

Get Connected

YEAR-END GIVING NOTES

If you wish to make any final donations to LAUMC in this tax year, all 2017 financial gifts must be received in the offering plate or church office **today**. Credit card donations can be made at <https://laumc.onlinegiving.org>.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY: CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Monday and Tuesday, January 1–2

The church office will reopen on Wednesday, January 3. For urgent pastoral care, contact our After-Hours Pastoral Care Line (650-823-4562).

TUESDAY AT THE MOVIES

Tuesday, January 2, 1:00pm, Live Oak Room

Come view *Miracle on 34th Street* with Boomers and Beyond. Drinks and snacks are provided. Contact Harriet Palmer (650-948-9527) with questions.

CSA FOOD DONATIONS REMINDER

Sunday, January 7, all services

Remember to bring nonperishable food donations next week for delivery to Community Services Agency.

CONFIRMATION CLASS STARTING

Sunday, January 7, 10:00–11:00am, Youth Room

Eighth graders are invited to come build new and deeper relationships with friends and with God, learn about their faith and this church, and explore whether to become full members of the church. Parents and students are invited to the first class on January 7; more details, the class schedule, and registration are available at www.laumc.org/youth/confirmation.

BATON ROUGE FLOOD RECOVERY TRIP

January 28 – February 3

To help mitigate the effects of the recent floods in Louisiana, a team organized by LAUMC will go to Baton Rouge the next month. This trip is open to the general community; prior experience is welcome but not required. Registration is \$235, plus airfare and some meals. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/BRouge> for details and to register **by January 3**. An orientation will be held on Sunday, January 7, 3:00–5:00pm. Contact Leslie Carmichael (carm-lee@pacbell.net or 650-468-7890) with questions.

For a calendar of events, please visit our website: www.laumc.org

REGISTER FOR MEXICO HOUSE-BUILDING TRIP

April 7–14, 2018

Come on one of LAUMC's Mexico trips and put your faith into action! This trip will change your life as you get to know and fall in love with the people of Tecate. We will build simple two-room houses for working people. No power tools are used and no prior experience is necessary, so this trip is great for the whole family and non-LAUMC participants. Find more details and registration forms at www.laumc.org/mexico or pick up a print copy in the church entry. Completed forms and deposits are due **by January 3**, with later registrations accepted if space is available. Scholarships are available. For more information, contact Leslie Carmichael (carm-lee@pacbell.net).



*Welcome to Los Altos
United Methodist Church!*

*We believe all persons are children
of God, and we welcome ALL, regardless
of age, cultural background, disabilities,
ethnicity, financial circumstances, gender
identity, marital status, religious tradition,
or sexual orientation.*

Los Altos United Methodist Church

**Get Up and Go: #morelife
Sunday, December 31, 2017**

Senior Pastor: Kathi McShane
Minister of Music and Worship Arts: Dirk Damonte
Associate Pastor: Sam Lewis
Associate Pastor: Jon Visitation
Director of Congregational Care: Patricia Parfett
Director of Ministry and Music for Youth: Carol Damonte
Director of Children's Ministries: Michelle Caudle
Children's Center Codirectors: Heidi Bliss and Dee Gray
Pastor Emeritus: John L. Dodson

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PASSIONATE *Worship*



- ♦ Visitors, please come by the Connection Point to receive a gift.
- ♦ Hearing assist devices are available: see an usher.
- ♦ Please turn off all cell phones and pager alarms.
- ♦ Those able are invited to stand when indicated with the † symbol.
- ♦ FWS: *The Faith We Sing* | UMH: *United Methodist Hymnal*

Gathering Music - *The Rain is Falling Softly* Jespersen
Scott Jespersen, organ

Centering Moment

Welcoming the Light Sue Berry, Jan Dobson

† **Song** - *Angels We Have Heard on High* (v. 1-3) UMH 238

Greeting

† **Song** - *Angels We Have Heard on High* (v. 4) UMH 238

Bible Reading Matthew 2:1-12 CEB
Pew Bible p. 2 (NT)

Invitation to Prayer

Choral Prayer Preparation

Prayers & Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Song - *What Child Is This* (v. 1, 3) UMH 219

Bible Reading Matthew 2:13-23 CEB
Pew Bible p. 2 (NT)

Song - *We Three Kings* (v. 1, 5) UMH 254

Message Rev. Sam Lewis

Song - *We Are Called* FWS 2172

Global Migration Sunday

Response to Our Generous God

8:30am & 10:00am

Offering - *Latch*

Disclosure

In addition to the offering plate, donations may be made online (<https://laumc.onlinegiving.org/>) or by texting a gift amount to 650-229-5200. Info cards are in the pew pockets.

† **Song of Praise**

† **Prayer of Dedication**

† **Song** - *Go, Tell It On the Mountain* UMH 251

† **Sending Forth**

† **Song of Blessing**

Closing Music - *The Graceful Ghost Rag* Bolcom

CREEKSIDE *Crossings*

5:00pm

Welcome

*Hark the Herald Angels Sing
What Child Is This*

Prayers

Scripture 2 Kings 23:2-3

Message Rev. Kathi McShane

*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying
Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

Blessing

*Watch Night Rituals - of letting go, of hope for a new year
The Wesley Covenant Prayer, updated*

Prayer Concerns

IN SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD:

Please pray for those who are hungry, displaced, sick, or in poverty because of natural and human-made disasters, and for the workers who minister to them.

SPECIAL CONCERNS: Mercedes B., Janet Moller, Sarah S-J

MEN & WOMEN IN UNIFORM AROUND THE WORLD:

Rachel Z. E. Sheridan (USAF), James Dobson (USAF), Tyler Elgin (USA), Devin Kenny-Hernandez (USA), Phillip Lyman (USA), Kelly McCoy (USA), John Principe (USA), Jared Vallner (USA), Daniel Wood (USA), David Wood (USA), Jeffrey Wood (USA).

To view an extended Prayer Concerns list, or to request prayers, please visit www.laumc.org/prayers/.



LAUMC is a Care Ministry Congregation with trained, supportive, and loving people who are available to provide you with confidential, caring support in times of special need. If you need care, call the pastoral care line (650-823-4562).