



## “Reclaiming Our Journey”



Dear Saints,

04-12-2026

What an amazing weekend - a powerful way to end Holy Week and celebrate the Resurrection! Even though I wasn't there in person, I journeyed with you as you processed the cross on Good Friday and shared the Social Justice-oriented Stations of the Cross service. Then on Sunday, another powerful Easter service! I want to thank all of you who participated in each event/service, every act of worship, every gathering in-person and online. I really want to thank **Pastor Bam** and the **Creative Worship Teams** for all the planning they did to make each part of these services so special. You all ROCK!

This coming Sunday, we will begin our journey towards Pentecost, the day we celebrate the Holy Spirit coming to all of us! There will be a sermon series throughout Easter Tide entitled, *Road Trip To Pentecost*. In this series, we will examine what many of us know as the "lobber scriptures," those scriptures that many of us have been judged by because we are LGBTQ people of Faith. This series comes with a twist! It will offer simple responses to those who would still try to lobber us. Thanks to **Rev. Cindy Solomon-Klebba** for sharing her insights into the series and leaving us with a positive answer for these important readings.

On a personal note, I am still in North Carolina with my brother. As you probably know by now, my brother was taken by emergency to the hospital in very serious condition. They gave him only two weeks to live, but so far, God is strengthening him. He is fighting to live, and he appears to be getting stronger each day. I don't know how this will end, but I am so thankful to spend this time with him - time that can never be regained should death make its claim. Thank you for your prayers for Philip and his wife Dawn.

This Sunday, **Pastor Bam** will bring the message once again. They did a wonderful job last Sunday giving us a fresh message on the resurrection! This week, we'll be blessed all over again as the story continues with the message, *Reclaiming Our Journey*. If you'd like to read ahead, check out Luke 24;13-31 (New Revised Standard Version).

God bless.

Pastor Keith

**Founders MCC Core Values:** Love, Inclusion, Social Justice, Diversity, Spirituality and Acceptance

**Founders MCC Vision Statement:** We see our church as a community of faith, goodness, respect and union for all members regardless of race, color, language, immigration status, gender identity or sexual orientation. We see it as the house of Christ where our fundamental values of spirituality, love, social justice, diversity, inclusiveness and the feeling of community prevail.

**Mission of Founders MCC:** Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ here at Home, in our community, and in our World as we are called.

Applications for BOD and Lay Delegates are due THIS SUNDAY



BOD meeting Thursday April 16<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm via Zoom.

Meeting Id: 892 3951 0351  
Password: 340537



**MORNING MEDITATION MEETING**

Every day at 7:30 am in the Ghandi room for 45 minutes  
All welcome:  
All faiths or no faith

An illustration of a meditation room. The room has a wooden floor, a door, and a window. There are several folding chairs arranged in a circle. In the center of the room, there are several colorful cushions (red, green, yellow) and a small table with a bowl and a stack of books. The text "MORNING MEDITATION MEETING" is written in bold red letters at the top. To the right of the illustration, there is a yellow box with the text "Every day at 7:30 am in the Ghandi room for 45 minutes All welcome: All faiths or no faith".

**Critical Christianity**  
A new Adult Education Series  
from Founders' Community Academy

Help us build the class! We are exploring history, unpacking theology, and creating a liberating path of our own.  
SCAN TO TAKE THE 1-MINUTE SURVEY (Let us know your preferred times, formats, and topics!)

A graphic for a class called "Critical Christianity". It features a stained glass background. The text "Critical Christianity" is written in white on a dark purple background. Below it, it says "A new Adult Education Series from Founders' Community Academy". At the bottom, there is a call to action: "Help us build the class! We are exploring history, unpacking theology, and creating a liberating path of our own. SCAN TO TAKE THE 1-MINUTE SURVEY (Let us know your preferred times, formats, and topics!)". A QR code is located in the bottom right corner of the graphic.

**Founders Metropolitan Community Church**  
Moderator: *Bam Noriega, Assistant Pastor*

Order of Service 04-12-2026

Welcome Video

Call to Worship:

Opening Song: "Celebrate Jesus, Celebrate!"

