Decmeber 2, 2023 —

New Sermon Series

December 2 to 23

Loma Linda University Church

Church at Worship

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

Video Announcements

Prelude O Come, O Come Emmanuel arr. Craig Phillips

Pastoral Welcome Filip Milosavljevic

Call to Worship O Come, Let Us Adore Him Frederick Oakeley

Advent Candllighting David, Lavonne, Kai, Niko, and Isla Sugiyama¹ Stephanie, Marlon, Margeaux, and Sloane Pandjaitan⁴

Hymn of Praise Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus Charles Wesley

Prayer Anita Roberts

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

Offertory Joseph's Song Michael Card

Child Dedication Xaen Oberyn Pulido-Rantung Joey Oh4

Anthem What Child Is This? arr. Tripp Carter

Meditation⁴

Scripture Reading Matthew 1:18-25, NIV Annilyn Villamor, Cayleigh Primero, Lyla Oms

Sermon Joseph: The Neglected Man Randy Roberts

Forgotten (part 1 of 4)

Closing Prayer Randy Roberts

Postlude Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

arr. Mark Thallander

Worship Service Participating Musicians

Jeanette Schmidt, Ken Schmidt, William Silva, choristers; Richard Lim, vocal
Adriana Perera, piano; Kimo Smith, organ
Sanctuary Choir; Darren Belleau, conductor



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

Child Dedication



Xaen Oberyn Pulido-Rantung was born September 18, 2022. He is the son of Wendhy and Xarlyn Rantung. Wendhy is a registered nurse at St. Bernardine Medical Center, and Xarlyn is a nurse practitioner at Contour Dermatology and Cosmetic Surgery Center. Xaen has one older sister, Xolara Cecilia Pulido-Rantung.

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. A visitation and time of sharing and remembrance will be held Monday, December 4, from 10 to 11 a.m. at Valley Vista Chapel at Montecito Memorial Park with the burial following at 11:30 a.m. Memorial contributions in memory of Dale Isaeff may be made to LLUC for the Grief Support Ministry, Music Ministry, and Media Ministry.

The floral arrangement today is given in loving memory of our beloved Labeeb Edmond Haddad as a bouquet of hope. He would have been celebrating his 62nd birthday, but he was taken away from us 31 years ago. We shall meet again on that bright and glorious morning. With love from dad, mom, and the family.

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.

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.

Praxis Christmas Benefit Concert with Jackie and friends will be tonight at 6 p.m. Funds will go to the Maui fire relief as close friends and families have been directly affected. Doors open at 5:45 p.m. in the Auditorium with a suggested donation of \$10. Dress in formal attire and wear red in honor of Lahaina!

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.

The Pathfinders would like to thank those who donated jackets. coats, and hygiene items during the month of November. Almost 200 jackets and coats were collected. Some of the donated jackets were used for the King and Queens Thanksgiving event and continue to be distributed at the UReach Renew program. If you would still like to make a donation of jackets, coats, and hygiene items, drop them off at the UReach Office located at 24914 Barton Road, Loma Linda, on Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. For questions, call (909)796-8357.

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, December 3 1:30 p.m.

Dementia Caregivers Support Group, room 102

Tuesday, December 5 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Experiencing God Bible Study. Zoom meeting, ID 985 953 81381

6:30-8:00 p.m.

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

call (669)900-6833

Wednesday, December 6 6:00 p.m.

Open Prayer Circle, room 102

Friday, December 8 7:30 p.m.

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

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

Zechariah: The Speechless Priest,

Forgotten (part 2 of 4), Randy Roberts, Sanctuary

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

room 0402

10:00 & 11:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m.

Anthem Modern Service, auditorium Christmas Candlelight Concert,

Sanctuary

Sunset Today - 4:40 p.m.

Sunset Next Week - 4:40 p.m.

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







