



CENTERING MOMENT

Lay Down your burdens. Forget your fears. Christ has invited you here. Live in the hope and peace of God

PRELUDE

“Lamb of God”

Robert Johnson Jr.

Twila Paris, Michael Bethany, Kevin Turner

OPENING SONG

“O Day of Peace that Dimly Shines”

Hymn #729

GREETING

Theodore King
Liturgist

CALL TO WORSHIP & ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Communion Stewards

Advent reminds us that we are people who share a story, the story of Jesus, who enacts peace by judging in favor of the poor and deciding with equity for the meek of the earth. We long for the day when “the wolf shall live with the lamb, the calf and the lion will feed together, and a little child shall lead them” (Isaiah 11:6).

*Michael Peters
Ethel Edison*

Today, we choose to live the story of peace, believing that true peace comes when we seek the flourishing of all God’s creation.

We light this candle of peace as a sign of our commitment to bring Light to the places the world seeks to hide until that day when all creation lives together in harmony and abundance.

(Light the second candle of the Advent wreath.)

OPENING PRAYER

God of hope and peace, as we worship you this day, may we catch a glimpse of your peace; may we open ourselves to receive your grace; may we welcome one another, as you have welcomed us; may we prepare hearts and our lives, for Christ to be born in us once again. And when our worship is done, may we be prepared to bring your righteousness and justice to the world. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

OPENING HYMN	<i>"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"</i>	Hymnal #196
PASSING OF THE PEACE	<i>"Let There Be Peace on Earth"</i>	Hymn #431
	<i>Greet one another with signs of God's peace and love! Be sure to ask your neighbor if it's okay to hug them!</i>	
SPECIAL OBSERVANCE	<i>"Litany for World AIDS Day"</i>	Jennifer Hill-Hightower
SCRIPTURE	Isaiah 11:1-10 <i>Common English Bible (CEB)</i>	Theodore King
SONG OF PREPARATION	<i>"Hark! The Glad Sound"</i> <i>Jan Sanborn</i>	Holman Choir
MESSAGE	"Let There Be Peace"	Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin <i>Lead Pastor</i>
INVITATIONAL HYMN	<i>"Come, Emmanuel"</i> <i>Don Besig</i>	Holman Choir
PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE		Rev. Dr. Jennifer Oliver <i>Associate Pastor</i>
HOLY COMMUNION**	<i>A Service of Word and Table II</i>	Hymnal #12
THANKSGIVING FOR TITHES & OFFERING	<i>"You Can't Beat God Giving"</i> <i>Doris Akers</i>	Holman Choir
DOXOLOGY	<i>"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"</i>	Hymnal #95
BENEDICTION	<i>"Pax Dei (Peace of God)"</i> <i>C. Whitney Combs</i>	Holman Choir
POSTLUDE	<i>"O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines"</i> <i>C. P. Daw, C. H. Parry, C. H. Webb</i>	Robert Johnson Jr.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Rev. Victor Cyrus-Franklin, *Lead Pastor*; Rev. Dr. Jennifer Oliver, *Assistant Pastor*; Rev. Louis Chase, *Minister of Community Outreach*; Theodore King, *Liturgist*; Holman Choir, William Campbell Jr., *Director*; Robert Johnson, Jr., *Organist*; Ricardo Mowatt; *Drummer*; David R. Sears, *Production Mixer*; Mark Conway, *Video Director*; Keith McGruder, *House Mixer*; Fitzroy Younge, *House Mixer*; Jules Green, *Post-Production*; Mychael Carter, *Audio Tech/Mixer*

****Bring an unwrapped gift from the Advent Bazaar to the altar for Gift Sunday!**

HOLMAN *Announcements*

WAYS TO GIVE

● **Mail:** Send to *Holman UMC*,
3320 W. Adams Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90018

● **Altar Flowers & Radio Sponsorship:**
Access the broadcast sponsorship form at
www.holmanumc.com/forms.

● **Online:** Go to the church website
@ www.holmanumc.com/give

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Visit holmanumc.com/forms and
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***Please stand as you are able.**

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ALTAR FLOWERS & RADIO BROADCAST SPONSORSHIP

Today's altar flowers are given by **Meredith Barrett** in celebration of her birthday today!

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by **Dr. Bettye Walker**, as a special tribute to the A-MAN, Inc. STEM Center celebrating 33 Years and honoring the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics first generation achievers who started with our Center in Los Angeles County, and who are now STEM Achievers leading the 2nd generation of Achievers throughout the US and the world! We also welcome our 75 students, parents and our partners, the National Association of Black Engineers! "Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with each one of us!" My Theme for our Youth Peace Global Grant 2020-2023



You can sponsor our radio broadcast live on Radio Free KJLH, 102.3 FM, or adorn the sanctuary with an arrangement of altar flowers. Visit **holmanumc.com/forms** or call the church office. You can also sign up for these and other opportunities online at **holman.churchcenter.com/registrations**



AFTER WORSHIP

- After worship, join us for the **Fellowship Hour** in the L. L. White Hall, immediately following the worship service, sponsored by the Hospitality Committee.
- The **Advent Book Study** is here! Groups gather Sundays at 9:30am in the Library or Monday evenings at 7 pm in Zoom. Register in White Hall, online, or with the **QR code!**
- Join us for the **Advent Bazaar** until 1:30pm in the L.L. White Hall and the **A-Men STEM Center & National Society of Black Engineers** on campus from 1pm to 4 pm.



