OUR RECONCILING STATEMENT

(Approved February 17, 2019)

Inspiring the world as passionate followers of Jesus Christ so all can experience God's life-giving love.

Echo Park United Methodist Church is a faith community seeking to live in joyous response to the love of God in Christ.

We are people of Christ's new creation called to be ministers of reconciliation.

We are not always of the same mind, but we seek to be of the same Spirit, reaching out in unconditional love to let others know that there is a place of reconciliation: "There is a Balm in Gilead."

We share the Gospel and Spirit of Jesus Christ and open our community to all, especially to those who are hurt or have been left out because of racial differences, ethnic origin, gender identity, legal or immigration status, language, sexual orientation, disability, all who have suffered abuse or abandonment by society, or even by the church.



We invite you to make ECHO PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH your spiritual home as together we celebrate being a reconciling and inclusive ministry. We strive to love as Jesus loved, welcoming all people and excluding no one. It takes open hearts, open minds and open doors to make a place of real equality, respect, justice and peace. It takes people loving people to make God's reign a reality.

ECHO PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A Reconciling Congregation

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Pastor: Rev. Frank Wulf + Music Director: Mina Rhee

TRINITY SUNDAY

June 12, 2022 + 10:00 a.m.



Welcome to Echo Park United Methodist Church A Reconciling Congregation



We are a church of open hearts, open minds, and open doors. We welcome you to worship here just as you are!

GATHERING

PRELUDE: "Straf mich nicht in deinem Zorn" Music: J. A. Streicher

– Mina Rhee

OPENING READING:

- Liturgist

Wisdom Shouts in the Streets Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 (MSG)

Do you hear Lady Wisdom calling? Can you hear Madame Insight raising her voice? She's taken her stand at First and Main, at the busiest intersection. Right in the city square where the traffic is thickest, she shouts, "You—I'm talking to all of you, everyone out here on the streets!

"GOD sovereignly made me—the first, the basic—before he did anything else. I was brought into being a long time ago, well before Earth got its start. I arrived on the scene before Ocean, yes, even before Springs and Rivers and Lakes. Before Mountains were sculpted and Hills took shape, I was already there, newborn; long before GOD stretched out Earth's Horizons, and tended to the minute details of Soil and Weather, and set Sky firmly in place, I was there. When he mapped and gave borders to wild Ocean, built the vast vault of Heaven, and installed the fountains that fed Ocean, when he drew a boundary for Sea, posted a sign that said NO TRESPASSING, and then staked out Earth's Foundations, I was right there with him, making sure everything fit. Day after day I was there, with my joyful applause, always enjoying his company, delighted with the world of things and creatures, happily celebrating the human family."

*HYMN OF PRAISE:

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

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Words: Reginald Huber; Music: John B. Dykes (United Methodist Hymnal 64)

* Please stand in body or spirit as you are able or prefer.

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Read responsively

by Jamie D. Greening (The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022)

Liturgist:

To you, O people, wisdom calls.

The Community:

She calls out to each of us: beckoning us to experience peace in Christ, harkening us to discover the truth of life; imploring us to know true love, as it is poured into our heart.

Liturgist:

Wisdom calls.

The Community:

Let us answer her call, as we celebrate faith in the one who leads us into life.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- Prayed in unison

by Jamie D. Greening, alt. (Abingdon Worship Annual 2022)

The Community:

God of infinite mercy, be with us in our need.

When we neglect the wisdom of knowing our place in this world, forgive us. When we trade your peace and calls for unity for conflict and violence, heal us. When we forsake good character to join those who scoff at your ways, restore us. When we ignore your truth, and turn our back on your wisdom, ennoble and enlighten us.

Forgive us and renew us, God, that we may abide in your truth and live in your love forever. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

- Prayed responsively

by Jamie D. Greening, alt. (Abingdon Worship Annual 2022)

Liturgist:

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, God fills our souls with grace and wisdom. It is from this grace that we have hope. It is from this wisdom that we know God's love. It is from the living God that we find life and forgiveness.

Through the love and grace of God made known in Jesus Christ through the power and wisdom of the Holy Spirit, we are forgiven.

The Community:

We are forgiven indeed!

ALL:

THANKS BE TO GOD!

WELCOME:

- Marcelina Souffle

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE:

- Franie Maddela

Following the children's message, the children are invited to go with their teachers to Sunday school.

