



The Church of the Bells

December 1, 2024

Holy Communion | World AIDS Day

First Sunday of Advent · 8:00 & 11:00 am

3320 West Adams Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90018

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CENTERING MOMENT

The kingdom of God is close at hand. Be alert and see the signs of hope.

PRELUDE

"While We Are Waiting, Come"
Claire Coninger, Don Cason

Robert Johnson, Jr.

GREETING

Cynthia Matthews, *Liturgist*

CALL TO WORSHIP & ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

*As we journey through the Sundays of Advent,
listen to the promises of God:
Keep awake! Be watchful!*

8 am | Mitchell & Esteem Families
11 am | Karen Middleton Hill
& Helen Cooke

*The Son of Man is coming with power and great glory.
We hold our heads high, for our salvation is near.
We keep alert and watch for signs of hope.*

*Today, we light the first Advent candle,
reminding us how God's promised Messiah
will break into our time and space
to show us the way of salvation.
May we stay alert for his coming.*

*Adapted from Abingdon Worship Annual
(Mary Petrina Boyd) and
UMCDiscipleship.org (Rev. Beg Ogsden)*

(Light the first candle of the Advent wreath.)

OPENING PRAYER

*God of every season, as we begin our journey through Advent,
turn our hearts toward you. Guide us into your realm of peace
and joy. Teach us to set aside our worries, as we walk in
faithfulness and trust. May the love within us be born anew.*

Help us remain alert, that we may respond to pain and suffering and notice the signs of abundant life all around us.

Come, Lord Jesus; come to us now, we pray. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Hymnal #211

IN REMEMBRANCE OF WORLDS AIDS DAY

O God, on this World AIDS Sunday, we give thanks for your life-giving love. In you there is always hope, and in you, there is fullness of life. As we light a candle of remembrance for our brothers and sisters impacted by HIV/AIDS, revive us with your Spirit, inspire us with your love, nourish us with your peace, that light may shine upon all who are weary and overshadowed by the darkness of sickness. Let us be beacons of hope, children of light. May we show love to one another as we search for treatments, seek a cure, and strive for prevention. Open our hearts as we respond to HIV/AIDS. We pray in Jesus’ name. **Amen.**

MINISTRY OF MUSIC “Child of God” Holman Choir
Mark Miller

SCRIPTURE **Luke 21:25-36**
Common English Bible

SONG OF PREPARATION “And the Glory of the Lord” Holman Choir
George F. Handel

MESSAGE “Stay Woke” Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin
Lead Pastor

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

INVITATIONAL HYMN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HOLY COMMUNION *A Service of Word and Table II* Hymnal p. 12

COMMUNION HYMN “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” Hymnal #298

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR TITHES & OFFERING

BENEDICTION “While We Are Waiting, Come” Holman Choir
Evelyn Cureton

POSTLUDE “Emmanuel” Robert Johnson, Jr.
Daryl L. Coley

TODAY IN WORSHIP: Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin, *Lead Pastor*; Rev. Dr. Jennifer Oliver, *Associate Pastor*; Rev. Louis Chase, *Minister of Community Outreach*; *In Memoriam* Rev. James M. Lawson, Jr., *Pastor Emeritus*; Cynthia Matthews, *Liturgist*; Holman Choir, William Campbell, Jr., *Director*; Robert Johnson, Jr., *Organist*; Ricardo L. J. Mowatt, *Drummer*; David R. Sears, *Production Mixer*; Mark Conway, *Video Director*; Keith McGruder, *House Mixer*; Fitzroy Younge, *House Mixer*; Jules Green, *Post-Production*; Mychael Carter, *Audio Tech/Mixer*

WAYS TO GIVE

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- **Radio Broadcast Sponsorship:** Take advantage of a 20% discount on the 11am worship broadcast on KJLH Radio Free 102.3 FM!
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- **Altar Flowers Sponsorship:** Visit holmanumc.com/give and choose flowers.



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CONGREGATIONAL CARE

PRAYER LIST | Gloria Bailey, Hazel Storey and family; Dr. Bettye Walker and family; Anita Hayes and family, Ovis Massey, Cynthia Marroquin-Henley, Thresa Thomas, Reggie Thomas, Gweneth Alexander, the family of Dr. Barbara Lake, the family of Wilfred Malcolm, Marjorie Ellington, Hazel Storey, Kamille Linton, Ronald Rabb, Samantha McQueen, Jules Green, Vera Cincore, Dr. Harold Jordan, Larry Turner, Freddie Muse, Jr.



