

I am sure of this,  
that He who  
started a good  
work in you  
will carry it on  
to completion  
until the day of  
Christ Jesus.

*Philippians 1:6*



## Volunteer Highlight: Kay

Kay understands the power of prayer. Through her involvement with our Prayer Ministry, she gets to see God at work in the lives of people who are struggling.

“When I pray for people, it’s a way of putting myself in their shoes. It’s amazing to see what the Lord does in an hour of prayer. What inspires me and gives me deep joy is that people come in heavy-hearted with something important to them and they need to hear from God. By the time they leave they are radiant with a new joy and a new hope. God does answer prayers. I love the opportunity to bring hope to someone.”

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

JAN 13

# 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! Here are your 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.

## MESSAGE SERIES



We've all heard the encouragement to become our true selves, but what does that really mean? The world says you find it by indulging your desires, but Jesus says you find your true self by looking to Him through the spiritual practices of daily obedience, prayer, worship and service.

## NEW TO MARINERS

— CLASS —

THIS WEEKEND

**Sat, Jan 12 • 6:30p**

**Sun, Jan 13 • 12:30p**

**Upper Room**

Learn more about our Mariners family and how you can get connected.

ALL WOMEN'S GATHERING



Connect with Mariners Women and find encouragement through stories and community.

**Thu, Jan 17 • 7-9p**

search **awaken**



## ROOTED

**Sundays • 11a-1p • begins Jan 20**

**Wednesdays • 6:30-8:30p • begins Jan 23**

Rooted provides the opportunity to connect with God, the church community and your purpose in unexpected, life-changing ways

search **rooted**

There's something for **everyone** at Mariners.

Visit [marinerschurch.org](https://marinerschurch.org) for info on all our events

Sign up online to stay in the loop with our email newsletter

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# 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](https://marinerschurch.org/give) or through the offering boxes located at the back of the Worship Center.

## LIFE IN COMMUNITY

PHILIPPIANS 1:3-11

### Paul's prayer

*I give thanks to my God for every remembrance of you, always praying with joy for all of you in my every prayer, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. I am sure of this, that **he who started a good work in you will carry it on to completion** until the day of Christ Jesus. Philippians 1:3-6*

Our community with one another consists solely in what Christ has done to both of us. –Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Life Together

### Christ forms true community

*Indeed, it is right for me to think this way about all of you, because I have you in my heart, and **you are all partners with me in grace**, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how deeply I miss all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. Philippians 1:7-8*

κοινωνία koinonia = participation, communion, fellowship  
*...we who are many are one body in Christ and individually members of one another. Romans 12:5*

*... **partnership** in the gospel from the first day until now. Philippians 1:5*

The Christ in his own heart is weaker than the Christ in the word of his brother; his own heart uncertain, his brother's sure. –Dietrich Bonhoeffer

## Becoming you through love

*And I pray this: that **your love will keep on growing** in knowledge and every kind of discernment, so that you may approve the things that are superior and may be pure and blameless in the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ to the glory and praise of God. Philippians 1:9-11*

### God's love

*God is love, and the one who remains in love remains in God, and God remains in him. In this, **love is made complete with us**... We love because he first loved us. 1 John 4:16-19*

*...you yourselves are **taught by God to love** one another.*

1 Thessalonians 4:9

Human love makes itself and end in itself...an idol which it worships...  
Spiritual love, however, comes from Jesus Christ, it serves him alone.  
–Dietrich Bonhoeffer

### One-another love

*"I give you a new command: Love one another. Just **as I have loved you**, you are also to **love one another**. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:34-35*

Contrary to all my own opinions and convictions, Jesus Christ will tell me what love toward the brethren really is. – Dietrich Bonhoeffer

*Therefore accept one another, just as Christ also accepted you, **to the glory of God**. Romans 15:7*

The physical presence of other Christians is a source of incompatible joy and strength to the believer. –Dietrich Bonhoeffer