

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: Valerie & Izzy

Valerie (left) and Izzy (right) are high school students who have been serving with Mariners Kids for 8 years—since the 4th grade! Every Sunday they each serve a group of 10-13 second and third graders. They play and worship with them, talk about the weekly lesson and catch up on their week. “I saw how others poured out their hearts to serve kids and I wanted to be a part of that,” said Valerie. “It’s taught me how I can use the gifts God has given me, showing me how God can use me to have an impact on kids and the community.” Izzy knew the importance of being a positive role model, which is what motivated her to serve. “Serving has helped me learn how to spread God’s love in different ways. It has also helped me understand why we serve. We serve others to serve God.”

Want to use your gifts to serve those in our community?
Go to 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

WELCOME TO MARINERS CHURCH

WE’RE SO GLAD YOU’RE HERE!



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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! Here are the next steps:

- Visit the **Welcome Center** on the patio to find ways to get connected and opportunities to serve.
- Text **CONNECT** to 949.267.3131
- Attend our **New to Mariners** class to meet our pastors, learn who we are and how to get involved.
Sat, Jan 12 • 6:30p | **Sun, Jan 13** • 12:30p | **Upper Room**
Register online • search **new**



Jesus was given to us and for us. He is our Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father and Prince of Peace. Join us for one of our nine Christmas Eve services and invite a friend who needs the hope of Christmas.

Sat, Dec 22 • 5p | **Sun, Dec 23** • 9, 11a, 4 & 6p
Mon, Dec 24 • 1, 3, 5, & 7p

marinerschurch.org/christmas

A graphic for 'ANNUAL READ' showing a person's hands holding an open book. The text 'ANNUAL READ' is in white on a dark background.

**ANNUAL
READ**

\$20 including tax
Bibles available
at the bookstore

A graphic for 'Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer' featuring a cartoon reindeer in a winter landscape with trees and snow.

Rudolph
the Red
Nosed Reindeer

Movie after service
Sat, Dec 22 • 5p
Sun, Dec 23 • 6p
Community Center

A graphic for 'Holiday Serve' with a background of pine branches. The text 'Holiday Serve' is in white cursive.

**Holiday
Serve**

Volunteer with kids, our usher team and more to welcome our community during the holiday season.

search **serve**

There's something for everyone at Mariners.

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THE
Weekly

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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 or through the offering boxes located at the back of the Worship Center.

MIGHTY GOD

Christmas...two great celebrations

The Christmas promise

*The people who walk in darkness will see a **great light**...* Isaiah 9:2

*The one who is the **true light**, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world...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 1:9,14

Trust yourself

*If you do not **stand** firm in **your faith**, you will not stand at all.* Isaiah 7:9 (NIV)

Someone may say to you, "Let's ask the mediums...consult the spirits of the dead...they will tell us what to do."... Isaiah 8:19

Trust in the Mighty God

*All right then, the Lord himself will give you the sign. Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel (which means '**God is with us**').* Isaiah 7:14 (Matthew 1:22-23)

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Mighty God: divine...warrior...champion

He rescues and saves

- He became like us...sacrificial love

*The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born...You will find a **baby** ...in a manger."* Luke 2:11-12

*Though he was God...he gave up his divine privileges; he took the **humble** position of a slave and was born as a human being...* Philippians 2:6-7

- To be with us...understanding love

*"...She will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel, which means '**God is with us.**'"* Matthew 1:23

Mighty God: divine...warrior...champion

- To love us...rescuing, saving

*Through him God reconciled everything to himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on **the cross**. This includes you...* Colossians 1:20-21

*...**nothing** in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.* Romans 8:39

He fights our battles

*And we know that **God causes** everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.* Romans 8:28

*And I am certain that God, who **began** the good work within you, **will continue** his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.* Philippians 1:6

He gives us His strength

*This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a **new person**. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!* 2 Corinthians 5:17

*We know that our old sinful selves were crucified with Christ so that **sin might lose its power** in our lives. We are no longer slaves to sin.* Romans 6:6

*For **God is working** in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him.* Philippians 2:13

...The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of all the earth. He never grows weak or weary...He gives power to the weak and strength to the powerless. Isaiah 40:28,29

He fills our hearts with hope

*"**Don't let your hearts be troubled**. Trust in God, and trust also in me. There is more than enough room in my Father's home...I am going to prepare a place for you? When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am."* John 14:1-3

Our Christmas adventure

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