



Church at Worship

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

Video Announcements

Prelude *Joyous!* arr. Paul Chaivin
Sanctuary Brass Ensemble; Craig Mohr, conductor

Pastoral Welcome Filip Milosavljevic

Musical Praise *Magnificat* Guy Forbes
LLA Pro Musica; Kristian Leukert, conductor

Advent Candle Lighting Erween, Lian, Evan, Elliana Tangunan¹
Jason, Stephanie, Grayson Keeth⁴

Hymn of Praise *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* Traditional
Viveka Smith, Erin Stone, JT Feliciano, Hezekial Naibaho, choristers;
Sanctuary Brass Ensemble; Craig Mohr, conductor

Prayer Jamie Stodola

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

Offertory *Wexford Carol* arr. Phil Snedecor
Sanctuary Brass Ensemble; Craig Mohr, conductor

Baptism Evelyn Rose Kirklin Joey Oh⁴

Anthem *Mary, Did You Know?* Craig Courtney
Pro Musica; Arianna Williams, vocal;
Abby Tching, piano; Kristian Leukert, conductor

Meditation⁴

Scripture Luke 18:15-17 Carl Canwell,
Andrea Lau, Scotty Ray

Sermon **Children Over Adults?** Randy Roberts
The Gift (Part 2 of 4)

Closing Prayer Randy Roberts

Postlude *Postlude on "Adeste Fideles"* Eric H. Thiman
Kimo Smith, organ

Family Ministry Building Program



Baptism



Evelyn Rose Kirklin recently decided at Pine Springs Ranch to give herself to Jesus, spending the rest of her life in relationship with him. A seventh grader at Loma Linda Academy, Evelyn enjoys being part of the Loma Linda University Church community. She enjoys spending quality time with her mom and participating in different church activities. She also loves to read, draw, and swim.

Together in Prayer

At this time, more than ever, we want to pray together. Every Sabbath our Prayer Room (room 102, south side of church) is open between 10 and 11:30 a.m. You may submit your prayer requests or comments any time at lluc.org. Join our daily 7 a.m. prayer line family by calling (909)361-6220, enter ID number 11125#.

Questions or Comments: www.lluc.org

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

Sunset Today - 4:40 p.m. Sunset Next Week - 4:42 p.m.

Anthem Modern Service

Auditorium

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

New Sermon Series



The Gift...

For Those on Whom God's Favor Rests

The heavenly chorus proclaimed the good news of Advent to the shepherds on the hills outside Bethlehem:

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." (Luke 2:13-14, NIV).

This is the best of all good news! Yet the last line raises a question: *Upon exactly whom does God's favor rest?*

As Luke recounts the story of Jesus, the answer to the question is stunning because throughout the ministry of Jesus, God's favor consistently rests upon the *last* people who ought to have expected to receive it.

Two thousand years later the news is *still* stunning! The identity of "those on whom his favor rests" is still astonishing because those who think they would *never* be the object of God's favor are about to receive the greatest Christmas of all: *God's peace!*

Church & Community Life

A **life celebration memorial service** will be held for Ernest S. Zane on Sunday, December 18 at 11 a.m. in the Auditorium. A livestream will also be viewable at lluc.org. Donations may be made in his honor to The Ernest Zane Endowed Fund for Ophthalmology Education (est. 2011) and the Dr. Zane Award Fund (est. 2022) to honor the top LLUSM student entering the field of ophthalmology at the LLU School of Medicine.

The floral arrangement today is given in honor of Virginia Iller Wical (CME/LLU/Nursing Class of '55), 91, who passed away peacefully in her sleep on October 23. She had been a faithful member of LLUC for over 70 years. Virginia and her husband, Dr. Kenneth Wical, (LLU-School of Dentistry 1954-2010) served on many missions around the world. She is loved and missed by her four children, their spouses and her four grandchildren. She asks that any remembrances be given to ADRA at donations.adra.org.

