

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

Resident Bishop: Rev. Dr. Grant Hagiya

District Superintendent: Rev. Mark Nakagawa

EIGHTH SUNDAY

AFTER PENTECOST

July 31, 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!

WE GATHER

PRELUDE: "Wer weiss, wie nahe" (Who knoweth how near) – Mina Rhee
Music: Johann Andreas Streicher

OPENING READING: The false god of money – Liturgist
From a sermon by Martin Luther King, Jr. (1953)

Money in its proper place is a worthwhile and necessary instrument for a well-rounded life, but when it is projected to the status of a god it becomes a power that corrupts and an instrument of exploitation. When [people] arrive at the point of making money a god they become more concerned with what they can get out of society than with what they can give to society in terms of service...When [people] bow down and worship at the shrine of money they are being deprived of their most precious endowment—the possibility of living life in its fullness and its endless beauty.

***HYMN OF PRAISE:** "Come! Come! Everybody Worship" – Page 8
Words & Music: Natalie Sleeth
The Faith We Sing 2271 (Verses 1, 2, 5)

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** – Read responsively
by B. J. Beu (*Abingdon Worship Annual* 2022)

Liturgist:

Sing praises to our God!

The Community:

God's love is sure. Christ's love never ends.

Liturgist:

Shout for joy, all the earth!

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

The Community:

God's grace satisfies the thirsty. The Spirit fills the hungry with good things.

Liturgist

Proclaim the glory of our Sovereign God!

The Community:

God's salvation is sure. God's faithfulness never ends.

OPENING PRAYER

– Prayed in unison

by B. J. Beu (*Abingdon Worship Annual 2022*)

The Community:

Eternal God, as people raised with Christ, teach us to seek the things that are above, where Christ abides in glory. Even as our true lives remain hidden in you with Christ, grant us a glimpse of our true selves, made pure and whole in your love. Renew your Spirit within us, and make us fit to bear the glory of your image. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

– Prayed responsively

by B. J. Beu (*Abingdon Worship Annual 2022*)

Liturgist:

We, who have been raised with Christ, are heirs of his glory.

The Community:

When we store up treasures in heaven, we are rich in God's blessings and sealed in the embrace of God's love.

WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

– Marcelina Souffle

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE:

– Pastor David Farley

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

*HYMN OF PREPARATION:

“Come, Thou Fount”

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Words: Robert Robinson; Music: *Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second*
United Methodist Hymnal 400

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:

I am God and no mortal

– Read in Spanish

Hosea 11:1-4, 8-9 (NRSVUE)

Listen for the Word of God in the book of Hosea, chapter 11, verses 1 to 4 and 8 to 9.

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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.

Tagalog: 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.

¹When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. ²The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals and offering incense to idols.

³Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk; I took them up in my arms, but they did not know that I healed them. ⁴I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them.

⁸How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. ⁹I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim, for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath.

This is the Word of God for the People of God. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

CHORAL ANTHEM: "The Church's One Foundation" – Chancel Choir
Words: Samuel J. Stone; Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley

SCRIPTURE READING: The Parable of the Rich Man – Read in English
Luke 12:13-21 (NRSVUE)

Listen for the Word of God in the gospel of Luke, chapter 12, verses 13 to 21.

¹³Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' ¹⁸Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

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 (NRSVUE)

The Community:

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 True riches – Pastor Frank Wulf

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

Invitation to the Offering

– Liturgist

Offertory

– Marcelina Souffle, soloist + Mina Rhee, organist

Prayer of Saint Francis

Words: Francis of Assisi; Music: Allen Pote

English translation: traditional

*Doxology

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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Words: Thomas Ken + Music: *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*

United Methodist Hymnal 94

*Stewardship Prayer

by B. J. Beu (*Abingdon Worship Annual* 2022)

– Prayed in unison

The Community:

We sing your praises, O God, for your love is sure and true, your faithfulness is never ending. You satisfy the thirsty and fill the hungry with good things. Receive the offerings we bring before you this day, that these gifts may continue your work of tending the needy, providing hope for the downtrodden, and blessing those who live in want. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

THANKSGIVING

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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*HYMN OF DEDICATION:

“Jesus Is All the World to Me”

Words & Music: Will J. Thompson

United Methodist Hymnal 469

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SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION

– Prayed responsively
by B. J. Beu (*Abingdon Worship Annual* 2022)

Pastor:

Go forth as people who have been raised with Christ to newness of life.