BEREAVEMENT | **Professor Hildreth “Hal” Walker, Jr.** passed away on Sunday evening, November 24, 2024, at Blaauwberg Hospital, Cape Town, South Africa. Arrangements are pending. Please keep the Walker family in prayer. | **Dr. Herbert Conley**, brother of longtime members Gloria Bailey and Hazel Storey, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday afternoon, November 23rd. Plans are pending. Please keep the family in prayer. | **Mrs. Etta G. Williams**, the mother of Holman member Anita Hayes, made her transition on November 1. She was 105 years old. Funeral services were held on Monday, November 25 at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Long Beach. Please keep Ms. Hayes and her family in prayer. | The **Celebration of Life of Dr. Barbara Lake** is scheduled for **Friday, December 6 at 11:00 am** in the Holman sanctuary. Please keep the Lake family in prayer. | Homegoing services for **Wilfred Malcolm** are pending. Please keep Mr. Malcolm’s family in prayer.

CELEBRATION OF BIRTH | On November 11, 2024, the daughter and son-in-law of Marilyn Fonseca, Camille Fonseca and her husband, Kevin Kory, welcomed their first child and Marilyn’s first grandchild, **Andrew Fonseca Kory**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Advent Book Study** begins Monday, December 2 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. Sign up at the Holman website. This year’s book is *The Heart That Grew Three Sizes* by Matt Rawle. Copies of the book will be available for \$16 each, immediately following 8:00 and 11:00 am services.
- On Saturday, December 7 at 9:00 am, there will be a **special called meeting of the Church Council** to approve the 2025 budget in anticipation of our All-Church Charge Conference. All voting members, please attend.
- The **2024 All-Church Charge Conference** is scheduled for **Wednesday, December 18 at 7:00 p.m.** **Charge Conference reports are due next Sunday, November 24.** Council members, please submit electronic charge conference forms. Ministry chairs are requested to complete electronic forms as well. Contact the church office at caroline@holmanumc.com if you need the link.

This Week @ HOLMAN

www.holmanumc.com/calendar

Sunday, Dec 1

Sunday Worship: 8:00 am

8–9:15am | Every Sunday
Sanctuary

Adult Sunday School: Zoom + Phone

9:30–10:30am | Every Sunday
Online

Children's Church/Sunday School: Gathering

DIGITAL LESSON | "[Be Ready for Jesus!](#)"

9:30–10:30am | Every Sunday
Johnson Chapel

Book Talk: Zoom

9:30–10:45am | Every Sunday
Online

Sunday Worship: 11:00 am

11am–12:15pm | Every Sunday
Sanctuary

Holman Choir Rehearsal: 12:30-2:00 pm

12:30-2:00pm | Every Sunday
Bowick Music Room (111)

Holman UWF Spiritual Growth Circle

1:00-3:00pm | Every 3rd Sunday
Crockett Library

Tuesday, Dec 3

A-MAN STEM Center: After School Program

3:30–5:30pm | Every Tuesday and Thursday
Education Building, Rms 2 & 9

Finance Committee Monthly Meeting

6:30–7:45pm | The third Tuesday of every month
Online

Thursday, Dec 5

Thursday Bible Study

1–2pm | Every Thursday
Phone

Friday, Dec 6

Friday Morning Prayer Group: Prayer Service

7:30–8:30am | Every Friday
Phone

Saturday, Dec 7

Called Church Council Meeting

9-9:45am | [Zoom](#)

Advent at Holman



Saturday, Dec 7

Advent Bazaar

10am–3pm | L. L. White Hall

Sunday, December 8

Gift Sunday

Following worship services

Advent Bazaar

10am–3pm | L. L. White Hall (following worship services)

Handel's Messiah

3pm | Sanctuary

Holman Choir and Jubilant Voices at Leonard Beerman Foundation for Justice and Peace

6-8pm | Sanctuary
Leo Baeck Temple | 1300 N. Sepulveda Bl. | L.A., CA 90049

Saturday, December 14

CYFC Annual Holiday Festival

8am-3pm | L. L. White Hall & Parking Lot

Holman United Women in Faith Annual Christmas Luncheon

11am-3pm
Proud Bird Restaurant | 11022 Aviation Bl. | L.A., CA 90049

Sunday, December 15

A Soulful Christmas featuring the Holman UMC Children and Youth Ministries

9:45-10:45am | Sanctuary

Wednesday, December 18

All Church Charge Conference

7-8:30pm | Zoom