NEXT SUNDAY: December 14th, 2025

- **Join Sunday Worship** next week as we continue our Advent sermon series, "**Signs of the Times!**" The **Holman Choir** will lead us in music.
- Join us as the **Holman Choir** presents Handel's Messiah at 3 pm in the Sanctuary. Donations are welcome to support the ongoing ministry of the Holman Choir.

<https://holman.churchcenter.com/giving/to/holman-choir>

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

BEREAVEMENT | The homegoing service for **Allen Bridges** is Monday, December 15th at 11:00 am at Holman UMC. **Tonya Vernon**, daughter of Holman member Lydia Blandford recently passed away. Her homegoing service is Tuesday, December 16th at 10 am at the Lighthouse Funeral Home in Gardena, CA. The homegoing service for **Jean Smith** will be Tuesday, December 16th at 2pm at the Inglewood Park Cemetery, with the repast at L.L. White Fellowship Hall. The Celebration of Life for **Wynona Hall**, the mother of Holman member Apryl Hall will be Saturday, January 24th at 11:00 am. **Let us continue to hold our bereaved families in prayer.**

PRAYER LIST | Those affected by the government shutdown, recent wildfires, victims of domestic violence, and Hurricane Melissa, Gweneth Alexander, Mary Baker, Meredith Barrett, Audrae Broadnaux, Maritza Brown, Juanita Cannon, Vera Cincore (and daughter Dr. Verdellia Cincore), Toni Edwards, Deidra Gray and her family, Apryl Hall, Dr. Quinton James, Larry Johnson, John T. Jones, Joyce Lewis, Kamille Linton, Cynthia Marroquin-Henley, Clinton Martin, Brenda Martin, Ovis Massey, Otis T. McKinney, The McQueen Family, Eretha Minor, Carolyn Moultrie, Freddie Muse, Jr., Irving Norwood, Sr., Jason Rabb, Jo C. Reed, Gloria Smith, Ruth A. Smith (with sister Izola Shaw), Phyllis Stephenson, Larry Turner, and Staci Williams.



This Week @ HOLMAN

www.holmanumc.com/calendar

SUNDAY, DEC 7

Holman Choir Rehearsal

9:00am–10:30am | Every Sunday
Holman UMC Music Room #111

Book Talk: Book Talk: Zoom

9:15am–10:15am | Every Sunday
Online

Adult Sunday School: Zoom + Phone

9:30am–10:30am | Every Sunday
Online

Advent Bazaar

9:45am–1:30pm | Closed during worship services
Holman United Methodist Church

Sunday Worship :: 11:00 am

11am–12:15pm | Every Sunday
Holman United Methodist Church

Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal

12:30pm–1:30pm | Every Sunday
Holman United Methodist Church

A-MAN STEM Center & National Society of Black Engineers

1pm–4pm | The 1st & 3rd Sunday of every month

WEDNESDAY, DEC 10

Prayer Shawl Ministry

12pm–2pm | The 2nd & 4th Wednesday of every month
Holman United Methodist Church

THURSDAY, DEC 11

StoreHouse Ministry Food Distribution Day

10am–1pm | Every other Thursday
Holman United Methodist Church

FRIDAY, DEC 12

Friday Morning Prayer Group: Prayer & Communion Service (Phone)

7:30am–8:30am | Every Friday

SATURDAY, DEC 13

United Methodist Men: Monthly Meeting

9am–10am | The 2nd Saturday of every month
Online

Children Youth Family Collaborative (CYFC) Holiday Festival

9am–4pm
Holman United Methodist Church

United Women in Faith: Christmas Luncheon

11am–3pm
Proud Bird

USC Choral Winter Concert

7pm–8:30pm
Holman United Methodist Church

Mark Your Calendars!

SUNDAY, DEC 14

Mini Vendors Fair

12:30pm–2pm
Holman United Methodist Church

Handel's Messiah (feat. The Holman Choir)

3pm–5pm
Holman United Methodist Church

WEDNESDAY, DEC 17

Mutual Ministry - Telephone Care Team: Monthly Check-In

9:30am–10am | The 3rd Wednesday of every month
Online

SUNDAY, DEC 21

Children's Ministry Christmas Program

9:45am–10:45am

WEDNESDAY, DEC 24

Christmas Eve Service

5pm–6:30pm
Holman United Methodist Church