The Community:

We go as Christ's disciples.

Pastor:

Go forth as people whose lives are hidden with Christ in the living God.

The Community:

We go to bear the mystery of life with Christ.

Pastor:

Go forth as people who will be revealed in glory when Christ's glory is revealed.

The Community:

We go to store up treasure in heaven, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

*POSTLUDE

“Rigaudon”

– Mina Rhee

Music: Andre Campra

HYMN OF DEDICATION

JESUS IS ALL THE WORLD TO ME

WORDS: Will L. Thompson, 1904

ELIZABETH

MUSIC: Will L. Thompson, 1904

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1. Je - sus is all the world to me, my life, my joy, my all;
2. Je - sus is all the world to me, my friend in tri - als sore;
3. Je - sus is all the world to me, and true to him I'll be;
4. Je - sus is all the world to me, I want no bet - ter friend;

he is my strength from day to day, with -
I go to him for bless - ings, and he
O how could I this friend de - ny, when
I trust him now, I'll trust him when life's

out him I would fall. When I am sad, to
gives them o'er and o'er. He sends the sun - shine
he's so true to me? Fol - low - ing him I
fleet - ing days shall end. Beau - ti - ful life with

him I go, no oth - er one can cheer me so;
and the rain, he sends the har - vest's gold - en grain;
know I'm right, he watch - es o'er me day and night;
such a friend, beau - ti - ful life that has no end;

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ENTER TO WORSHIP



DEPART TO SERVE

DOXOLOGY

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapt. by Gilbert H. Vieira, 1978

MUSIC: *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, 1623; harm. by Ralph Vaughn Williams, 1906

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Unison

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise

Harmony

God, all creatures here below: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-

Unison

lu-ia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise

Harmony

Je-sus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Unison

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

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BIBLE VERSE FOR COMFORT AND INSPIRATION

THE WEEK OF JULY 31 - AUGUST 6

Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed,
for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.

(Luke 12:15 - NRSVUE)

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 31 TO AUGUST 6

1. Thank you to all who helped out with today's service of worship:
Greeter: Marcelina Souffle + **Liturgist & Reader:** John Chavis + **Message for Young People:** Pastor David Farley + **Musicians:** Mina Rhee (Music Director), Ember Knight (Technical Support), Marcelina Souffle (Offertory), Chancel Choir (Anthem) + **Technical Support:** John Chavis, Josefina Amado, 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 for planning this morning's children's program.
 - We are looking for volunteers to be part of a Sunday school team. If you would like to help Sunday school happen at the church, please contact Pastor 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 Study Group for adults will meet by Zoom this coming Thursday, August 4, at 7:00 p.m. Please read chapter 11 of *The God Who Sees: Immigrants, the Bible, and the Journey to Belong* by Karen Gonzalez.
4. The Administrative Council meeting scheduled for this afternoon has been postponed. A new date will be published soon.
5. **HOMECOMING SUNDAY:** Because of the recent COVID surge in Los Angeles County, our homecoming celebration, previously scheduled for August 14, is being re-scheduled for Sunday, September 11. On that date, worship will be followed by a time of fellowship in the basement dining room. Save the Date, and invite your family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors!
6. **EPIC (Echo Park Immigration Center)**
 - a. The EPIC Board will meet by Zoom at 7:00 p.m. on August 9. For more information, contact Josh López-Reyes at mjlopez.reyes@gmail.com.

