

Welcome

## Giving

We give as a part of our worship because God first gave to us. If you would like to give, offering boxes are located at the exits.

To give online, visit [marinerschurch.org](http://marinerschurch.org) search **give**

## HOW WILL YOU CHOOSE TO CELEBRATE DIFFERENT?



### GIVE

Take a tag from the tree lot on the lawn to purchase a gift for a child in need, or give financially online by visiting [marinerschurch.org](http://marinerschurch.org) search **celebrate**



### SERVE

Give the gift of time and join us at one of our many serve events to care for our community. See the options and sign-up at [marinerschurch.org](http://marinerschurch.org) search **celebrate**



### SHARE

Share the best of what God's given you and help us restock the new Resource Center and Food Pantry! Grab a red food bag on the patio with the list of needed items.

### CAMPAIGN DETAILS

Outreach ministries are funded above and beyond the church's operating budget thanks to the sacrificial giving of the people of Mariners Church. When you give to **Celebrate Different**, you are helping to fund our annual Outreach initiatives to care for our neighbors (locally and globally) and help their communities flourish.

WELCOME TO

celebrate  
DIFFERENT



MARINERSCHURCH

weekend services Sat 5p, Sun 9 & 11a



[marinerschurch.org](http://marinerschurch.org)



NOV 4 & 5

## WELCOME TO MARINERS CHURCH,

we're so glad you're here! If you're new and looking for your next step, fill out the connect card or visit us at the **WELCOME CENTER** on the patio.

## WHAT IS CELEBRATE DIFFERENT?

It's a celebration that Jesus came to our world and shared the most sacred parts of His life with us. In light of this, we respond by displaying the **heart of Jesus through generosity.**



Because of your generosity, 77 students are currently attending high school in Mexico. To date, you've sponsored 388 students to **provide a life-changing education.** Of these, 20 graduated high school this year and 16 went on to college.

Educational sponsorships are just a part of the good your generosity facilitates. When you **GIVE** through Celebrate Different, individual lives are changed in profound ways.

What would it look like if all the kids in foster care in Orange County **knew that they were loved** and cared for? After experiencing the love of God's people, these 3,000 kids could change the world!

With your help, we can make a HUGE impact on statistics like these. Take a step to bring hope and fun to foster youth, military families, international students and others by serving at our annual **Celebrate Different Christmas parties** and other Outreach opportunities.



Every month, thousands of people shop in our Resource Center that is stocked when you **SHARE** your best. Your generosity results in stories of life change for shoppers and volunteers like Jake.

Jake started volunteering a year ago, and at first, he really struggled. His autism affected what he was able to do, but through serving, he's gained confidence and found his unique skills.

- Share your best:**
- Gently used clothing
  - Small home decor items
  - Jewelry/boutique items
  - Non-perishable food

## CONTACT *Card*

Please bring this card to the Welcome Center on the patio or drop it in an offering box. You can fill out a Connect Card online at [marinerschurch.org/connect](http://marinerschurch.org/connect)

- I'm **new to Mariners**
- I've **decided to follow Jesus** today
- I'd like to receive **The Compass** e-news
- I have some **general questions**

name

email

phone (optional)

comments

## KINDNESS OF THE KING

### Desperate for kindness

The king then asked him, “Is anyone still alive from Saul’s family?”... Ziba replied, “Yes, one of Jonathan’s sons is still alive. **He is crippled in both feet.**” “Where is he?” the king asked. “**In Lo-debar**”... 2 Samuel 9:3-4a

### Unexpected kindness

“**Don’t be afraid!**” David said. “**I intend to show kindness to you...**”  
2 Samuel 9:7a

#### Restored inheritance

“...I will give you all the property that once belonged to your grandfather Saul...” 2 Samuel 9:7b

#### Restored identity

“...and you will eat here with me at the king’s table!” 2 Samuel 9:7c

### Undeserved kindness

**He is so rich in kindness** and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins. He **has showered his kindness on us**, along with all wisdom and understanding. Ephesians 1:7-8

#### Restored inheritance

Furthermore, because we are united with Christ, we have received an inheritance from God... Ephesians 1:11a

### Undeserved kindness (continued)

#### Restored identity

...And when you believed in Christ, he identified you as his own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom he promised long ago. The Spirit is God’s guarantee that he will give us the inheritance he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people... Ephesians 1:13b-14

### Demonstrating kindness

“You’ve said enough,” David replied. “I’ve decided that you and Ziba will divide your land equally between you.” “Give him all of it,” Mephibosheth said. “I am content just to have you safely back again, my lord the king!” 2 Samuel 19:29-30

David - no questions, no judgement

Mephibosheth - no bitterness, no blame

**The king then asked him, “Is anyone still alive from Saul’s family? If so, I want to show God’s kindness to them.”**  
2 Samuel 9:3