

EASTER HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH | JANUARY 21, 2024
REV. DR. DALE M. WEATHERSPOON, PASTOR
OUR MISSION IS TO KNOW CHRIST AND TO MAKE CHRIST KNOWN

*Come, follow me. . .
and I will make you
fishers of men.*



Mark 1:17

Worship Celebration | 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany | Year B

January 14, 2024 | 10:00 a.m.

The star (★) indicates where we are to stand.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Ms. Leah McIntosh

Come Let Us Gather (Psalm 62:5–12)

Come let us gather to proclaim the glory of the Reign of God. Come let us stop evil acts against our sisters and brothers!

O let us rejoice in the deliverance of our mothers and fathers!

Let our souls explode with the majestic power of the Lord!

As God speaks, let us hear, receive, and obey!

(Carolyn W. Dandridge, Third Sunday after the Epiphany, Year B)

[Ushers may seat the worshipers]

★ HYMN OF WORSHIP

p. 412, AAHH

“We Come This Far By Faith”

★ WORSHIP IN PRAISE

p. 478, AAHH

“What A Mighty God We Serve

Verses 1-3

[Ushers may seat the worshipers, please remain seated]

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Dale

Prayer requests via online @ www.easterhill.org/prayer

PRAYER HYMN

p. 102, Songs of Zion

“Oh, Freedom”

[Ushers may seat the worshipers]

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Ms. Leah McIntosh

Lay Servant: It's offering time!

Church: Praise the Lord!

How to make your offering via the “Giving link @ www.easterhill.org/giving”

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Ms. Leah McIntosh

MUSICAL OFFERING

p. 114, Songs of Zion

“Ain't Dat Good News”

★ DOXOLOGY

p. 94, UM Hymnal

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

[Ushers may seat the worshipers]

RECOGNITION OF SERVANT LEADERS

Pastor Dale

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

Mrs. Vicki Carr-Trotter

THE WORD OF GOD

1 Samuel 3: 1-10

Reader

LITANY BASED ON Mark 1:14-20

Ms. Leah McIntosh

O God, We Long for Your Presence

One: Though often misunderstood, often held captive by fabricated realities, our souls long for peace.

Many: O God, we long for your presence; we long for peace.

One: We run without a destination, surrounded by highways of turbulent noise. We are tired, worn and battered, and our souls long for joy.

Many: O God, we long for your presence; we long for joy.

One: Through it all; in it all; and around all of it—choose to love the astounding teachings of the Messiah. Look to experience peace and joy—even in the midst of disappointment, war, injustice, or poverty. Allow your soul to become acquainted with the One who changes hard challenges into opportunities for transformation and growth.

Many: Peace and Joy are possible in the presence of the Savior.

All: In spite of the world’s challenges, we choose peace; we choose joy; we choose to follow YOU, Lord!

(Carolyn W. Dandridge, Third Sunday after the Epiphany, Year B)

SERMONIC HYMN

[Ushers may seat the worshipers]

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Dale

★ WORSHIP IN SONG

p. 147, Songs of Zion

“Amen”

[Remain standing]

BENEDICTION

Pastor Dale



Mission and Outreach THANK YOU!

The words thank you cannot begin to express my sincere gratitude for your thoughtfulness and generous support of Mission and Outreach's Angel Tree 2023. Whether you were an Angel who flew in and willingly gave of your time or gave from your heart, your contribution made it possible for Angel Tree 2023 to provide 100% for each and every Child. Everyone is greatly appreciated, and I am overwhelmingly thankful to you for your warm generosity and continued support of a program, which is very dear to me.

Sincerely, ***Regina G. Sims***

Mission and Outreach Angel Tree Coordinator

Thanks Pastor Dale and my church family for your prayers, calls, and cards during my time of healing after my Cataract surgery. I THANK ALL OF YOU again and I thank God for sending all of you in my life. ***I love my church and my church family, Herma Gardere***

OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDY & SERVICE

SENIOR - Potluck

The Senior Pot-luck meeting will be in the Mann-Swisher Hall on Thursday, January 25, 2024 @ 11 a.m.

