

# United Methodist Church of Yucaipa

Worship Service for May 4, 2025 - 9:20 am

*\*Stand as you are able*

**Hymn Sing** *raise your hand with a favorite hymn number*

**Prelude** Diane Kovach

**Greetings and Announcements** Susan Wamsley

**\*Call to Worship** *(Psalm 139:3,7,9,10 NRSVUE)*

L: O Lord, you search out my path and my lying down  
and are acquainted with all my ways

**P: Where can I go from your spirit?  
Or where can I flee from your presence?**

L: If I take the wings of the morning  
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

**P: Even there your hand shall lead me,  
And your right hand shall hold me fast.**

**\*Hymn** "Because He Lives" hymn #364 (vs 1-3)

**Passing of the Peace**

**Joys and Concerns**

**Unison Prayer** The Apostle's Creed UMH# 881

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and**

sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn** "In The Garden"

hymn #314 (vs 1-3)

**Scripture Reading**

Luke 24:13-16, 28-35

**Communion Message**

Rev. Phillips Whang

*"Footprints to Emmaus"*

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**The Presentation of Our Tithes & Offerings**

**Offertory**

**\* Doxology**

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**\* Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**\*Hymn** "There's Within My Heart a Melody" hymn #380 (vs 1-3)

**\*Benediction**

**\*Taking the Light of Christ into the World**

**\*Congregational Response** "Go Now In Peace"

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

## Footprints to Emmaus

It was Easter Day when two disciples made their way to Emmaus, their hearts heavy with grief. As they walked, a stranger joined them, talking and walking beside them. What they didn't realize was that this stranger was Jesus himself. When they finally arrived in Emmaus and sat down to eat, Jesus broke bread with them, and in that sacred moment, their eyes were opened to recognize him. Their story mirrors our own in many ways.

In times of sorrow and struggle, we too often feel that God is absent. Yet, that sense of absence is not reality—it is spiritual blindness. The truth is, God is always with us. This is beautifully echoed in the well-known poem "Footprints in the Sand." When we look back on the hardest moments of our lives and see only one set of footprints, we may feel abandoned. But in truth, those footprints belong to God, carrying us and holding us close, even when we couldn't feel him. What we see with our eyes is only part of the picture. The deeper, hidden work of God continues quietly and faithfully.

We all need to open our spiritual eyes to see the true and whole picture of our situation. So when our path feels like the road to Emmaus and God's presence seems far away, let us remember: Jesus is walking beside us, unseen but unwavering.

Our faithful companion never leaves our side.

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**Church Office Hours: Monday – Thursday**  
**from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm**

### **Prayer List**


***The Brown Family in the loss of Darlene Brown;***  
***Judy Salvesson's brother Matthew Buckley;***  
***Darlene Coleman; Bruce & Linda Crabtree;***  
***Helen Davis; Steve Dyerly; Kenny Lingle***  
***and his brother-in-law Pat Fletcher;***  
***The Family of Nancy Greening;***  
***David Brown's sister Melissa Higginson;***

*Alicia Medina; Rachael Moore; Lorene Muñoz;  
The Barretts in the loss of brother Ruben Penalosa, Jr.;  
The Popejoy Family in the loss of Lorraine;  
The Pugh Family in the loss of Jerry;  
The Family of Maynard and Nancy Reitzler;  
Lauren Schaefer; Ralph Snook; Alison Spiegel;  
Larry Stiff; George Weeks; The Ray Wilson family;  
Pastor Jill Darling in the loss of Arlon;  
Pastor Phillips Whang;  
District Superintendent Rev. Moonyoung Lee;  
Bishop Dottie Escobedo-Frank; the Church;  
our nation and our world.  
Please pray for our brothers and sisters at  
Saint Andrews UMC in Santa Maria.  
Please pray for growth in our churches  
and a return to worship.  
Please pray for all the victims  
of war and natural disasters.  
Pray for peace.*


*If you have additions or corrections  
to the prayer list,  
please contact the office.*

## Here's what is happening at Yucaipa UMC!


**The Interfaith Community Support Center (ICSC)** meets the needs of needy families in our community. If you can help by purchasing some extra non-perishable food in addition to your regular cereal donations, bring it to the Narthex. Scrip cards are also welcome.



**Yucaipa Calimesa Family Assistance** is a great support for our elderly and disadvantaged neighbors. They are open MWF from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, and would love your donations of household goods, clothing, food, and extra produce from your trees or garden. They have a wonderful thrift shop with great bargains!



**Free Saturday Movies!** Note the **different date** for our June movie: **"Bridge to Terabithia"** in Faith Theater 2 on **Saturday, June 14 at 11:00 am**. The doors open at 10:30 am. Great low-cost snacks are available;  
**Invite a friend for a movie and lunch!**



The next **Pastor's Luncheon** will be on May 14<sup>th</sup> at Legend China 8 in Calimesa.  
The cost is \$15.00. Sign up at the Scrip table.

