


EASTER HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH | JANUARY 28, 2024
REV. DR. DALE M. WEATHERSPOON, PASTOR
OUR MISSION IS TO KNOW CHRIST AND TO MAKE CHRIST KNOWN



*... his fame began to
spread throughout
the surrounding
region of Galilee.*

Mark 1:28, NR5V

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

January 28, 2024 | 10:00 a.m.

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

GATHERING MEDITATION

Ms. Leah McIntosh

CALL TO WORSHIP

Ms. Leah McIntosh

(based on Psalm 111 and Deuteronomy 18:15-20)

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart in the company of the upright in the congregation.

Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

The works of God's hands are faithful and just; all God's precepts are trustworthy.

They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

God's works extend to you and me and the whole community as the Spirit nurtures gifts and graces in each of us.

Great are the works of the Lord, whose love and grace endures forever!

God raises up some to be prophets to help us follow God's voice, yet all are called to lead by following.

We affirm the gifts of those who are called to be truth-tellers in our midst, helping us all to answer the call to be truth-doers. Great are the works of the Lord! Amen. *Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2023.*

[Ushers may seat the worshipers]

✦ HYMN OF WORSHIP

p. 140, UM Hymnal

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

✦ WORSHIP IN PRAISE

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"How Great Is Our God"

[Ushers may seat the worshipers, please remain seated]

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Dale

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

PRAYER HYMN

p. 507, AAHH

“He Hath Done Great Things for Me”

[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. 511, AAHH

“He’s Done So Much for Me”

✦ DOXOLOGY

p. 94, UM Hymnal

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

[Ushers may seat the worshipers]

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

Ms. Karolyn Langston

THE WORD OF GOD

Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

Mark 1: 21-28

Ms. Leah McIntosh

Mr. Adolphus Benjamin

SERMONIC HYMN

[Ushers may seat the worshipers]

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Dale

✦ WORSHIP IN SONG

p. 111, AAHH

“To God Be the Glory”

[Remain standing]

BENEDICTION

Pastor Dale

CONDOLENCES to Myrtle Braxton who lost her daughter-in-law, **Deborah (Debbie) Ferguson** on January 24th at 7:38 a.m.
Please pray for the Braxton family.

Pray for Sharon Nash Haynes who has lost her son Keith on Friday, January 26, 2024.



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



YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS OUR NEXT SUNDAY SPEAKER...



REV. DR. HUBERT L. IVERY

The Rev. Dr. Hubert Ivery is a retired UMC pastor who has served churches in the California-Nevada Annual Conference since 1993. Dr. Ivery holds a bachelor's degree from Texas Southern University, master's degrees from both the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta and Boston University School of Theology, and a Ph.D. from the California Institute of Integral Studies. His dissertation, "The Spiritual Psychology of Howard Thurman: An Afrocentric Perspective," prepared him for lifelong service work. His specialized areas of ministry have included Pastoral Care, Interfaith Relationships, Advocacy and Justice, Intercultural Communication, Community Organizing, and Spirituality and Psychology. Rev. Ivery is the co-founder and co-director of the [Center for Intentional Inclusive Community](#), a non-profit organization committed to pursuing racial justice and equality by establishing a loving, just, and inclusive community. He founded [Community Quest Coaching](#), which was established to strengthen individuals' capacity to serve as allies and change agents. He is the Interim President of the Genesis, a community organizing organization in the East Bay. Dr. Ivery is passionate about engaging Christians in personal, spiritual, and social transformation. He is the husband of Rev. Donna Fado Ivery and father of two wonderful adult daughters, Aisha, an artist/entertainer, and Imani, a corporate attorney.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDY & SERVICE

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.

TODAY at 12 noon!

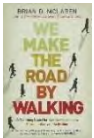
The children will be engaged in play, games, bible study. Possible field trips and a light snack will be served before they go home. Groups will be facilitated by Karolyn Langston and Jasmine Haynes, and we will follow "safe sanctuary" guidelines. Call Karolyn 510.689.8288 if you plan to bring your child(ren)!

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.



ADULT BIBLE STUDY



The Adult Bible Study will pick up where they left off with, We Make the Road by Walking, by Brian McLaren They will meet on **Wednesday, February 7th at 12p** via Zoom. Contact Barbara Scott with any questions.

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*



CPR CLASS

West Contra Costa County Adult Education (WCCAE) has scheduled a **Cardiovascular Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)** Class for **Saturday, March 16, 2024** from **8AM to 1:30PM** at the Alvarado Elementary School; Campus 5625 Sutter Avenue, Richmond, California 94804.

Space is available now for anyone interested. Contact Jackie Alexander @ 510-231-0563. Please leave a message with your full name and telephone number. The **LAST DAY TO SIGN UP** is **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024**.

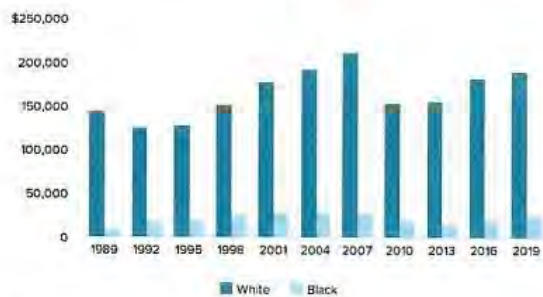
Racial Wealth Gap Learning Simulation

Save the Date!

- Sunday, February 18, 2024
- 12:30pm Gather; 1pm Presentation
- Location: Fellowship Hall

The legacy of slavery, redlining, and discrimination limits Black families' wealth compared with white families

Median family net worth by race and ethnicity, selected years from 1989 to 2019



Note: Race and ethnicity are mutually exclusive (i.e., White non-Hispanic and Black non-Hispanic)
Source: Economic Policy Institute analysis of Federal Reserve Board, "Net Worth by Race or Ethnicity" (online table) from the Survey of Consumer Finances, 1989-2019. Last updated November 4, 2021

Economic Policy Institute

Invitation

Epworth United Methodist Church invites you to an interactive event that explores wealth building in America.

The Racial Wealth Gap learning simulation offers a powerful opportunity to visualize the ways federal policies directly accelerated or impeded progress based on race.

Invite friends and neighbors to participate as we reflect on the racialized impacts of laws that have determined access to opportunity, resources, and power for generations AND what we can do to change them.

Location

Epworth United Methodist Church
1953 Hopkins Street
Berkeley, CA 94707
www.epworthberkeley.org

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

presents a

**GOSPEL CHOIR
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 29 - FEBRUARY 4, 2024

Monday, January 29, 2024

10:30a CD Group | [Via Zoom](#)
7p Q Place | [Via Zoom](#)

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

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

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Thursday, February 1, 2024

6p SPRC | [Via Zoom](#)

Friday, February 2, 2024

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

Saturday, February 3, 2024

9a Prayer Ministry | [Via Zoom](#)
11:30a-1p Choir Rehearsal | **Sanctuary**

Sunday, February 4, 2024

10a Worship 3rd Sunday after Epiphany (Lectionary Yr. B)
| *In-person Attendance* | *Live Stream on Facebook*
12p Choir Rehearsal | **Sanctuary**

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS & CONTACT INFO

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Kimberly Harvey, Director, Voices of Easter Hill

Joyce Clark, Administrative Assistant

Rev. Minerva G. Carcaño, Resident Bishop

Rev. Shinya Goto, District Superintendent

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.

