

For a child is  
born to us, a son  
is given to us.  
The government  
will rest on his  
shoulders. And  
he will be called:  
Wonderful Counselor,  
Mighty God,  
**Everlasting Father,**  
Prince of Peace.

*Isaiah 9:6*



### Volunteer Highlight: Zephyr

Meet Zephyr! While he has become a regular volunteer at Mariners, the Tree Tag lot was his first holiday serve experience. "I remember stapling a stack of stubs in various colors collected by a family of four. The children picked the gift tags carefully, and looked up and down on multiple trees. ...They all found the recipients whom they feel most passionate about. I feel joyful putting these tags on the trees, but more joy comes from seeing people take these tags. I know a tag being taken means someone will have their Christmas gift, and another one will be blessed for his or her generosity."

Want to use your gifts to serve those in our community?  
Go to [marinerschurch.org](http://marinerschurch.org) and search **serve**

### PRAYER

If you're in need of prayer, our prayer team is available at the **front of the Worship Center** after every service. To submit a prayer request online, email [prayer@marinerschurch.org](mailto:prayer@marinerschurch.org)

# WELCOME TO MARINERS CHURCH



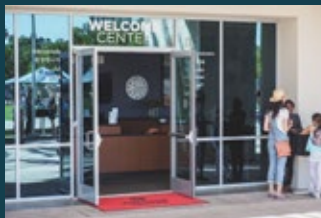
WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!



# WELCOME TO MARINERS

**We're so glad you're here!** Our mission is to inspire people to follow Jesus and fearlessly change the world. If this is your first time here, we'd love to meet you!

Visit the **Welcome Center** on the patio to find ways to get connected and opportunities to serve.



Or text **CONNECT** to 949.267.3131

## DECEMBER SERIES



HE SHALL  
BE CALLED

Jesus was given to us and for us. He is our Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father and Prince of Peace. This December, we will prepare to receive Jesus, not as a distant king of the past but a savior who comes near to us. This is a perfect time to invite others who are looking for hope and peace this Christmas. *Begins Dec 1 & 2*

Visit our website to view previous messages.

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### Christmas Gift Tags

Provide Christmas gifts to under-resourced families. Pick up your tag on the patio after service.

## MARRIAGE MATTERS

LOVE LAUGH CHILL

### Guest Speaker: Bob Goff

Join us for an evening complete with dinner, fun games, and the opportunity to meet other couples while learning how to properly pace, prioritize, and balance your marriage.

**Fri, Dec 7**

search **marriage** to register



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**everyone** at Mariners.

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MAKING  
**GENEROSITY**  
SIMPLE & SECURE

We give because God first gave to us. We invite you to experience a life of generosity by **GIVING ONLINE** at [marinerschurch.org/give](http://marinerschurch.org/give) or through the offering boxes located at the back of the Worship Center.

## EVERLASTING FATHER

*Nevertheless, that time of darkness and despair will not go on forever. The land of Zebulun and Naphtali will be humbled, but there will be a time in the future when Galilee of the Gentiles, which lies along the road that runs between the Jordan and the sea, will be filled with glory. The people who walk in darkness will see a great light. For those who live in a land of deep darkness, a light will shine. Isaiah 9:1-2*

*“You will enlarge the nation of Israel and its people will rejoice.” Isaiah 9:3*

*You will break the yoke of their slavery and lift the heavy burden from their shoulders.” Isaiah 9:4*

*For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, **Everlasting Father**, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6*

Christ is:

### 1. Forever

*In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. John 1:1-3*

I am trying here to prevent anyone saying the really foolish thing that people often say about Him: “I’m ready to accept Jesus as a great moral teacher, but I don’t accept His claim to be God.” That is the one thing we must not say. A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic—on the level with the man who says he is a poached egg—or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God: or else a madman or something worse. You can shut Him up for a fool, you can spit at Him and kill Him as a demon; or you can fall at His feet and call Him Lord and God. But let us not come with any patronizing nonsense about His being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to. ~ CS Lewis

### 2. Fatherly

*So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father’s one and only Son. John 1:14*