



**Bloom**  
in the  
**Desert**  
Ministries



July 23, 2023

# Welcome

Bloom in the Desert Ministries (Bloom) is a United Church of Christ (UCC) that had Methodist

beginnings. This liberal Protestant church was born in 2002, as an independent ministry in collaboration with Methodist organizations seeking to start and promote inclusive Christian ministries. Sunday worship began on March 9, 2003. The fledgling congregation decided in 2004 to pursue standing in the UCC, which was established by vote of the Eastern Association of the Southern California Nevada Conference of the UCC on October 29, 2005, welcoming Bloom as a dual covenant, peace, and justice congregation. Bloom is a member of the UCC Open and Affirming Coalition and the Reconciling Ministries Network (Methodist). Bloom is governed congregationally according to our unique bylaws. All Bloom members and friends are ministers in our faith. Our Open Leadership Team and congregation meetings provide leadership and decision making to empower our vision, mission, and core values.

## **Our Vision**

Bloom chooses to build a loving, safe, inclusive faith community that is intellectually challenging, emotionally supportive and filled with the strength, integrity, and social responsibility that spirituality inspires.

## **Our Mission**

Guided by teachings of Jesus Christ, Bloom is a community of believers who strive to uplift and heal one another. We gather to worship God, witness our faith in the living of our lives and uphold one another in Christian living. United in our diversity we are inclusive and embracing. We agitate for God's peace and justice in our community and around the world.

## **Our Core Values**

We are a people of God's extravagant welcome.

We are a people of covenant.

We work toward a just and loving world through service and generosity.

We listen for the still-speaking God.

We encourage a life of inquisitive and thoughtful searching.

We are grounded by Christian faithfulness.

We celebrate the joy in life.

## **Sunday Worship 10am**

**Demuth Community Center — 3601 E. Mesquite Avenue, Palm Springs, CA 92264**

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**Bill Wallace, Administrative Assistant — [adminassitant@bloominthedesert.org](mailto:adminassitant@bloominthedesert.org)**

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## Annual Summer FUN Gathering for Bloomers and Friends.

**Welcome and Enjoy Bloomers, Friends, Family, and Guests to Join Us.**

Please help Bloom reach our 2023 goal of 75 reservations.

**10th Annual Hot August Night; 5:45PM Dinner, Drinks, and 7PM BINGO!**

\$25.00/pp Donation Bingo FUNdraiser, with food and bar available additional on your own from Oscar's Downtown Restaurant and Bar. Please order from the menu – \$20/pp minimum..

The wonderful staff will be happy to serve you.

Doors open at 5:30 for dinner and drinks. Bingo with Deven and Ned and from 7 to 8 pm.

Door prizes and live auction will add to the fun.

Please make paid reservations at <https://bloominthedesert.breezechms.com/give/online>

Write "Hot August Night" in the "Comments" area and detail any guests you have.

**Thank you for your support.**



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OF CHRIST  
a just world for all

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United Church of Christ  
Palm Springs, CA  
Christmas in July

**July 23, 2023**

For Facebook check-ins, etc., the Demuth Community Center

Wi-Fi password is: D3muthP@rk

\* Please rise as you are able in body and spirit.

**9:50am Pre-Service Music**

Jenn Dean, flute, Ken Forney, piano

“Gabriel’s Message”

**10:00am Gathering Song**

Em-man - u - el, Em-man - u - el, his name is called  
 Em-man - u - el. God with us, re-vealed in us,  
 his name is called Em - man - u - el.

**Welcome and News of the Congregation**

Rich Fluechtling, Worship Leader

**Music for Centering**

Jenn Dean, flute, Ken Forney, piano

“Mary, Did You Know?”

**\* Call to Worship**

Paul Gibb

Living among us, the Word is made flesh; Logos, full of grace and truth. Reason takes shape and builds a home here, the embodiment of God's Love.

**Alleluia! We know God still speaks! With excitement! With enthusiasm!  
Always loving and just. Creating new life!**

Ancient angels sang, "Glory!" God is with us! We know now that nothing can separate us from God's love! We hope that will one day lead all humanity into:

**Aloha. Shalom. Salaam. Vrede. Myr. Ping-an. Paz. Peace. Amen.**

**\* Opening Hymn**

**Angels, from the Realms of Glory**

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*James Montgomery, 1816; alt.*

*Luke 2:8-20; Matt. 2:1-2, 9-11*

1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
2 Shep - herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, watch - ing o'er your flocks by night,  
3 Sag - es, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, bright - er vi - sions beam a - far;  
4 Saints, be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, watch - ing long in hope and fear,

As you sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:  
God with us is now re - sid - ing, yon - der shines the in - fant light:  
Seek the great De - sire of Na - tions, guid - ed by Christ's na - tal star:  
Sud - den - ly, your prayers at - tend - ing, Christ be - side you shall ap - pear.

