

United Methodist Church of Yucaipa

Worship Service on May 17, 2026 – 9:30 am

**stand as you are able*

Hymn Sing

Raise your hand with your favorite hymn!

Prelude

Diane Kovach

Greetings and Announcements

Laurie Pertile

***Call to Worship**

The Lord is the everlasting God. He will not grow tired or weary.

He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

(Isaiah 40:28a, 29-31 NIV)

***Hymn** “On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand” #724 (vs 1-3)

Passing of the Peace

Joys and Concerns

Unison Prayer

Dear Lord Jesus, As we tread life’s long journey, we encounter obstacles that weary our steps and burdens that strain our strength. At times, pain lingers, and the battle before us feels too fierce to endure alone; yet you are our faithful companion along the way. When we are weary, you strengthen our weakness and help us carry on. By your Holy Spirit, kindle within us steadfast faith and endurance for the race set before us until we stand at last in the joy of your eternal presence. In your precious name, Amen.

Contributed by Pastor Phillips

Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

Hymn "Hymn of Promise" #707 (vs 1-3)

Scripture Reading Deuteronomy 31:1-8

Message "The Last Mile of the Way" Rev. Phillips Whang

The Presentation of Our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Diane Kovach

*Doxology #94

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn "The Power of Your Love" (Insert)
Guitar Accompaniment by Pastor Phillips

*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.

THE LAST MILE OF THE WAY

Marathons draw thousands of participants who spend years building their endurance and training to complete 42.195 kilometers (26.2 miles). At the starting line, the runners are prepared, determined, and eager to reach the finish; yet even with careful preparation, their energy eventually begins to fade, and their muscles grow weary. Many hit “the wall” midway through the race and slow down significantly as they approach the finish line; some give up altogether, while others struggle to find the strength simply to keep moving forward.

Life is often compared to a marathon and, at times, we feel like those exhausted runners nearing the end; we become physically, emotionally, and spiritually drained, wondering if we have enough strength left to continue.

Like King David in the Psalms, we may cry out to the Lord: “My soul is in deep anguish. How long, Lord, how long? I am worn out from my groaning” (Psalm 6:3, 6).

We must remember that we are running a different kind of marathon. We do not run alone—the Lord runs beside us. When we fall, He lifts us up. When we are discouraged, He comforts and encourages us. When we are weary, He renews our strength. So, hold on a little longer and hold firmly to His promise; until the race is finished, “The Lord goes before us, and will be with us. He will never leave us nor forsake us. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged” (Deuteronomy 31:8).

“The House of Faith”

Rev. Phillips Whang



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PRAYER LIST

Dan Anderson; Judy Salveson's brother Matthew Buckley;
The Armstrong Family on the passing of their
mother/grandmother, Darlene Coleman;
Bruce & Linda Crabtree; Helen Davis;
Johanne and Steve Dyerly;
Kenny Lingle's brother-in-law, Pat Fletcher;
David Brown and his sister, Melissa Higginson;
Ellayna Hoatson; Aleta Kerker; Bill Klein;
Becky King's sister, Dottie, and Dottie's husband, Tom.
Alicia Medina; Rachael Moore;
Pat Shores; Alison Spiegel; Emily Spiegel and her children:
Vianne and Wren Spiegel (Wren has Cerebral Palsy);
The Ray Wilson family; 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.

*Please contact the office if you have
additions or corrections to the prayer list.*

Here's what is happening at Yucaipa UMC!

Invite Someone to Church

We love seeing you at church each week and would like you all to extend an invitation to others.

Birthdays This Week

Join us in wishing those noted below Happy Birthday!

William Greening

Gary Moline

March 17 (Today)

The Chosen (Season 5): 11:00 am

Join us in the Camellia Room.

May 19 (Tuesday)

Book Club: 10:00 am

Join us in the Camellia Room for great discussion and snacks; this month's book is "*The Four Winds*" by Kristin Hannah. *This will be the last meeting until September 15th. Check out the summer reading list!*

May 22 (Friday)

Parent's Night Out: 6:00 – 8:30 pm

Join us for some free play, including ping pong, billiards, freeze tag, Connect Four, chess, checkers, coloring, puzzles, Twister, Foosball, and more!

Staters Scrip Cards

Purchase cards at the table in the Fellowship Hall.

\$25, \$50, and \$100 cards are now available!

This helps to support our church finances.

Interfaith Community Support Center (ICSC)

Bring cereal/other non-perishable donations to the
Narthex.

Check www.yucaipamethodist.org for more information.

The Power of Your Love

1. Lord, I come to you.

Let my heart be changed, renewed,
flowing from the grace that I've found in you.
Lord, I've come to know the weaknesses I see in me
will be stripped away by the power of your love.

Hold me close, let your love surround me;
bring me near, draw me to your side.
And as I wait, I'll rise up like the eagle
and I will soar with you.

Your spirit leads me on in the power of your love.

2. Lord, unveil my eyes, let me see you face to face,
the knowledge of your love as you live in me.

Lord, renew my mind, as your will unfolds in my life,
in living every day by the power of your love.

Hold me close, let your love surround me;
bring me near, draw me to your side.
And as I wait, I'll rise up like the eagle
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