November 25, 2023

**Upcoming Sermon Series** 

December 2 to 23

# Loma Linda University Church

## **Church at Worship**

9:00 & 11:45 a.m. Services

Video Announcements

Prelude Come, Ye Thankful People, Come arr. J. D. Payne

Pastoral Welcome Joey Oh

Hymn of Praise We Gather Together Theodore Baker

Prayer Miguel Mendez

Tithes and Offerings Local Church Budget Doug Mace (Loose offerings go to church budget.)

Offertory Variations on "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Michael Burkhardt

Musical Praise Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee arr. Larry Hundley

Baptism Brandon Pallone Miguel Mendez<sup>4</sup>

Lamb's Offering This Little Light of Mine Harry D. Loes

Children's Feature Shawna Campbell

Anthem Thankful Bayer Sager, Foster, Page

Scripture Reading Luke 17:11-19, NIV

Teri & Richard Blum-Johnston

Sermon A Surprising Thank You! Randy Roberts

Closing Prayer Randy Roberts

Postlude Now Thank We All Our God

Sigfrid Karg-Elert, Fred Bock

#### **Worship Service Participating Musicians**

Christina Liem, Lynnetta Skoretz, Britany Alexander, choristers

A Simple Gift; Emily Brown, Ellie Brown, Emma Brown; Christian Freed, vocals

Annie Moretta, violin; Jim Lee, cello; Rachelle Gensolin, piano

Adriana Perera, piano; Kimo Smith, organ



#### Forgotten

The Often-Overlooked Characters of Christmas

Do you ever feel Forgotten? Overlooked? Neglected? Like God is interested in others and is working elsewhere? Like others are important and you are insignificant? Like you could disappear and life would go on? Like, without you, the world would still be just fine?

If that describes you, then you may be interested in the *often-overlooked characters of Christmas*. A neglected man. A speechless priest. An aging prophet. A worshiping widow. They were overlooked at the time. Today, they're often simply forgotten. Yet, without them, the Christmas story would not be the same.

They serve as timeless reminders that God often works in quiet corners in unnoticed ways at surprising times in overlooked people.

And that's precisely where God may be most at work this Christmas.

In people like me, like you, in places like this, at times like now.

#### Together in Prayer

JOIN US! Every Sabbath our Prayer Room (room 102, south side of church) is open between 10 and 11:30 a.m. You may also submit your prayer requests or comments any time at lluc.org. And call in our daily 7 a.m. prayer line family by dialing (909)361-6220, enter ID number 11125#.

Assisted listening devices are available to check out from the deacons' room.

Questions or Comments: www.lluc.org

Church Office Hours: M.-Th., 8am - 4pm ; F., 8am-noon. Closed Tu., 8:30-9:30am

#### **Anthem Modern Service**

Auditorium

10:00 & 11:30 a.m. Services

### **Baptism**



**Brandon Pallone** has chosen to be baptized because of his belief in Jesus and his desire to be closer to him.

## Family Ministry Building Program







#### **Church and Community Life**

A memorial service for Dale Isaeff will be on Sunday, December 3, at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**LLUC Pathfinders** are partnering with UReach to collect new or gently used jackets and hygiene kits (new razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, deodorants) for the unhoused community. Pathfinders will be receiving donations in the Courtyard (near the Family Ministries Building) today from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. For more information on how to get involved or donate, call the UReach office at (909)796-8357.

The LLUC Children's Choirs' Christmas play this year focuses on community outreach and service. On December 2 at 10:30 a.m., the children invite YOU to participate by bringing any of the following items: hats, jackets, gloves, socks, wrapped gifts for kids, school supplies, canned goods and pantry items. Collection will take place during the play.

Light of Love: A Christmas Musical of the Nativity: LLUC Media is pleased to present an original Christmas musical of the nativity titled Light of Love. Described as Princess Bride meets Disney, this family-friendly show encompasses the relatable humor and challenges of everyday life along with a heartfelt message of hope, acceptance, and love for the outsiders. Performances will be in the auditorium on December 16 at 7 p.m., December 17 at 2 and 7 p.m., and December 21 and 23 at 7 p.m. Go to Iluc.org for more information on tickets and how to support this project and future projects!

The Giving Season is upon us! Your church leaders ask if you will prayerfully consider a special gift for our building program on Sabbath, December 16. We look forward to paying down a significant portion of the principal of our loan this year. Remember any amount over 2 million dollars at the end of the year is applied directly to the loan principal. Thank you for your continued faithfulness in giving.

**Music Ministry** is grateful for the support of the LLUC church community throughout the year. Season's Greetings offers an opportunity to express a special "Christmas appreciation" for the dedication and sharing of the God-given talents that Music Ministry volunteers and personnel bring to LLUC. With a gift of \$50 or more, your name will be listed as a supporter of this vital ministry on a beautifully designed Season's Greeting page on the church website. Your gift of love is truly appreciated! Contribution deadline is December 16.

**Rejoice:** A Joyful Celebration of Christmas. Tim Zimmerman and The King's Brass will perform at the Calimesa SDA Church on Friday, December 15, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, December 16, at 4 p.m. For tickets, go to iTickets.com or call (800)965-9324.



#### **Calendar of Events**

Sunday, November 25 1:30 p.m.

Dementia Caregivers Support Group, room 102

Tuesday, November 28 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Experiencing God Bible Study, Zoom meeting, ID 985 953 81381 Experiencing God Bible Study, Zoom meeting, ID 531 952 429 or

6:30-8:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

call (669)900-6833 Divorce Care, room 1402

Wednesday, November 29 6:00 p.m.

Open Prayer Circle, room 102

Friday, December 1 7:30 p.m.

Night Church (Praxis), Young Adults, Family Ministries Bldg auditorium

Sabbath, December 2 9:00 & 11:45 a.m.

Joseph: The Neglected Man, Forgotten (part 1 of 4), Randy Roberts, Sanctuary

10:00 a.m.

10:30 a m

Praxis Young Adult Sabbath School, Family Ministries Bldg lower level, room 0402

LLUC Children's choir play Cake,

Sanctuary

10:00 & 11:30 a.m. 4:30 p.m. Anthem Modern Service, auditorium LLA Concert *Hallelujah*, Sanctuary

Sunset Today - 4:41 p.m.

Sunset Next Week - 4:40 p.m.

## For a complete list of Sabbath Schools go to lluc.org/sabbath-school-groups.