HOW GREAT THOU ART

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HYMN OF DEDICATION HOW GREAT THOU ART

MUSIC: Stuart K. Hine



*HYMN OF PREPARATION:

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"Maker, in Whom We Live" Words: Charles Wesley + Music: George J. Elvey (United Methodist Hymnal 88)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

- Pastor Frank Wulf

Call to Prayer

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Our Communal Prayer

The Prayer that Jesus Taught

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SCRIPTURE READING:

- Read in Spanish

Hope Does Not Disappoint Romans 5:1-5 (NRSVUE)

Listen for the Word of God in the book of Romans, chapter 5, verses 1 to 5.

¹Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

CHORAL ANTHEM: "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" – Chancel Choir Words: John Newton; Music: Croatian folk song; Arr.: Franz Josef Haydn

SCRIPTURE READING:

- Read in English

The Spirit of Truth John 16:12-15 (NRSVUE)

Listen for the Word of God in the gospel of John, chapter 16, verses 12 to 15.

12"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

- Prayed in unison

Based on Psalm 91:5 (NRSV)

May the words of our mouths and the meditations of all of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O God, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

SERMON

Life in the Spirit: Hoping in the Truth

- Pastor Frank Wulf

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

Invitation to the Offering

- Liturgist

Offertory

- Sherman McClellan, soloist + Mina Rhee, organist

"Create in me a clean heart, O God" Words & Music: Carl F. Mueller

*Doxology

United Methodist Hymnal 94

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Words: Thomas Ken + Music: Geistliche Kirchengesänge

*Stewardship Prayer

- Prayed in unison

May your Word shape our lives, form our thoughts, and guide our steps, O God, so that we may live in this world as your faithful followers and love this world as those who have been transformed by your love. Amen.

THANKSGIVING

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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*HYMN OF DEDICATION:

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"How Great Thou Art" Words + Music: Stuart K. Hine (United Methodist Hymnal 77)

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION

- Prayed responsively

by Jamie D. Greening, alt. (Abingdon Worship Annual 2022)

Pastor:

Through grace and peace, we have the wisdom we need to be transformed. For sufferings lead to endurance, endurance gives rise to character, and character produces hope. With true hope founded in God, we are never disappointed.

The Community

Alleluia and amen.

*POSTLUDE

"Postlude" Music: C. Engel

- Mina Rhee

ENTER TO WORSHIP



DEPART TO SERVE

HYMN OF PREPARATION MAKER, IN WHOM WE LIVE **WORDS: Charles Wesley DIADEMATA** MUSIC: George I. Elvev 1. Mak-er, in whom we live, whom we are and move, the

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glo - ry, power, and praise re - ceive for thy cre - at - ing der in thanks their lives to thee for thy re-deem-ing grace. sa - cred en - er - gy, and bless thine heart-re - new-ing power. on earth be - low re - cord and dwell up - on thy love.



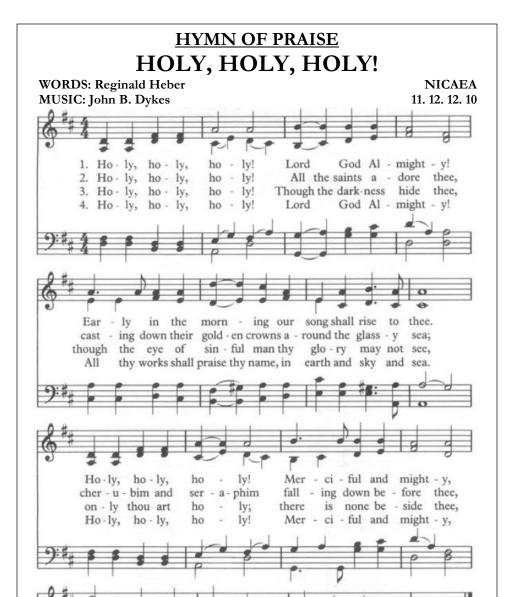
all the an-gel throng give thanks to God on high, while The grace to sin-ners showed ye heaven-ly choirs pro-claim, and an-gel tongues can tell thy love's ec - stat - ic height, the When heaven and earth are fled be - fore thy glo-rious face, sing



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the saints thy love hath made thine ev - er -last-ing praise.

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BIBLE VERSE FOR COMFORT AND INSPIRATION

THE WEEK OF JUNE 12 TO 18

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth. (John 16:13-NRSVUE)

THE PRAYER THAT JESUS TAUGHT US

(Each is invited to pray in their own heart language)

English: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Español: Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre. Venga tu reino. Hágase tu voluntad, como en el cielo, así también en la tierra. El pan nuestro de cada día, dánoslo hoy. Y perdónanos nuestras deudas, como también nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores. Y no nos dejes caer en tentación, mas líbranos del mal; porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la gloria, por todos los siglos. Amén.