-FMCC Praise Choir & Congregation

Opening Prayer: **Bam Noriega, Assistant Pastor**

Welcome

Announcements: **Bam Noriega, Assistant Pastor**

Passing of the Peace

Reading: **Luke 24:13-31 (The Revised Standard Version)**

Arts In Worship: "Blessed, Broken and Given"  
- Solo

Sermon: "Reclaiming Our Journey"

-**Bam Noriega, Assistant Pastor**

Response Song: "Hallelujah, Jesus Is Alive!"

-FMCC Praise Choir

Offering/Making Ministry Happen: **Patricia Wahle**

Communion:

Song of Thanksgiving: "I Love You"  
-FMCC Praise Choir & Congregation

Closing Remarks: **Bam Noriega, Assistant Pastor**

Closing Song: "My Redeemer Lives"  
-FMCC Praise Choir & Congregation

Sending Forth: **Bam Noriega, Assistant Pastor**

**Road Trip To Pentecost**

Take the experience deeper  
**Join the Study Group on Zoom**  
 (no previous experience with Bible required)  
 Tuesdays via Zoom, starting April 14, 7-8:30 pm PT  
 Meeting ID: 846 9463 1434 Passcode: 828780

**FOUNDERS QUEER COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**CLASES DE INGLES**  
 Time: 3:30pm  
 • April 19  
 • May 3, 31

**CRITICAL CHRISTIANITY**  
 Time: TBD  
 • April 22  
 • May 6, 20

Message us at [fmccsundayschool@gmail.com](mailto:fmccsundayschool@gmail.com)

**THIRD SPACE COMMUNITY COFFEE**  
 A Sanctuary for Queer Co-Working  
 FREE WIFI · \$2 BOTTOMLESS COFFEE · GET STUFF DONE

**FOUNDERS MCC**  
 4607 PROSPECT AVE., LOS FELIZ  
 Mon & Wed • 11am-3pm

**Clases de Ingles / English classes  
 Gratis / Free**

Son 3 clases / 3 classes  
 Duracion: 1 hora / Duration: 1 hour  
 Tiempo/Time: 3 30 pm  
 Fechas/Dates: 4/19/26, 5/3/26, 5/31/26

Traiga cuaderno y pluma / Bring notebook and pen

**Please R S V P**  
 Omar (818) 269- 5446  
 \*English speakers are welcome.

**ANGELS MINISTRY:** Add your name to those who have already signed up willing to be an ANGEL and help get this ministry up and running. Send an email to [care@mccla.org](mailto:care@mccla.org). If you are needing an ANGEL, please send a request to [care@mccla.org](mailto:care@mccla.org). You will be responded to with discretion



**Rapid Response Network Launches Hotline to Protect Immigrants from ICE Raids in Los Angeles, 888-624-4752**

**WHAT TO DO IF ICE COMES TO YOUR DOOR**

- DO NOT OPEN DOORS**  
ICE CANNOT COME IN WITHOUT A SIGNED WARRANT. TELL THEM TO LEAVE THE WARRANT UNDER THE DOOR BEFORE YOU OPEN.
- REMAIN SILENT**  
ICE CAN USE ANYTHING YOU SAY AGAINST YOU IN YOUR IMMIGRATION CASE. TO CLARIFY YOUR RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT.
- DO NOT SIGN**  
DO NOT SIGN ANYTHING ICE ASKES YOU WITHOUT TALKING TO AN ATTORNEY.
- REPORT THE RAID**  
CALL RAPID RESPONSE HOTLINE 888-624-4752  
TEXT PICTURES, VOICES & VIDEOS
- FIGHT BACK**  
GET A TRUSTWORTHY ATTORNEY & EXPLORE ALL OPTIONS TO FIGHT FOR YOUR CASE. PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS & WELLBEING.