*Refrain*

Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, give thanks and sing.

## In Faith We Open Our Hearts to Ministry

### Prayer for Good and Growth

As we contemplate the greatest gifts God bestows, let us now pray this Christmas prayer entitled: “Nativity’s Wardrobe”

**Ever-present God, help us lean forward in celebration, stripped of low desire, bursting with new hope found and new joys shared.**

Rebirth in us the grace and power of nativity – our nativity – a rebirthing of life with all its ambiguities, pains, pleasures, and wondrous possibilities.

**Open our eyes to your newborn presence within all your children.**

Nativity wrapped in three-piece suits and designer dresses.

**Nativity in ragged blue jeans, ball caps, and swaddling clothes.**

Nativity made-to-measure and “off the rack.” Nativity topped with turbans and soft-sandaled feet.

**Come, let us go to the stable, let us find God’s new wardrobe of bright colored robes, hand-loomed saris, and mandarin collars--you in us, O God, and we in you!**

(written by Danny A. Belrose, submitted by Bob Klombies, adapted)

**Our Silent Prayers** (These intentional moments of silence are included in worship to enable minds to settle, then move past the distraction of internal chatter, to connect actively with God. A few deep breaths may help make the connection. Relax, and embrace a spiritual dimension.)

Loving creator of all, wonderful counselor for everyone, sovereign of peace, receive now our silent prayers.

~ Silence ~

To all our silent prayers let the people say amen.

**Amen.**

### Words of Encouragement

(Our) help comes from YHWH, who made heaven and earth! YHWH won’t let our footsteps slip: our Guardian never sleeps.

**Amen. Let us now receive the Word.**

## Sung Response

## Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah.  
Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le, —  
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

## The Word Informs Our Living with Grace and Power

### Hebrew Scripture Reading

Isaiah 9:1-7

Carl Toland

“But there will be no more gloom  
for the land that was in anguish!  
In the past God humbled  
the land of Zebulun, the land of  
Naphtali.  
but in the future God will bring glory  
to this Road to the Sea,  
this Land beyond the Jordan,  
this Galilee of the Nations.

The people walking in darkness  
are seeing a brilliant light—  
upon those who dwell in a land of deep  
shadows  
light is shining!

For a child is born to us,  
an heir is given us,  
upon whose shoulders  
dominion will rest.  
This One shall be called Wonderful  
Counselor,  
the Strength of God, Eternal Protector,  
Champion of Peace.

God, you have made the nation greater—  
you have brought them abundant joy!  
They celebrate in your presence  
as with the harvest celebrations,  
or as warriors celebrate when dividing  
spoils.

For the yoke that burdened them,  
the weight on their shoulders,  
the rod of their oppressors—  
you have shattered it,  
as you did at the defeat of Midian.

For every boot that tramped in battle,  
every cloak that was dragged through  
blood,  
is now used as fuel for the fire.

This dominion, and this peace,  
will grow without end,  
with David’s throne and realm  
sustained with justice and fairness,  
now and forever.

The zeal of YHWH Omnipotent  
will accomplish it!”

~The Inclusive Bible Translation

### Special Music

Jenn Dean, flute, Ken Forney, piano

“Christmas Angels”

**\* Gospel Reading**

Luke 2:1-20

Phyllis Ramsey

In those days, Caesar Augustus published a decree ordering a census of the whole Roman world. This first census took place while Quirinius was Governor of Syria. All the people were instructed to go back to the towns of their birth to register. And so, Joseph went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to “the City of David” —Bethlehem, in Judea, because Joseph was of the house and lineage of David; he went to register with Mary, his espoused wife, who was pregnant. While they were there, the time came for her delivery. She gave birth to her firstborn, a son; she put him in a simple cloth wrapped like a receiving blanket, and laid him in a feeding trough for cattle, because there was no room for them at the inn.



There were shepherds in the area living in the fields and keeping night watch by turns over their flock. The angel of God appeared to them, and the glory of God shone around them; they were very much afraid.

The angel said to them, “You have nothing to fear! I come to proclaim good news to you—news of a great joy to be shared by the whole people. Today in David’s city, a savior—the Messiah—has been born to you. Let this be a sign to you: you’ll find an infant wrapped in a simple cloth, lying in a manger.”

