

## December 22, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Advent · 8:00 & 11:00 am 3320 West Adams Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90018

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#### **CENTERING MOMENT**

With fullness of heart, soul, and mind, we gather to glorify God and to rejoice in God, our Savior.

PRELUDE

INTROIT

GREETING

*"The First One Ever"* Linda Wilberger Egan

*"O Come All Ye Faithful" "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"*  Robert Johnson, Jr.

Holman Handbell Choir

Theodore King Liturgist

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP & ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING**

Rejoice in the presence and love of Christ. **We rejoice in the one who lives in our hearts.** Rejoice, for Christ brings justice and peace to our world. **We rejoice in the one who calls us to justice and peace.** Rejoice with faith and hope. **We rejoice in the one whose promises are true.** As Christ was born in Bethlehem, so too we answer God's invitation to have Christ born among us today and every day. We light this candle of love as a sign of our commitment to live as people of God's promise, a

promise of salvation and flourishing for all people that springs forth from God's love for all creation.

(Light the fourth candle of the Advent wreath.

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

God of ancient days and future visions, we come into your presence to celebrate the joy of your Holy Spirit and the blessing of your Son, Christ Jesus. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, as you filled Elizabeth long ago. Sing through our songs of joy, as you sang through Mary. Speak through our words and our thoughts,

8 am | Robert & Kimberly Rodgers 11 am | Debra Page & Sheila Faulk

Adapted from Abingdon Worship Annual (Mary Scifres and UMDiscipleship.org (Rev. Beg Ogsden) that we may grow closer to the justice and the peace of Christ Jesus, who calls us here today. In Christ's holy and blessed name, we pray. Amen. Abingdon Worship Annual (Mary Scifres)

PRAISE AND WORSHIP	<i>"Jesus, Oh What a Wonderful Child"</i> William Gaither	
MINISTRY OF MUSIC	"Carol of the Bells"	Jubilant Voices Hand Bell Choir
SCRIPTURE	Luke 1:46-55 Common English Bible	
SONG OF PREPARATION	<i>"Mary Did You Know"</i> Buddy Greene	Jubilant Voices
MESSAGE	"Magnify the Lord"	Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin <i>Lead Pastor</i>
INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP		

**INVITATIONAL HYMN** 

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** 

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

#### **THANKSGIVING FOR TITHES & OFFERING**

#### **BENEDICTION**

Go forth with joy. Go forth in faith. May peace be our way in the world.

#### POSTLUDE

*"Hold On, Help Is On the Way"* Kenneth Paden, Whitney Houston Robert Johnson, Jr.

**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*; Theodore King, *Liturgist*; Holman Choir, William Campbell, Jr., Director; Holman Hand Bell Choir, Kimberly Green-Russell, 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* 

The live broadcast of today's 11:00 am worship celebration on 102.3 FM, **Radio Free KJLH**, is sponsored by **Dr. Bettye Walker:** "In memory of my loving husband, Prof. Hildreth Hal Walker, Jr., our loving father, grandfather, great grandfather, friend and Role Model to young and old! A true history maker in the Scientific world by being the first to place the Laser on the Moon during the Apollo11 Moon Landing. "Thou wilt keep him in Perfect Peace whose mind is stayed on Thee" (Is. 26:3). God loves you and so do we, Dr Bettye Walker, Raymond, Allison, Justin and Family!"



**WORDS OF APPRECIATION**: Dear Holman UMC, **Ruth Smith, Rosalind Smith Mills, and the Mills** family thank you so much for your prayers, cards, calls, and gifts. God Bless each and every one of you.

# CHOLMAN Announcements

#### WAYS TO GIVE

- Mail: Send to Holman UMC, 3320 W Adams Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90018
- Radio Broadcast Sponsorship: Take advantage of a 20% discount on the 11am worship broadcast on KJLH Radio Free 102.3 FM!
- Online: Go to the church website @ <u>www.holmanumc.com/give</u>
- Altar Flowers Sponsorship: Visit <u>holmanumc.com/give</u> and choose flowers.

Access the broadcast sponsorship form at <u>www.holmanumc.com/forms</u> and be a blessing today!

#### CONGREGATIONAL CARE

**PRAYER LIST** | Dr. Bettye Walker and family, Hazel Storey, Pauline Fields, Ovis Massey, Cynthia Marroquin-Henley, Thresa Thomas, Reggie Thomas, Gweneth Alexander, the family of Dr. Barbara Lake, the family of Wilfred Malcolm, Samantha McQueen, Dr. Harold Jordan, Larry Turner, Freddie Muse, Jr.



**BEREAVEMENT** | A celebration of the life of Professor Hildreth "Hal" Walker, Jr. was held on Thursday, December 19, 11:00 am at Holman. Please keep the Walker family in prayer.

#### AFTER WORSHIP

• Join us for Hospitality and Fellowship immediately following service in the Library.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Advent Book Study continues Monday, December 23 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. This year's book is *The Heart That Grew Three Sizes: Finding Faith in the Story of the Grinch* by Matt Rawle.
- In observance of Christmas, the Holman office will be closed Tuesday, December 24 Thursday, December 26. The office will reopen Friday, December 27, at 10:00 a.m.
- Sponsor Christmas Decorations! Purchase **poinsettia plants** in honor or memory of loved ones. Each 7" plant costs \$15. When using <u>Vanco</u> or <u>Givelify</u>, choose "Other" and specify that your gift is for poinsettias. Enter your message (Givelify) or note (Vanco) before checkout. Call the office for assistance (323) 703-5868. *Thank you*!

This Week @ CHOLNAN

www.holmanumc.com/calendar

Sunday, Dec 22 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**

DIGITAL LESSON "<u>Magnify the Lordl</u>" 9:30-100:30am | Every Sunday

#### **Book Talk: Zoom**

9:15–10:15am | Every Sunday | Online Noel Leo Erskine, *Black Theology and Black Faith* 

#### 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)

### Tuesday, Dec 24 Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve Worship 7:00-8:00pm | Online OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday, Dec 25 Christmas Day OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday, Dec 26 **Thursday Bible Study** 1–2pm | Every Thursday | Phone **OFFICE CLOSED** 

Friday, Dec 27 Friday Morning Prayer Group: Prayer Service 7:30–8:30am | Every Friday | Phone OFFICE REOPENS AT 10:00am

## Mark Your Calendar!

Monday, December 23 Advent Book Study: The Heart That Grew Three Sizes 7–8pm | Online

Tuesday, December 24 Christmas Eve Worship Service 7–8pm | Online

Sunday, December 29 Combined Worship Service 11am-12:15pm | Sanctuary



#### HOLIDAY OFFICE SCHEDULE

Tuesday, 12/24 - Thursday, 12/26

New Year's Eve - Tuesday, December 31

• Open 10am-1pm

New Year's Day - Wednesday, January 1