


Laguna Niguel Presbyterian C H U R C H



*And all of us, with veiled faces,
seeing the glory of the Lord
as though reflected in a mirror,
are being transformed into the same
image from one degree of the glory
to another; for this comes from the
Lord, the Spirit.*

2 Corinthians 3: 18

Sunday, August 25, 2024

Please silence your cell phone

Prelude

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above
Arr. by Steve Martin
Suk Choi, Organist

Hymns of Praise
(please stand if able)

Praise Him Forever
Chris Tomlin, Jonathan Smith, & Phil Wickham
Lee Lee Truong-Sawicki, Worship Leader
Sho Fujieda, Drums

Welcome

Pastor Jim

*Praise Him, you stars above,
Galaxies all in motion.
Praise Him, you thunderclouds,
Ringing throughout the heavens.*

*Oh, sing praise,
Let ev'rything that breathes,
Let all the earth proclaim,
Great is the Lord our God.
Praise Him forever!*

Call to Worship

*From ev'ry mountaintop
To ev'ry wild ocean,
Oh, hear all the universe
Sing praise.*

*Let all that is within me
Magnify His name.
Great is the Lord our God.
Praise Him forever!*

Leader: O God, you have searched me and known me.

*Oh, sing praise,
Let ev'rything that breathes,
Let all the earth proclaim,
Great is the Lord our God.
Praise Him forever!*

*Hear the holy roar.
Hear this anthem rise.
In the house of God,
All creation cries.*

People: *You know when we sit down and when we rise up.*

Leader: You discern my thoughts from far away.

*Let all that is within me
Magnify His name.
Great is the Lord our God.
Praise Him forever!*

*Hear the holy roar.
Hear this anthem rise.
In the house of God,
All creation cries.*

People: *You search out our paths and our lying down.*

Leader: You are acquainted with all our ways.

*Praise Him, you beating hearts,
Sing for the life He's given.
Praise Him, you rescued ones,
Join in the sound of heaven.*

*Oh, sing praise,
Let ev'rything that breathes,
Let all the earth proclaim,
Great is the Lord our God.
Praise Him forever!*

People: *Such knowledge is too wonderful for us.*

Leader: Let us worship this morning an awesome God.

*From ev'ry mountaintop
To ev'ry wild ocean,
Oh, hear all the universe
Sing praise.*

*Let all that is within me
Magnify His name.
Great is the Lord our God.
Praise Him forever!*

Opening Prayer

God of abundance and mercy, we acknowledge your presence among us today. Open our eyes to see the path before us. Deepen our faith to walk with you upon this path. Strengthen our hearts with courage to embark on the journey. Enlarge our hearts with gratitude for your provision along the way. Teach us these things today, O God. In Jesus' name. Amen.

*Praise Him forever!
Praise Him forever!*

Build Your Kingdom Here

Chris Llewellyn, Gareth Gilkeson, & William Herron

*Come set Your rule and reign
In our hearts again.
Increase in us we pray.
Unveil why we're made.*

*Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r.
Reaching the near and far.
No force of hell can stop
Your beauty, changing hearts.*

*Come set our hearts ablaze with hope,
Like wildfire in our very souls;
Holy Spirit, come, revive us now.
We are Your church;
We need Your pow'r in us.*

*You made us for much more than this;
Awake the kingdom seed in us.
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ.
We are Your church;
We are the hope on earth.*

*We seek Your kingdom first.
We hunger and we thirst;
Refuse to waste our lives,
For You're our joy and prize.*

*Build Your kingdom here.
Let the darkness fear.
Show Your mighty hand.
Heal our streets and land.*

*To see the captives' hearts released;
The hurt, the sick, the poor at peace.
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause.
We are Your church;
We pray, revive this earth.*

*Set Your church on fire.
Win this nation back.
Change the atmosphere.
Build Your kingdom here,
We pray!*

*Build Your kingdom here.
Let the darkness fear.
Show Your mighty hand.
Heal our streets and land.*

*Build Your kingdom here.
Let the darkness fear.
Show Your mighty hand.
Heal our streets and land.*

*Set Your church on fire.
Win this nation back.
Change the atmosphere.
Build Your kingdom here,
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Prayer of Confession

Mark Imfeld

Righteous God, we confess with sorrow that we often forget who has given us light, who has made our garden grow with waters of love. We forget your living word and move off your paths to serve our own worldly desires. We leave your cultivated field to venture out into the wilderness on our own. We quarrel with one another trying to decide "who is the greatest." We make our own faces the benchmark for all faces. Help us to remember Jesus, reconciling the whole world in himself. Confident in God's mercy and love, we confess those times and places where we have disappointed God from the silence of our hearts.

