



FIRST CHURCH

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

of SAN DIEGO

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FIRST CHURCH IS A COMMUNITY THAT IS GROWING
IN GRACE AND REACHING OUT WITH LOVE.

Invitation

“So long as the memory of certain beloved friends lives in my heart,
I shall say that life is good.”

~ Helen Keller

Prelude: *Jerusalem, My Happy Home*.arr. George Shearing
Dr. Jaebon Hwang, *Associate Director / Organist*

Words of Welcome. Rev. Trudy Robinson

Opening Song: *Precious Lord, Take My Hand (vs. 1 and 3)*

Unison Prayer:

Holy God, come to us in the quiet. Surround us with your presence. Reach into our hearts and bring us comfort, peace, and hope. Take those we love and bind them to us. Remind us of the love that never ends. Help us see beyond the brief span of a lifetime into Your eternity. Amen.

Lesson from the Hebrew Bible: *Genesis 1:1-5*

Response Song: *Breathe on Me Breath of God (vs. 1)*

Lesson from the Psalter: *Psalms 139:1-12*

Response Song: *Breathe on Me Breath of God* (vs. 2)

Lesson from the Gospels: *Matthew 5:14-16*

Response Song: *Breathe on Me Breath of God* (vs. 3)

A Message of HopeRev. Trudy Robinson

Solo: *Give Me Jesus* arr. Moses Hogan
Carolyn DalMonte, *soprano*

In the morning when I rise, give me Jesus. You may have all of this world, give me Jesus. Dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus. Oh, when I comes to die, give me Jesus. (Afro-American spiritual)

Naming

A Moment of Silence

Solo: *Steal Away to Jesus* arr. H. T. Burleigh
Carolyn DalMonte, *soprano*

Steal away to Jesus. Steal away home, I ain't got long to stay here. My Lord calls me, he calls me by the thunder. The trumpet sounds within-a my soul. Green trees a-bending, the sinner stands a-trembling. (Afro-American spiritual)

Poem by Margaret Mead

To the living, I am gone.
To the sorrowful, I will never return.
To the angry, I was cheated,
But to the happy, I am at peace,
And to the faithful, I have never left.

I cannot be seen, but I can be heard.
So as you stand upon a shore, gazing at a beautiful sea—
remember me.
As you look in awe at a mighty forest and its grand majesty—
remember me.
As you look upon a flower and admire its simplicity—
remember me.

Remember me in your heart, your thoughts,
your memories of the times we loved,
the times we cried, the times we fought,
the times we laughed.
For if you always think of me, I will never be gone.

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Closing Song: *Be Still, My Soul* (vs. 1 and 3)

Blessing Rev. Trudy Robinson

Postlude: *There is a Happy Land*arr. George Shearing



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