

*Order of Worship*  
**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
9:30 am – August 29, 2021

**Watching Live?**  
*Text your prayer requests to 805-309-6867 before the end of the first hymn.*

**PRELUDE** *Trumpet Tune* by Alfred Hollins  
Tyler Carlisle, organist

**WELCOME** Pastors

**HYMN** *God, Whose Love Is Reigning O'er Us* UMH 100  
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God, whose love is reigning o'er us, source of all, the ending true; hear the universal chorus  
raised in joyful praise to you: Alleluia, Alleluia, worship ancient, worship new.

Word of God from nature bringing springtime green and autumn gold; mountain streams  
like children singing, ocean waves like thunder bold: Alleluia, Alleluia, as creation's tale is told.

Holy God of ancient glory, choosing man and woman, too; Abram's faith and Sarah's story  
formed a people bound to you. Alleluia, Alleluia, to your covenant keep us true.

Covenant, new again in Jesus, Star-child born to set us free; sent to heal us, sent to teach us,  
how love's children we might be. Alleluia, Alleluia, risen Christ, our Savior he!

Lift we then our human voices in the songs that faith would bring; live we then in human choices  
lives that, like our music, sing: Alleluia, Alleluia, joined in love our praises ring!

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive) Bob & Kathy Fierro

Come, let us praise God together! Blessed are we who place our trust in the Lord our God.

**For our God is the Maker of the heavens, the earth, the sea, and everything that lives within them;**

Our God keeps every promise and remains faithful forever.

**Our God gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who are starving.**

Our God frees the prisoners, opens the eyes of the blind, and lifts the burdens of those who are overwhelmed.

**Our God cherishes those who do what is right, protects the immigrants,  
cares for the orphans and widows, but frustrates the plans of the wicked.**

Our God reigns—today, tomorrow and forever.

**Praise the Lord, the Giver of all good gifts!**

(Based on Psalm 146)

**HYMN** *Shine, Jesus, Shine* TFWS 2173

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**Refrain:** Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory, blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire;  
flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy, send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

Lord the light of Your love is shining in the midst of the darkness shining; Jesus, Light of the world,  
shine upon us, set us free by the truth You now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me. **(Refrain)**

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence from the shadows into Your radiance; by the blood I may enter  
Your brightness, search me, try me, consume all my darkness. Shine on me, shine on me. **(Refrain)**

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness, so our faces display Your likeness; ever changing from  
glory to glory, mirrored here may our lives tell Your story. Shine on me, shine on me. **(Refrain)**

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those  
who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the  
kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*Draw Thou My Soul*  
Dianna Burdick, vocalist / Tyler Carlisle, organist

by Janet Sanborn

**SCRIPTURE**

*James 1: 17-27*  
The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Bob & Kathy Fierro

**MESSAGE**

*Faith Works*

Pastors

**OFFERTORY PRAYER (unison)**

**God of light, every generous act of giving and every perfect gift is from you. As you gave birth to your word of truth, that we might bear the first fruit of your Spirit, may our offerings be evidence of this harvest, to testify to your glory. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.** (Rev. Dr. Mary Scifres, ©2021)

**HYMN**

*Take My Life, and Let It Be*  
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1. Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise. Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.
2. Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee. Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.
3. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne. Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store. Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Hymn Tune Finlandia*  
Tyler Carlisle, organ

by Sibelius

***Prayer Requests:***

West Hills: Canoga Park First UMC — Pastor Lynn Westover

Glendale: Grace Korean UMC — Pastor Jin Ho Han

Pauline Wells — hospitalized after a stroke

Family and friends of Renee Owens Rueda , who passed away this week

Phil & Em Swift — Phil's brother Jeff passed away

**HOMECOMING**  
*Sunday*  
**SEPTEMBER 12**

9:30am Worship | 10:45am Introduction to The New Organ with Tyler Carlisle

Followed with

*Refreshments & Ministry fair*

Games, activities, and inflatable play structures will be outside in the courtyard and parking lot!