# This Week at Founders MCC

**Request Rooms at**  
[foundersmcc.org/connect/calendar/](http://foundersmcc.org/connect/calendar/)  
**Call (323) 669-3434 for changes and updates**

## Sunday, April 12, 2026

8:30am AA/Sunday Morning Tropical -Theater  
 8:30am 12 Step Men's Meditation Meeting -Gandhi Room  
**10:00am Founders MCC Praise Service-Sanctuary**  
**1:30pm Servicio de Adoracion- Sanctuary**  
 4:45pm SAA 12 Step Group –Hunter Room  
 5:25pm Meditation AA (11 Steppers) –Chapel  
 8:00pm Fight Club/Basic Tools Men's Group –Ryland Rm

## Monday, April 13, 2026

8:30am 12 Step Men's Meditation Meeting – Gandhi Room  
 6:00pm Silver Lake Chorus Rehearsal -Chapel  
 7:00 pm Easier Way AA Group – Gandhi Room  
 7:30pm SPAA Group -Hunter Room  
 7:45pm Monday Night Alvarado AA -Ryland Room

## Tuesday, April 14, 2026

8:30am 12 Step Men's Meditation Meeting –Gandhi Room  
 6:15pm Overeaters Anonymous – Hunter Room  
 7:00pm Sisters of Perpetual Help -Chapel  
 7:30pm Secular AA/WE Agnostics –Gandhi Room  
 7:30pm RagTag AA – Rosa Parks Room

## Wednesday, April 15, 2026

8:30am 12 Step Men's Meditation Meeting -Gandhi Room  
**5:30pm Founders Praise Team rehearsal – Chapel**

**Tithing amount for Week Ending 04-08-2026: \$5,234.00**  
**Facility rental: \$2,973.00**  
**Helping hands: \$327.00**

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## Wednesday, April 15, 2026 (Continued)

7:15pm No Losers AA Meeting – Fellowship Hall  
 7:30pm Dark Secrets AA Newcomers Meeting –Gandhi Rm  
 8:45pm Fight Club: Men's AA Stag Meeting –Ryland Room

## Thursday, April 16, 2026

8:30am 12 Step Men's Meditation Meeting –Fellowship Hall  
 7:00pm Thursday Night NA -Ryland Room

## Friday, April 17, 2026

### **7:30am Founders Food Pantry -Truck Delivery**

8:30am 12 Step Men's Meditation Meeting –Fellowship Hall  
 6:30pm SLAA –Ryland Room  
 6:30pm Secular AA Group –Gandhi Room  
 8:00pm Stories AA Group –Chapel  
 8:00pm Super Studs Group – Gandhi Room

## Saturday, April 18, 2026

### **6:30am HopeNet Prep Time -Hunter Room**

### **7:30am HopeNet Food Pantry Distribution**

8:30am AA Men's Meditation Meeting –Gandhi Room  
 10:00am Big Book AA – Ryland Room

**Note: In the calendar section of the bulletin, the events in bold and italics are Founders MCC Events. The ones not listed in bold, and italics are 12-step groups and other events.**

## Upcoming Activities:

**April 16-** Board Meeting @6:30 via Zoom

**April 19-** English Classes @3:30 pm

**April 22-** Critical Christianity, Time: TBD

**May 01-** May Day Protest @ Mac Arthur Park

**May 05-** Spring Congregational Meeting

**May 06-** Critical Christianity, Time: TBD

**May 9th-** English Classes @3:30 pm

**May 17th-** Steps of Liberation Installment Service at Noon

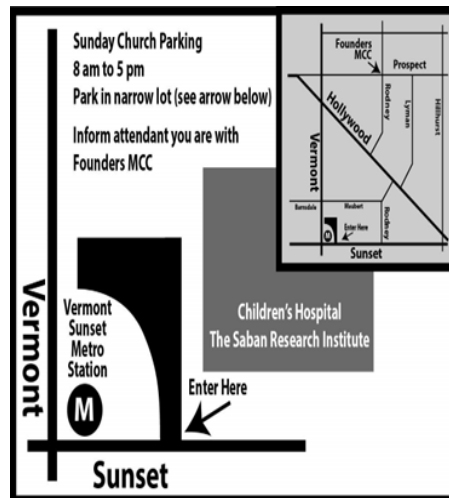
**May 20-** Critical Christianity, Time: TBD

**May 31st -** English Classes @3:30 pm

**June 5 -** Pride Night @ Dodger Stadium

**June 6 -** West Hollywood Pride

Children's Hospital has so graciously volunteered up to 10 spaces for us to park. It is a small lot off Sunset Blvd., just beyond the Metro Station entrance.



## Finding Your Way Around