- b. EPIC has scheduled a Back-to-School Fair for Saturday, August 13, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. For more information or to RSVP by August 9, please contact Daisy Cuellar at 323-333-2416.
- c. Raíces Gala – A fundraiser event for EPIC celebrating its historical roots (raíces) and honoring its elders. The event will be held at the historic Pico House in Plaza Olvera from 3:00-6:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 20. Save the date and watch for more information.

- 7. **Laundry Love:** Coupons good for six free loads of washing and drying during August at Luxe Laundry in Echo Park will be available later this week in the church office for those who need them.
- 8. Unless otherwise indicated, all Zoom meetings for the church are accessed online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7184544317>. Meetings can also be accessed by phone by calling 1-669-900-9128 and, when prompted, entering the Meeting ID: 718 454 4317 #.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Olga Barragan (August 1); Pablo Rodriguez (August 5)

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

LaDell Stapp – Surgery for skin cancer and dementia + **Lani Stapp** – Parkinson's disease + **Betsy McClellan Hall** – Recovery from cancer surgery + **Susan Perez** – Recurrence of cancer + **Lois Price** – Recovery from a stroke + **David Farley** – Upcoming surgery + **Emily Schoales** – Undergoing diagnosis + **Marcy Souffle** – Undergoing diagnosis + **Cecilia Rodriguez** – Undergoing diagnosis + **Sherman McClellan** – Traveling mercies + **Caroline, Kent & Olivia Young** – Traveling mercies + **Franie Maddela** – Traveling mercies + **Christiana Wise** – Traveling mercies

Please send notes and cards to those suffering from illnesses at the addresses listed in the church directory or provided by the church office.

Please note that Lois Price has now been discharged to her home in Oceanside, CA.

To add a name to this prayer list, please contact Pastor Frank.

HYMN OF DEDICATION

COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

WORDS: Robert Robinson, 1758 (1 Sam. 7:12)

NETTLETON

MUSIC: Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second*, 1813

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1. Come, thou Fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my heart to
 2. Here I raise mine Eb - e - ne - zer; hith - er by thy
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con -

sing thy grace; streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,
 help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good plea - sure,
 strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a fet - ter,

call for songs of loud - est praise. Teach me some me - lo - dious
 safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a
 bind my wan - dering heart to thee. Prone to wan - der, Lord, I

son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! I'm
 stran - ger, wan - dering from the fold of God; he, to res - cue
 feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O

fixed up - on it, mount of thy re - deem - ing love.
 me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

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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.

Online using PayPal: Access the church’s donation page by going online to: <https://echoparkumc.org/donate-here/> or using the QR code found below on page 8:



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In whatever manner you choose to give, thank you for your offering to support the mission and ministry of Echo Park United Methodist Church and the wider United Methodist Church. Echo Park United Methodist Church is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Donations are tax deductible.

HYMN OF PRAISE

COME! COME! EVERYBODY WORSHIP!

WORDS: Natalie Sleeth; Spanish trans, by Mary Lou Santillán-Baert

NATALIE

MUSIC: Natalie Sleeth

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Refrain



Come! Come! Ev-ery-bod-y wor-ship with a prayer or song of praise!
¡Ven - gan to-dos a-do-re - mos con can - tos y o - ra - ción!

Fine



Come! Come! Ev-ery-bod-y wor-ship! Wor-ship God al - ways!
¡Ven - gan to-dos a-do-re - mos a nues - tro Se - ñor!



1. Wor-ship and re - mem - ber to keep the Sab - bath day.
2. Wor-ship and re - mem - ber the Lord's un - end - ing care,
3. Wor-ship and re - mem - ber your bless - ings great and small.
4. Wor-ship and re - mem - ber how Je - sus long a - go
5. Wor-ship and re - mem - ber that God is like a light,

D.C.



Take a rest and think of God; put your work a - way!
reach - ing out to love and help peo - ple ev - ery - where!
Give to God an of - fer - ing; show your thanks for all!
taught us how to talk to God; some - thing we should know!
show - ing you the way to go; ev - er burn - ing bright!

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