

Lacey Presbyterian Church

October 25, 2020 10:00 a.m. Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor Shari Monson

Call to Worship based on Hebrews 12:1-2, NRSV

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, Let us also lay aside every weight, and the sin that clings so closely. And let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, Looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. Amen.

A Song of Praise "Way Maker"

You are here moving in our midst I worship You I worship You You are here working in this place I worship You I worship You

You are here moving in our midst I worship You I worship You You are here working in this place I worship You I worship You

Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper Light in the darkness my God that is who You are Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

You are here touching ev'ry heart I worship You I worship You You are here healing ev'ry heart I worship You I worship You Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper Light in the darkness my God that is who You are Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

Even when I don't see it You're working Even when I don't feel it You're working You never stop You never stop working You never stop You never stop working

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Call to Confession based on Romans 8:39

Vonnie Tallon

We know that nothing is able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ. Let us in freedom confess the wrong we have done.

Prayer of Confession

Reforming God, we give you thanks for your forgiveness and your blessing. We pray for ourselves and your church throughout the world.

Fill us with a spirit of openness to your Spirit, to hear and receive your promises and to keep our covenant with vou.

Where we are corrupt, **purify us.** Where we are in error, **direct us.** Where we are in need, provide for us. Where we are divided, reunite us. And where we are close-minded, reform us and make us new. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Sharing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

Young Disciples

Stewardship in Real Life: Lindy's Story

Scripture Reading 1 Timothy 6:17-19

¹⁷Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. ¹⁹In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Message

"How to Be Rich"

Reflection Questions

In what way am I / my family putting our hope in wealth? In what way might our church need to adjust our practice of stewardship?

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

God you are our safe place to hide. You are our mighty fortress. You are our ever present help in time of need. We can and do turn to you in the midst of our troubles. And Lord, this day, our world is full of difficulties. Your love and grace are like streams of water in the desert. Your joy comes splashing down upon us. Your refresh and renew us like rain coming down on the earth. Bring your water of life to those who are thirsty and living in a dry and weary land. Where there is despair, bring your hope. Where there is animosity, bring your reconciliation. Where there is abuse, bring your tender mercies. Where there is poverty, bring your charity. Where there is illness, bring your healing. Where there is grief, bring your gentleness. Where there is injustice, bring your justice. Lord you are mighty fortress, our strong deliverer. In you we put our trust. Praying as your Son Jesus taught us, saying,

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

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Christy Sumner

Lindy Carlson

Sending Song "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

A mighty fortress is our God A bulwark never failing Our helper He amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe His craft and pow'r are great And armed with cruel hate On earth is not his equal And tho' this world with devils filled Should threaten to undo us We will not fear for God hath willed His truth to triumph thru us The prince of darkness grim We tremble not for him His rage we can endure For lo his doom is sure One little word shall fell him That word above all earthly pow'rs No thanks to them abideth The Spirit and the gifts are ours Thru Him who with us sideth Let goods and kindred go This mortal life also The body they may kill God's truth abideth still His kingdom is forever

Closing Prayer of Praise for Reformation Sunday

Adapted from the liturgy of the Reformed Church in Mar del Plata (a coastal city in Argentina). Published by World Alliance of Reformed Churches.

We praise and bless you, God of Life.

Bless us with your presence each day of our lives.

We have seen you and have felt your presence in the history of your people.

God, be present in our history, in our communities and be part of our lives.

With love and mercy, you have cared, led, inspired and sustained your daughters and sons in all generations.

Shine within us, inspire us, use us to make visible your peace, justice and truth.

You, who are holy for all eternity sanctify our lives with your blessing. AMEN

Invitations and Benediction

Next Sunday, November 1, join us online at 10:00 a.m. for livestream worship service. Following worship, stop by LPC at **11:30 - Noon** for drive-in stations where you can receive communion and drop off offering and pledge cards.

Zoom Fellowship Gathering today, 11:00 a.m.

Join us in the main Zoom Fellowship Room to share what is going on in your lives and to see church friends. Pastor Shari will be in the Zoom Sermon Room for those who want to discuss today's sermon & reflection questions. You may choose either room once you have logged in, and switch back & forth as desired.

To join Zoom Fellowship Time click: <u>launch meeting</u>.

Or Join Zoom Fellowship at zoom.us/join using this link with ID and Password: Meeting ID: 864 4095 7448 Passcode: 929352

If you have any questions please contact the church office, Mary Telford or Mary Crooks.

Changes to Our Online Giving Platform

The LPC Finance Committee thanks all of you who have been using Faithlife Giving in order to make online donations to the church. We hope you will continue with online giving in the future. Moving forward, LPC has determined that a change was needed to better address our needs. To that end it was decided to discontinue Faith Life and use a program called **Subsplash**.

If your giving is set up as recurring in Faithlife, you will need to cancel your giving by October 31, 2020. Subsplash is available now and can be accessed through the LPC website's online giving page: <u>https://laceypresbyterianchurch.snappages.site/give</u>

It is also possible to access Subsplash using a cell phone app.

Again, thank you for using online giving and we hope you will continue to do so in the future.



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