The giving season is upon us! Please prayerfully consider a special gift for our on-going Family Ministry Building program on Sabbath, December 17. We look forward to paying down a significant portion of the principal of our loan this year. Remember any amount over 2 million dollars collected throughout the year goes directly to the principal. Thank you for your continued faithfulness in giving. Your pastoral staff.

Ladies Christmas Tea: It is that time when we celebrate the women (young and young at heart!) at LLUC who contribute to the life of our church. This is a ticketed event but for our viewing audience, great news! Thanks to our creative media team, you can join the Tea via livestream at lluc.org. Set your table with pretty cups and some cookies. Invite a friend over for tea and enjoy the wonderful program December 17 at 3 p.m.

Bethlehem Bonanza: Families are invited to bring a friend to our Bethlehem Bonanza today, during Sabbath School, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in our Outdoor Amphitheater. Children's Ministry has fun activities planned celebrating the birth of Christ.

Christmas Candlelight Concert: "The Gift of Heaven": The LLUC Music Ministry invites you to the 2022 Christmas Candlelight Concert today at 4:00 and 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Join the Sanctuary Choir, Orchestra, Brass, BellForza, Kimo Smith, guest soloists Raejin Lee, Charles Reid, and more, as together we celebrate "The Gift of Heaven." Join us as we sing favorite Christmas carols at this special concert. Tickets are available online at lluc.org.

Messiah sing-along: Join the Sanctuary Choir, soloists, and chamber orchestra for this LLUC sing-along tradition on Sabbath, December 17, first and fourth services. Bring your own score or borrow one in the lobby. For information, contact Brenda Mohr at sanctuarychoirluc@gmail.com.

Season's Greetings are expressed each year by members through a contribution of \$25 to support the Music Ministry. Designate your contribution "Season's Greetings" and list your name exactly as you would like it to appear on the list. Contribution deadline is December 17.

"Let There Be Joy," A Christmas Concert with Susana and Sergio Leiva. Come for a wonderful Christmas celebration with soprano Susana Jasen Leiva and pianist Sergio Leiva. Sing and enjoy some of your favorite Christmas carols! December 18 at 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Gary Bonner Singers and Orchestra will be in concert at the Calimesa Seventh-day Adventist Church, Friday, December 16, 7 p.m., and Saturday, December 17 at 4 p.m. Reserved seating is available at iTickets.com or call (800)965-9324. Sadly, this is director Gary Bonner's last concert tour.

Miclen LaiPang, violinist, winner of numerous international competitions and whom The New York Times acclaims as "a force to be reckoned with," will be in concert at the Campus Hill Seventh-day Adventist Church, Saturday, January 7 at 7 p.m. Reserved seating tickets are available on iTickets.com or call (614)414-6899.



Vespers



Calendar Events

Monday, December 12 5:30-7:00 p.m.	Women's Prayer Group, call (909)361-6220, passcode 11125#
Tuesday, December 13 5:30-7:00 p.m. 6:30-8:00 p.m.	Experiencing God Bible Study, Zoom meeting, ID 985 953 81381 Experiencing God Bible Study, Zoom meeting, ID 531 952 429 or call (669)900-6833
Wednesday, December 14 6:00 p.m.	Open Prayer Circle, room 102
Thursday, December 15 12:00 noon	Sandwiches and Salvation Zoom meeting, ID: 502 918 535
Friday, December 16 7:30 p.m.	Night Church (Praxis), Young Adults, Family Ministries Bldg auditorium
Sabbath, December 17 9:00 & 11: 45 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:00 & 11:30 a.m. 3:00 p.m.	"Commoners Over Glitterati?," <i>The Gift</i> (part 3 of 4), Randy Roberts, Sanctuary Praxis Young Adult Sabbath School, Family Ministries Bldg lower level, room 0402 Anthem Modern Service, auditorium Ladies Christmas Tea, Fellowship Hall or online at lluc.org