Suddenly, there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying,

“Glory to God in high heaven!

And on earth, peace to those on whom God’s favor rests.”

When the angels had returned to heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go straight to Bethlehem and

see this event that God has made known to us.” They hurried and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger; once they saw this, they reported what they had been told concerning the child. All who heard about it were astonished at the report given by the shepherds.

Mary treasured all these things and reflected on them in her heart. The shepherds went away glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as they had been told.

~The Inclusive Bible Translation

Here ends the reading of the Gospel. This is the Good News of Jesus Christ.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**



★ Hymn

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Angels We Have Heard on High

Luke 2:15

Traditional French carol  
 Transl. st. 1-3, "Crown of Jesus Music II," 1862; alt.  
 St. 4, "Carols Old and Carols New," Boston, 1916; alt.

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,  
 2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?  
 3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see Christ whose birth the an - gels sing;  
 4 See the babe in man - ger laid whom the choirs of an - gels praise;

And the moun - tains in re - ply, ech - o back their joy - ous strains.  
 Say what may the tid - ings be, which in - spire your heaven - ly song.  
 Come a - dore on bend - ed knee, God, our world now en - ter - ing.  
 Mar - y, Jo - seph, lend your aid, while our hearts in love we raise.

*Refrain*

Glo - - - - - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o, Glo - - - - -





*The earliest version of this anonymous French carol was first published in 1855. There have been numerous English translations since the 1860s, but the carol did not gain widespread ecumenical usage until the first half of the twentieth century.*

Tune: GLORIA 7.7.7. with refrain  
(LES ANGES DANS NOS CAMPAGNES)  
*French carol melody*

## Commentary

Rev. Ron Lang

Rev. Ron Lang is a retired Methodist Minister, having served churches in Wyoming and Montana. He returned to school and became an entomologist subsequently working for the USDA in weed control. In his spare time, he is a flower show judge. Both Ron and his wife, Linda, are long-time members of Bloom.

To mark this bemusing Sunday Morning, the poem entitled, “The Work of Christmas,” composed by Howard Thurman, an African-American theologian, educator, and civil rights leader, is most apropos for “keeping Christmas” all year long.

When the song of the angels is stilled,  
when the star in the sky is gone,  
when the kings and princes are home,  
when the shepherds are back with their flocks,  
the work of Christmas begins:  
to find the lost,  
to heal the broken,  
to feed the hungry,  
to release the prisoner,  
to rebuild the nations,  
to bring peace among the people,  
to make music in the heart.

*The poem is from Howard Thurman's The Mood of Christmas and Other Celebrations.*

# Hymn of Response

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## Adeste Fideles (O Come, All You Faithful)

Luke 2:11-15; John 1:14

Latin, 18th century; attrib. to John Francis Wade  
Transl. Frederick Oakeley, 1841, and others; alt.

1 A - des - te, fi - de - les, lac - ti tri - um - phan - tes; ve -  
1 O come, all you faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O  
2 God of true God . . . Light of true Light . . .  
3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,  
4 A - men, Lord, we greet you, born this hap - py morn - ing;

ni - te, ve - ni - te in Beth - le - hem.  
come now, O come now to Beth - le - hem.  
born of the Vir - gin's womb in hu - man form;  
sing, all you mes - sen - gers of heaven - ly love;  
Je - sus to you shall all glo - ry be given;

Na - tum vi - de - te Re - gem an - ge - lo - rum.  
Come and be - hold the rul - er of all an - gels:  
Tru - ly our God, be - got - ten, not cre - at - ed:  
"Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est":  
Word of our God . . . now in flesh ap - pear - ing:

*Refrain*

Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus, ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus,  
O come in ad - o - ra - tion, O come in ad - o - ra - tion,



*The Latin text and tune of this familiar hymn are found together in several eighteenth-century manuscripts signed by John F. Wade. Wade lived among a group of English Catholic refugees in northern France.*

Tune: ADESTE FIDELES Irr. with refrain  
English melody, 18th century  
John F. Wade's Cantus Diversi, c. 1743  
Harm. Collections of Motets or Antiphons, 1792

## Offering our Prayer Concerns, and Joys and Thanksgivings

Rich Fluechtling, Worship Leader

### Concerns:

Keep watch, dear God, with all who work, or watch, or weep this day. Tend the sick, give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake.

**God, receive our prayer.”**

### Joys and Thanksgivings:

Your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of all creation. Keep us always thankful for your loving providence and help us be faithful stewards of your good and abundant gifts.