CHURCH COUNCIL

The Church Council will meet on Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 6 p.m. via Zoom. Contact the church office with your email to add to the invitation email list.

ELDERTECH ACADEMY: Our next session will be January 26

Computer tutoring is being offered through the Eldertech Academy via Zoom each week. There will be One class session per week: Fridays at 11:00 a.m. The Zoom link invitation will be sent to you each week prior to the session. If you would like to join the class, contact the church office to give us your email address.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY – Back in person beginning January 2024!



Starting January 2024, the children's ministry will resume in-person gatherings on the last Saturday of every month. Drop off your child ages potty trained-17 from 12:00 noon-2:30pm at Easter Hill.



Sunday, January 28, 2024, at 12 noon!

The children will be engaged in play, games, bible study. Possible field trips and a light snack will be served before they go home. Groups will be facilitated by Karolyn Langston and Jasmine Haynes, and we will follow "safe sanctuary" guidelines. Call Karolyn 510.689.8288 if you plan to bring your child(ren)!

MISSION & OUTREACH



Our Congregation participate in the SOUPER BOWL OF CARING which impact and changes lives. Now, more than ever, our community needs your help. The number of families struggling to put food on their tables continues to grow.

The Souper Bowl of Caring is a national movement across the nation working together to fight hunger and poverty in the community, On **Sunday, February 11, 2024**, the day of the Super Bowl Football game, we will take a special collection. We will send all funds raised directly to the hunger-relief charity of our choice.

Please make checks payable to Easter Hill United Methodist Church and put Souper Bowl of Caring on the memo line. Thanks, *Mission and Outreach*

NAMI CC Presents...



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National Alliance on Mental Illness

**Contra Costa
County**

Black Minds Matter *2!*

Presented by the African American Uplift Program

***Via ZOOM**

Meeting ID:

863 0852 3473

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR

AFRICAN-AMERICAN FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP



Mental Wellness Wednesdays

Every 4th Wednesday of the month

7:00pm – 8:00pm

Facilitated by Gigi Crowder



For more information, assistance, and to RSVP, contact Gigi Crowder at (510) 990-2670 or gigi@namicontracosta.org

**THE EASTER HILL UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH CHOIR & GUESTS**

present a

**GOSPEL
CONCERT**

**CELEBRATING
BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

FEBRUARY 25, 2024

4 p.m.

**SAVE THE
DATE!!!**

Concert Location

El Sobrante United Methodist Church
670 Appian Way, El Sobrante, California 94803
Rev. Emily Pickens-Jones, Pastor

STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION!

CALENDAR EVENTS | JANUARY 22-28, 2024

Monday, January 22, 2024

10:30a CD Group | [Via Zoom](#)

7p Q Place | [Via Zoom](#)

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

GATHERING OF SPIRITUAL LEADERS

11a Q Place | [Via Zoom](#)

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

GATHERING OF SPIRITUAL LEADERS

7p BLACK MINDS MATTER 2 | [Via Zoom](#)

Thursday, January 25, 2024

GATHERING OF SPIRITUAL LEADERS

11a Senior Potluck Mtg. | **Mann Swisher Hall**

6p Church Council | [Via Zoom](#)

Friday, January 26, 2024

11a Eldertech Computer Training | [Via Zoom](#)

Saturday, January 27, 2024

9a Prayer Ministry | [Via Zoom](#)

11A:30a-1p Choir Rehearsal | **Sanctuary**

Sunday, January 28, 2024

10a Worship 3rd Sunday after Epiphany (Lectionary Yr. B)

| *In-person Attendance* | *Live Stream on Facebook*

12p Choir Rehearsal | **Sanctuary**

1:30p Just Faith Ministries | **Mann Swisher Hall**

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STATEMENT OF WELCOME

All creation is of sacred worth. All humans are sacred images of God. Easter Hill United Methodist Church affirms, without reservation, Jesus' life, and ministry of unconditional love. As an inclusive and nurturing family of families, Easter Hill will continue to welcome and offer hospitality to all persons regardless of age, race, gender orientation, religious, economic, educational, or social status.