<u>Tagalog</u>: Ama namin, sumasalangit Ka, sambahin ang ngalan Mo. Mapasaamin ang kaharian Mo. Sundin ang loob Mo dito sa lupa, para nang sa langit. Bigyan Mo kami ngayon ng aming kakanin sa araw-araw. At patawarin Mo ang aming mga sala, para ng pagpapatawad naming sa mga nagkakasala sa amin. At huwag Mokaming ipahintulot sa tukso, at iadya Mo kami sa lahat ng masama. Sapagkat Iyo ang kaharian, at kapangyarihan, at ang kadakilaan, magpakailanman. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 5 TO 11

- Thank you to all who helped out with today's service of worship:
 Greeter: Marcelina Souffle + Liturgist: Lisa Palombi; Readers: Sulma
 Zepeda Rosales + Jennifer Ceniceros + Message for Young People:
 Franie Maddela + Musicians: Mina Rhee (Music Director), Ember
 Knight (Technical Support), Sherman McClellan (Offertory), Chancel
 Choir (Anthem) + Technical Support: John Chavis, Danny Bernabe,
 Walter Elmer
- 2. Today's worship service is being broadcast and will be available on the church's Facebook page. Please invite your family and friends to view it there: https://www.facebook.com/EchoParkUnitedMethodistChurch
- 3. Christian education programming:
 - Thank you to Pastor David Farley and Franie Maddela for planning and guiding this morning's Sunday School program.

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- We are looking for volunteers to be part of a Sunday school team. If you would like to help Sunday school happen at Echo Park United Methodist Church, please contact Pastor David Farley at grandpastordavid@gmail.com.
- Suggested activities for children and families for the coming week have been posted on the church website.
- The Bible and Theology Group for adults will meet by Zoom this Thursday, June 16, at 7:00 p.m. Please read chapters 3 and 4 of *The God Who Sees: Immigrants, the Bible, and the Journey to Belong* by Karen Gonzalez, which is available in electronic and print format through cokesbury.com, amazon.com, and your local bookstore. A hard copy is also available for loan in the church office. Use the following link to join the group online: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7184544317. You may also join by phone by calling 1-669-900-9128 and using meeting ID: 718 454 4317 #
- 4. On the first Sunday of July, we will be honoring our graduates. Please get the following information to the church office as soon as possible:

 1) The names of those who are graduating; 2) the full names and locations of the schools from which they are graduating; 3) the educational levels they have achieved; and 4) any degrees or special honors they will be receiving.
- 5. Thank you to all who took part in yesterday's Lotería fundraiser for the Echo Park Immigration Center.
- 6. The 38th annual session of the California-Pacific Conference began on Tuesday, June 7, and will continue this coming Wednesday (June 15), Friday (June 17), and Saturday (June 18). Echo Park United Methodist Church is being represented at the conference by Emily Schoales, John Chavis (alternate), and Rev. Frank Wulf. The theme for this year's conference is "Ending Spiritual & Physical Hunger." All sessions will be livestreamed through the Annual Conference website: nww.calpacumc.org. Please keep Bishop Hagiya and conference members in your prayers. Echo Park UMC has been asked to provide 35 unused toothbrushes and tubes of toothpaste for hygiene kits that will be assembled during the conference. A basket to collect these items is located at the back of the Sanctuary. Alternatively, you can bring them to the church on or before Wednesday, June 15.
- 7. The Finance and Property Committee will meet via Zoom at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday evening, June 21. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7184544317 or call 1-669-900-9128 and use meeting ID 718 454 4317 #.

- 8. The Board of Trustees will meet in person in the Basement Hall or via Zoom following worship on Sunday, June 26. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7184544317 or call 1-669-900-9128 and use meeting ID 718 454 4317 #.
- 9. Next Sunday is Father's Day. On that day, we will be honoring all of our fathers and fathering figures with gifts.
- 10. Happy birthday to: Ayden Neyber Rosales (June 12), Joshua Alexander (June 13), Daniel Jones (June 18).

DONATING TO ECHO PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

You may make donations to Echo Park United Methodist Church in a number of ways. If you feel called and inspired to contribute financially to the church or one or more of its ministries, please do so in a way that feels appropriate and comfortable to you.

By cash offering: Please put your donation into an envelope. Write your name and contact information on the outside of the envelope along with any instructions about how you want your contribution used. Place the envelope into one of the offering plates at the back of the Sanctuary or deliver it in person to the church office.

By check: Please make your check payable to "Echo Park United Methodist Church." Make sure your personal contact information on the check is correct and write the purpose of your donation onto the check's memo line. You may place your check into one of the offering plates at the back of the Sanctuary or mail it to the church office: Echo Park United Methodist Church, 1226 N. Alvarado Street, Los Angeles, CA 90026.

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