**“God, receive our prayer.”**

## Sung Response In Our God I'll Be Ever Thankful



Words by Community of Taizé, Music by Jacques Berthier, adapted

## Ministry of Generosity — Expressing God's Love and Empowering Good Works

**Our tithes and offerings are an expression of our hearts and our discipleship.**

--Checks should be made out to “Bloom in the Desert Ministries.” Checks and cash in envelopes with identification are recorded for your year-end convenience. **Online giving is available and easy!** Go to: [www.bloominthedesert.org](http://www.bloominthedesert.org) and click on the Donate tab. Thank you.



## Offertory-Meditation Music

Jenn Dean, flute, Ken Forney, piano  
“Go Tell It on the Mountain”

## Reception of Offerings and Prayer of Dedication

Lynda Toland

O God, we are stirred this Christmas Sunday to refocus our attention from the commercialism of Christmas to the miraculous birth of an infant who was born in a manger long ago. You have given us such a precious gift. Thank you, God. We offer you these gifts as our gratitude for all that you give to us. We pray in the name of that miraculous infant, the Baby Jesus. Amen.

(from “When We Gather: A Book of Prayers for Worship” by James G. Kirk)

(Please rise, as you are able, in celebration as we sing the Doxology.)

### \* Doxology

#### Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise God, all creatures here be -  
low. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God, the source of all our  
gifts! Praise Je - sus Christ, whose power up - lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly  
Spir - it! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

### \*Prayer of Jesus (Please join hands)

**Our Father (Eternal Source/Mother/Creator/Parent) in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom (kin-dom/realm/dream), come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses (sins/debts), as we forgive those who trespass against us (sin against us/our debtors). And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For yours is the kingdom (kin-dom/realm/dream), and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

\* Sending Hymn

Joy to the World!

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Isaac Watts, 1719; alt.

Ps. 98:4-9; Luke 2:11-15

1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth its  
 2 Joy to the earth! the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their  
 3 Christ rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

prais - es bring; Let ev - ery heart pre - pare Christ room,  
 songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
 na - tions prove The glo - ries of God's righ - teous - ness

and heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture  
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing  
 and won - ders of God's love, and won - ders of God's

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 and won - ders of God's love, and

sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.  
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of God's love.

heaven and na - ture sing,  
 peat the sound - ing joy,  
 won - ders of God's love,

Stanza 1 may be sung, "Joy to the world! the Sovereign comes: . . ."

Isaac Watts, an English Congregationalist, freely paraphrased Old Testament psalms to glorify Christ and here develops a hymn of advent and nativity from a psalm.

Tune: ANTIOCH C.M.  
 Lowell Mason, 1836

## Benediction and Blessing

Our worship is ended. Our service begins. What does God need from us?

**“Simply do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with your God.”**

May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the humility of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ child.

**We will go now seeking justice, sharing compassion and promoting hope in the world. Amen.**

My dear friends in faith, will you go from wherever you are to be people of God in Christ’s name?

**We will. Amen!**

## Passing of the Peace

Let us safely offer one another signs of grace and peace and go in peace. Amen.

## Postlude

Ken Forney, piano

“Holiday Medley”

<b>Bloom Happenings this Week</b>						
<b>Monday</b> July 24	<b>Tuesday</b> July 25	<b>Wednesday</b> July 26	<b>Thursday</b> July 27	<b>Friday</b> July 28	<b>Saturday</b> July 29	<b>Sunday</b> July 30
<b>10:30am-1:00pm</b> Lunch for our unhoused neighbors served at United Methodist	<b>10:30am-1:00pm</b> Lunch for our unhoused neighbors served at United Methodist	<b>10:45am – 1:00pm</b> Lunch served at St. Paul’s Episcopal <b>1-2pm</b> <b>School Supplies &amp; Backpack Stuffing in the Office</b>	<b>Afternoon</b> Volunteer Opportunity Assemble bulletins in the office	<b>4:00pm</b> Women of Bloom Zoom Happy Hour		<b>10:00 am</b> Sunday Service at Demuth and on Facebook Live

# Congregational Life Announcements

--A warm welcome and thank you to **Jenn Dean**, flute, and **Ken Forney**, piano, for sharing their musical talents with us today.

--Thank you to **Rich Fluechtling**, Worship Leader, and **Paul Gibb, Carl Toland, and Phyllis Ramsey** for serving as readers for today's service.

--Thank you to **Nick Wass** and **Jackson Enzler** for handling the technical aspects for today's service. Thank you also to our ushers this morning.

