

Food for Thought

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 4: 8-10

Questions to Reflect On:

1. Give some examples of how doubt has manifest in your life or others?
2. Looking back through your life, what gave you the strength to persevere through doubt?
3. Share about when you came closest to doubting God's faithfulness.



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.

January 15, 2023

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Today in the 9:30am Worship Service

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| Prelude: | <i>He Leadeth Me</i> | Lani Smith |
| Opening Hymn: | <i>Holy, Holy, Holy!</i> | Hymn no.64 |
| Middle Hymn: | <i>Spirit of the Living God</i> | Hymn no.393 |
| Special Music: | <i>Trading My Sorrows</i> Korrie Yamaoka | Darrell Evans |
| Hymn of Illumination: | <i>Sanctuary</i> | Hymn no.2164 |
| Offertory: | <i>Deep River</i> | Calvin Taylor |
| Closing Hymn: | <i>I Surrender All</i> Sanctuary Choir | Hymn no.354 |
| Congregational Benediction: | <i>Go Forth for God</i> | Hymn no.670 |

Preaching: Rev. Nicole Reilley

Assisting: Rev. Phyllis Ashe **Liturgist:** Joshua Freeze

Worship Coordinator: Alan Hay **Acolyte:** Reina Jones

Director Music Ministries: Korrie Yamaoka **Assistant Music Director:** Michiko Lohorn

Today in The Crossing Worship Service

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| <i>Relentless</i> | Hillsong |
| <i>Trading My Sorrows</i> | Darrell Evans |
| <i>Forever Reign</i> | Reuben Morgan |
| <i>Revelation Song</i> | Jennie Lee Riddle |
| <i>Send Me Out</i> | Fee |

Preaching: Rev. Nicole Reilley

Assisting: Rev. Mary Allman Boyle **Worship Coordinator:** David Balk

Music Team: Rob Lohorn, Bethany Gilbert, Steve Scott, Korrie Yamaoka

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!



Mexico Mission Team

This week 38 of our FUMCCV Faith Community will travel to Ensenada, Mexico to represent us and Christ as short term missionaries and build two houses for families that are without right now. These 38 represent:

- 9 Youth
- 8 College Students
- 11 people on their first Mexico Mission Trip
- 5 FUMCCV families (parents and kids on the team)
- 27 who are returning to this mission trip again this year, many of whom have been multiple times

Here are ways you can support our Mission Team

- 1. Pray** — for safe travel down on Thursday and home on Monday and for safe/productive work on Friday, Saturday, Sunday
- 2. Give** — Each house, to build and furnish, is about \$7,000. We have raised the majority of these funds but still have a little ways to go.
- 3. Send off** — Gather with the team on Thursday January 12th, 1:30 pm, in front of the Sanctuary for a send off prayer
- 4. Celebrate** — Join us on **Sunday January 29, 5 pm**. In the Fellowship Hall for a Potluck and celebration of the mission. Everyone is invited to bring something to share (special bonus points for bringing food with a Mexican/Latin flavor), and we will hear/see testimony in video, photo and spoken word.

Tifereth Israel Community Orchestra

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5 AT 4 PM



The Tifereth Israel Community Orchestra returns to our concert series for a wonderful afternoon of music. This orchestra, under the direction of Maestro David Amos, has been performing for 47 years including more than thirty appearances at FUMCCV. This performance will be full orchestra and will include:
Brahms: Variations on a Theme by Haydn
Bizet: Suite from the opera Carmen
Saint-Saens: Cello Concerto No. 3 in A Minor
Our Guest soloist: Sophie Weber (Distinguished cellist from England)

For more information, please visit their website at tiferethisrael.com/community/tico/theorchestra.

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:

Mission Hills, *Pastor Michelle Andrews, Pastor Jeanette Bragunier*
Mission Viejo: Shepherd of the Hills & Santa Margarita Campus,
Pastor Rick Uhls, Pastor Jon Waterson

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| <h3>January</h3> <h3>Service Opportunities</h3> | <h4>Mission of the Month</h4> <p>Jan. 22nd: Drop off fresh fruits & veggies or a \$20 Ralphs card in the office for the Normal Heights community fridge as part of our mission of the month drive! (9a-12p @ mission corners)</p> |
| <h4>MISSION OF THE MONTH</h4>  <p>FRESH FOOD DRIVE</p> | <h4>Saint Paul's UMC - Food Bank Volunteers</h4> <p>Help out Saint Paul UMC while the Nestor Good Neighbor Center is going through construction!</p> <p>Volunteers are needed on the 1st & 4th Thursday of the month from 12pm to 3pm.</p> <p>For more info, E-mail Aries aries.ramirez@fumccv.org</p> |

Rev. Nicole Reilley, FUMCCV Preacher in Residence



In staffing conversations last year the Pastor Parish Relations Committee discussed the idea of bringing an Associate Pastor on staff in order to spread the work of the Pastor amongst two offices. Ultimately, finances prevented us from doing this but we still took some steps to ease the pastoral load for Pastor Brian.

We welcome The Rev. Nicole Reilley into a one year position we are calling Preacher in Residence. In this position, as an Elder in the UMC, Rev. Nicole will be preaching and presiding in worship seven times in this appointment year. Rev. Nicole will be working with Pastor Brian to present different ideas and perspectives into each sermon series ... it is sort of like the Gospels, because there are four of them we can have a broader sense of God and faith. With two Elders sharing the preaching this gives our church more perspectives and the possibility of broader understandings and deeper faith. Rev. Reilley comes with a wealth of experience having served local churches and at the conference level for the past 30 years, most recently as Pastor of Valencia UMC, a church that is very much like FUMCCV in terms of size, staffing and ministry focus. Rev. Reilley stepped out of parish ministry this past June in order to focus full time on coaching and consulting around clergy wellness, congregational vitality and spiritual growth. Rev. Reilley and Pastor Brian have been close friends and trusted colleagues for the past 20 years and we are excited for this unique opportunity to grow with and learn from Rev. Reilley.