This is the Good News of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!

Message

"God With Us"

Rev Darin Arntson

RESPONSE TO THE WORD _____

Invitation to Offering

Susan Faber

Offertory

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Susan Faber

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING _____

***Hymn**

"My Master, See, the Time Has Come"

UM Hymnal 226

***Benediction**

Rev. Darin Arntson

***Postlude**



Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar this morning are presented by

Kathy Norris

In honor of Anastasia Norris-Witter's Birthday



Prayers for Stephen Ministers, **Kathy Norris, John Lamkin, Tammy Scrivner, Barbara Giasone, Brandon Scrivner, and Viviane Kirk**

For continued healing:

Clara Hernandez, for healing; **Leo Smith**, back home again after receiving short-term nursing care for a month, following a fall in which he broke 3 ribs; **Edna Brown**, receiving hospice care; **Danny Hernandez**, (Clara Hernandez's nephew) for healing; **Jack Dillard** (Diane Hargrave's father), receiving hospice care; **Nieves Garcia** (Lilia Milloy's mother) for healing; **Hyeyeon Kim**, for continued healing; **Bob Kearny** diagnosed with cancer.

For those who are in care facilities:

Margaret McFarland Christensen at Park Vista; **Harry Musser** Richman Gardens in Fullerton; **Arceli Elman** at Anaheim Crest Nursing Home; **Alta Carter**, in Sunrise of Fullerton; **Edna Brown** at Above All Assisted Care. **Loren Grandy**, Park Vista

For those in the military and their families:

Zack Zarow is now stationed in Rota, Spain New Address - Lt. Zachary Zarrow, USS Carney Unit 100302, Box 2048, FPO AE 09583; **Jordan Hoffner** (grandson of Sandi Hoffner); **Philip Neisess** (grandson of Kendall & Sandy Neisess); **Andrew Stover, Noah Fuller**.

Coming in January! Sermon Series



LET'S GO TO THE MOVIES!

"Finding Nemo and Finding Me"

"Hidden Figures and Unhidden Faith"

"Billy Elliott and the Dance of Joy"

"Beauty and the Beast and the Possibilities"

"A Family Thing"

and more .

Sunday fun for the whole family!

Bring a friend during January and get a gift for you and your friend!

Please check our website for a calendar of events for this week.

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During the month of December we will be collecting **Canned Meat** for the Pathways of Hope Fullerton Food Bank