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Questions to Reflect On:

1. What does it mean to be in covenant with God?
2. What are some things you would like to see emptied from your life; and what are things you would like to see added to your life?
3. What would it mean for you this year to put yourself fully into the hands of God?



Join us for the Worship/Discipleship Series in January

Becoming.....every moment you, and everybody else, are becoming something different than they were just a moment ago. This is God's design and this is just the facts of science and how the world works – you are different now than when you began reading this sentence. Of course, you are different in microscopic ways; what if we extrapolated this idea into larger ideas and expected that God was constantly changing us for the good in every single way. Imagine that God is helping us to become more whole and holy in a variety of ways: intellectually, physically, emotionally, mentally, and more. Join us for this Sermon Series and discover more about who you are Becoming.

Resource for digging deeper:

1. **The Order of Time** by Carlo Rovelli is a wonderful but challenging book that will certainly expand your mind about time and how we move through God's creation. Pick up a used copy for less than \$5 on Amazon.
2. **Becoming** by Michelle Obama is a wonderful, thoughtful, easy to read book detailing some of her story and thoughts about becoming something she never imagined, the First Lady. You can pick up a copy at Amazon for about \$10.

Make sure you pick up a January Prayer Calendar next time you are on campus or visit www.fumccv.org/prayer/

January Potluck - Sunday January 29th, 5-7 pm.

We will gather at 5:00 pm for food and fellowship and then from 6-7 pm receive testimony in word, photo and video from our Mexico Mission Team. We are eager to hear what God helped them BECOME through their work and service. All potluck contributions are welcome but a special thank you to any who prepare a Mexican food dish for this meal.

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Today's Worship Service

Prelude:	<i>March of the Kings</i>	Robert Thygerson
Opening Hymn:	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>	Hymn no.238
Middle Hymn:	<i>We Three Kings of Orient Are</i>	Hymn no.254
Special Music:	<i>Another Year is Dawning</i> Glenda McKibben	Frances R. Havergal
Offertory:	<i>Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus</i>	Cindy Berry
Closing Hymn:	<i>Hark the Herald Angels Sing</i>	Hymn no.240
Congregational Benediction:	<i>Go Forth for God</i>	Hymn no.670

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Brian T. Parcel

Assisting: Chris Christensen, Aries Ramirez **Liturgist:** Jason Matias, Lynda Reynolds

Worship Coordinator: Alan Hay **Acolyte:** Nolan Bumatay, Alex Malave

Communion Stewards: Pastor Brian/Jason Matias, Joshua Freeze/Lynda Reynolds, Eric Swanson/John Wimberly, Chris Christensen/Aries Ramirez

Assistant Music Director: Michiko Lohorn

Register your attendance here!

Scan the QR Code using your smartphone camera, click the link, and then fill out the form. You can update your information, share prayer requests, and more!



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Welcome to Our New Bishop, Dottie Escobedo-Frank



Bishop Escobedo-Frank was Ordained an Elder in the UMC in 2000 in the Desert Southwest Conference after pursuing a career in Social Work for a number of years. She has spent her entire pastoral career in the Desert Southwest Conference, serving six different churches and as a District Superintendent. In addition to her local church work, the Bishop has been very active in social justice and advocacy work focused on a variety of people groups who often find themselves on the margins of society. Bishop Escobedo-Frank has been assigned to serve our Conference and will begin a 5.5 year tenure on January 1, 2023. Please be in prayer for our new Bishop as she transitions to a new job, new location and new home.

Discipleship Pathway Course 3

The Discipleship Pathway at FUMCCV is an intentionally designed set of 7 courses that assists the “new or not yet” believer to find your way or the seasoned believer to stay on track. You can join the series of 7 at any point. The next course to be offered is Course 3, Introducing the Old Testament, by Rev. Anne Robertson.

This course will be led by Pastor Brian and will meet Jan. 11, 18, 25, Feb. 1, 8, 15. All meetings will take place in the Church Library and you can choose the 1:00 pm class or the 6:30 pm class. The only cost for this course is \$15 for the participant book. You can go online and pay direct for your own copy or you can wait and place an order on the first day of class.

Please call/email the church office and let us know to save you a seat for this course (619-656-2525 / info@fumccv.org).

Weekly South District Prayer

South District Superintendent, the Rev. Sandra Olewine, has invited us to pray for two churches/ministries in our district every week.

Join us in prayer this week for:

Laguna Woods: Laguna Country, *Pastor Doug Williams*
Laguna Woods: Laguna Hills Korean, *Pastor Hakoom Lim*

Volunteers Needed

We are undecorating for Advent on **Saturday January 7th at 9:00 am** and also decorating for the Festival of the Lord which is on January 8th.



Staff Christmas Gift

Join us this year in providing a gift for the church staff, who all work very hard preparing our campus & organizing our ministries. We will collect financial offerings that will be applied to an all staff post holiday party in which each staff person and a significant other will be treated to a nice dinner and good time of fellowship together.

This “post-Epiphany” party is always a highlight for the staff and is made possible only by your generous gifts. You can mark a check or envelope or online designation “staff gift” in order to ensure your gift reaches the right place. Thank you for your generosity!