First Sunday after Christmas

December 28, 2025, Worship Service 9:30 AM

For this mark *, please stand if you are able.

Prelude	Bev Worthington					
* Opening Hymn / Procession / Lighting of Candles						
Come, Thou Almighty King, UMH 61 (1 & 4)						
* Call to Worship	Together					
* Invocation	Soleil De Leon					
Gathering Hymns						
Let There be Peace on Earth, UMH 431 (x2)						
Call to Confession / Assurance of Forgiveness						
Announcements / Joys / Passing of Pea	ce Soleil De Leon					
Scripture Reading	Samuel Chen					
Isaiah 63:7-9 // Matthew 2:13-23						
Children's Time	Adrienne Peters					
Special Music	Choir					
Total Praise						
Sermon	Rev. Myeong Shin Nam					
Where is Jesus Christ afte	r Christmas?					
Centering Hymn						
On Eagle Wings, UMH 143 (x2)						
Concerns & Prayers						
Lord's Prayer						
* Sharing the Gifts	Doxology, UMH 94					
* Sending Forth Hymn						
Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, UMH 438 (1 & 2)						
* Sending Forth Blessing Rev. Myeong Sh						
Postlude	Bev Worthington					

Today's Scripture

Isaiah 63:7-9

- 7. I will recount the gracious deeds of the LORD, the praiseworthy acts of the LORD, because of all that the LORD has done for us and the great favor to the house of Israel that he has shown them according to his mercy, according to the abundance of his steadfast love.
- 8. For he said, "Surely they are my people, children who will not act deceitfully," and he became their savior
- 9. in all their distress. It was no messenger or angel but his presence that saved them; in his love and pity it was he who redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

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Matthew 2:13-23

- 13. Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him."
- 14. Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt
- 15. and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son."
- 16. When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the magi, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the magi.
- 17. Then what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled:
- 18. "A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more."
- 19. When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said,
- 20. "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead."
- 21. Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel.
- 22. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee.
- 23. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazarene."

Worship Contributors

Acolyte: Daphney De Leon (Next Week: Danika Wijetunga)

Liturgist: Soleil De Leon (Next Week: Adele Dow)

Scripture Reader: Loren Peters (Next Week: Loranne Shoptaw)

Usher: Helen Johnson (Next Week: Sharon Meehan)

Audio/Visual Team: Ethan C. / Lia P. (Next Week: Ethan C. / Lia P.)

Music Director: Virginia Thompson

Accompanists: Bev Worthington (Piano), Latrosse Harris (Drum), Loren Peters (Horn), Roger Doering (Trumpet)

Weekly Programs

Sunday

Sun 9:30 AM Worship (Sanctuary / Zoom) Sun 10:30 AM Fellowship (Wesley Room)

Sun 10:45 AM Adult Sunday School (Library / Zoom)
Sun 11:00 AM Sunday Bible Study (Small Group Room)

Weekdays

Wed 7:00 PM Faith & Life Conversation (Zoom)

Thu 11:30 AM Choir Rehearsal

Announcements

- Holy Communion: Sunday, January 5. Communion assistants: Loren Peters, Cecilio De Leon, Kolo Liku, Adele Dow. Communion Table: Helena Chen
- Banner Change & Removal of Christmas Decoration: Sunday, January 5, 11:00 am. All members are invited to help.
- **The Spire** will be issued on January 2.
- Staff Update: Our Music Director, Virginia, will conclude her service by today.
- New-Year Holiday Office Closure: Thursday, January 1.
- January Birthdays: Tracy Zapata, Jim Cleaveland, Charlotte Davis, Lillian Cutter, Helen Johnson, Helena Chen, Rob Clark, Audrey Liku, Josephine Wolfgramm, Wendy Quayle.

2026 Ministry Assignment Update:

Sunday	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Acolyte	Danika	Kalisitiane	Daphney	Jericho	Athena
	Wijetunga	Liku	De Leon	Zapata	De Leon
Scripture	Loranne	Jim	Ysabel	Ben	Danika
Reader	Shoptaw	Cleaveland	Zapata	Verano	Wijetunga