--**Flowers on the Worship Center**, symbolic of the living Christ are offered to the glory of God by **Jim Nixon** in celebration of our new members.

--Those wishing to donate flowers may contact **Ray Allen** at 405-833-1817 for assistance.

## Last Week's Participation

Sunday Service: --Souls Present at Demuth: 44 --Children: 0 --First Timers: 4  
--- Facebook Live Views: 20 ---Facebook Total Views: 80 --YouTube Views: 6

## Sunday Offering

--**Previous Week's Support:** Tithes, Offerings, and Participation:

Offering, online, by mail and text: \$2,110 Electronic Giving: \$979

Permanence Fund: \$309 Cumulative: \$321,433

Hot August Night Confirmed Reservations: 35 Goal: 75

--Please sign up for **Ralph's Community Rewards**. Choose Bloom in the Desert Ministries (Ralphs #PG245.) as your designated charity to benefit from a small percentage of your purchase totals. Every little bit helps!

**Electronic giving is easy! Scan this QR code for Bloom's mobile-friendly online giving page or visit [www.bloominthedesert.org/donateparticipate](http://www.bloominthedesert.org/donateparticipate).**



--**The Inclusive Bible: The First Egalitarian Translation** by Priests for Equality and the **Revised Common Lectionary** are the usual references for Sunday morning scripture readings.

--**Liturgy and prayers** are original, sourced, and often adapted.

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**Go Tell It on the Mountain**, arr. by Joel Raney, ©2013 Hope Publishing

**Holiday Medley**, arr. Mark Hayes, ©2001 Lorenz Publishing



## Ministries of Leadership and Support

--**Open Leadership Meetings** are typically the second Wednesday, 6:30-8:00pm PDT. The next hybrid meeting will be July 12 at 6:30pm PDT in the church office. All are welcome with voice. Bloom members have vote. Contact **Lynda Toland** to receive the Zoom Invitation.

--**Congregation meetings** are in February, May, and October, and special meetings as called. The next congregation meeting is October 15 after church.

### Church Growth and New Member Involvement Ministry

--**If you are interested in making a covenant as a member or associate member** with Bloom in the Desert Ministries UCC, please contact **John DiNapoli**, [dinojnps@gmail.com](mailto:dinojnps@gmail.com) or **Bill Wallace** at [adminassistant@bloominthedesert.org](mailto:adminassistant@bloominthedesert.org).

--**For more information on the United Church of Christ**, visit [www.ucc.org](http://www.ucc.org).

--**Persons seeking Christian Baptism** please call **760-327-3802** for pastoral response.

### Nurture and Community Life Ministry

--**We Care**: If you know of someone in the hospital, or who might enjoy a pastoral call, including yourself, please call the **church office** at **760 327-3802** and leave a message.

### Education Ministry

--**Bloom BibleBites** meets every first, third, and fourth Wednesdays (and when no Open Leadership meeting is held) at 6 pm PDT via Zoom. All are welcome. The group is currently reading I Timothy. If you wish to join the BibleBites discussion and reading, notify Bill Wallace at [adminassistant@bloominthedesert.org](mailto:adminassistant@bloominthedesert.org). You will be sent a link to this meeting prior to the date.

--**Bloom Book Club**-. The group will be taking a summer break and resume on October 2.

### Social Action and Missions Ministry

--**Lunch Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays**: Come serve lunch at the United Methodist Church of Palm Springs on Mondays and Tuesdays, located at 1555 E. Alejo Rd, Palm Springs 10:30 am–1:00 pm PDT. On Wednesdays, lunch is served at St Paul’s Episcopal Church at 125 W El Alameda, Palm Springs 10:45 am-1 pm. Contact **Jon Miller** at [jmiller.ps@icloud.com](mailto:jmiller.ps@icloud.com).

### Our focused ministries include:

- School children’s benevolence – backpacks, church camp, and Christmas gift cards.
- Relieving food insecurity – Lunch Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, food bank support.
- National church’s wider mission – “5 for 5” UCC mission offerings, disaster relief.
- Spiritual and personal development – worship, music, bible study, book clubs, lending library.
- Loving presence – birthday/anniversary cards, eyeglasses, recycling, Us Plus local outreach.
- For peace action and social justice email alerts, sign up with **Jon Miller** at [jmiller.ps@icloud.com](mailto:jmiller.ps@icloud.com).

**A wheelchair and large-print bulletins** are available for your convenience.

**You are welcome to take this bulletin with you for reflection.**

or leave it with the ushers for recycling.

**God wants you to think for yourself and live for others.**

Bathrooms are located through the double glass doors and to the left.