

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Rev. John Farley District Superintendent

Bishop Grant Hagiya Resident Bishop

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Dear Sisters and Brothers of First United Methodist Church of San Diego

On behalf of Bishop Grant Hagiya and his Cabinet, I share with you that after an exhaustive nationwide search, and much prayer and consultation; it is Bishop Grant Hagiya's intent to appoint the Rev. Trudy Robinson to serve as your Lead Pastor effective January 1, 2020. Rev. Robinson is a gifted and experienced pastor who has served a number of large church appointments in the Mountain Sky Conference of our Western Jurisdiction. Rev. Robinson is currently the Lead pastor of Littleton UMC, a 1200 member congregation in the Denver area of Colorado. A gifted preacher and administrator, Rev. Robinson has a rich experience in worship, discipleship, pastoral care, outreach and stewardship. As a church leader and developer, she is uniquely gifted to lead San Diego First UMC into an era of vibrant growth. Rev. Robinson will work together with Rev. Dorval, your clergy team and lay leadership for a smooth and effective ministry transition.

The congregation will have an opportunity to meet Rev. Robison Sunday November 3rd when she will bring the message in worship as we celebrate 150 years of ministry by the First United Methodist Church of San Diego.

On behalf of our Bishop, I thank you for your faithfulness, and ask you to hold your entire pastoral staff and elected lay leadership in your prayers during this time of change.

In ministry together,

Rev. John Farley District Superintendent South District

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