Silent Prayer

Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Response of Thanksgiving

(please stand if able)

Gloria Patri

Carol Stocksdale, Hymn Singer

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.*

Passing of the Joy & Peace of Christ

Pastor Sara

Message for Young Disciples

Carolea Williams

Children's Prayer Song

*God is always near me,
God will always hear me,
When I pray.*

First Scripture Lesson

2 Corinthians 3: 18
Pew Bible p. 180

¹⁸ And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Hymn of Preparation

(please stand if able)

*Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.*

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
Charles Wesley
#558 (vv. 1, 4)

*Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in thee:
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.*

Second Scripture Lesson

Romans 12: 1 - 2
Pew Bible pp. 161 - 162

¹ I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.
² Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Sermon

Good News: We Are Transformed!

Time of Reflection

Blessing of Our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

Blessed Assurance
Phoebe P. Knapp

Pastoral Prayer and The 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn of Response

(please stand if able)

Trust and Obey
John H. Sammis
#523 (vv. 1, 4)

*When we walk with the Lord
In the light of his Word,
What a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will,
He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.*

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

*Then in fellowship sweet
We will sit at his feet,
Or we'll walk by his side in the way;
What he says we will do,
Where he sends we will go—
Never fear, only trust and obey.*

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

Charge and Benediction

(please remain standing)

Chorale Response

Prayer for the Road

*May we be blessed as we go on our way.
May we be kept in safety and love.
May grace and compassion find their way to every soul,
May this be our blessing Amen.
Amen, Amen.
May this be our blessing, Amen.
Amen, Amen.
May this be our blessing, Amen.*

[In consideration of our live stream, please be seated until after the Postlude is over before exiting the Sanctuary. Thank you.]

Postlude

Come, Thou Almighty King
Felice de Giardini

Today's Chancel flowers are given by Jim and Becky Szeyller
in celebration of their daughter Kristie's birthday.

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Prayer Concerns

LNPC Members

Steve Foster
Jody Fristoe-Schnitzer
Mary Gay
C.M. Hourigan
Linda Klein
Pat Kun
Nancy LeBlanc
Richard Odgers
Ron Pearce
Louanna Robeson
Kathleen Roebuck
Linda Schmidt
Karen Vassey

Peace & Comfort

Family of Doris Black
*Family of Claire Burrill**
The Carpenter Family (Jane & Hal)
Jaime & Lani Colley and Family (Jaime's Father)
Family of Marilyn Campman
Carolyn Ditto & Family (Husband)
Family of Jim McCurdy
Brian Mangan & Family (Wife)
Cecil Spearman & Family (Son)

Sistie Stevens & Family (Husband)
Sandy & Bob Walden (Sandy's Sister)

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Announcements



Nursery Care - Sanctuary

Nursery Care is currently not available.

Children Potty-trained through 5th Grade

Worship is attended as a family until after the Children's Message. Then, our young children will be excused to go with their teachers to the Sunday School classroom located in the hallway off the Narthex.

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Noteworthy News

- ◆ **Fall is Just Around the Corner:** Be sure to join us on the patio after Worship on Sunday, September 8th, for our annual Fall Kick-Off Rally. Enjoy some refreshments and discover what LNPC has to offer this fall.
- ◆ **Spirit of Aloha:** Join us for an evening of fellowship, food, entertainment, and an auction in support of the ministry and mission of LNPC on Saturday, October 5th, from 5:00 - 9:00 pm, at the home of Dora & Ben Pasco in Laguna Niguel. Tickets are available online or on the patio after Worship. Please contact John Flannery or Carolyn Knutson if you wish to donate items for the silent and/or live auctions.
- ◆ **Worship & Music Refocus Retreat:** Saturday, September 14th, 8:30 am - 1:00 pm, in the Sanctuary and Gard Hall. Open to all interested in joining LNPC's Worship & Music Ministry. Join us for our retreat as we sharpen our focus for fall and beyond. Light snacks and lunch will be provided. Register on the app or at lnpc.org.
- ◆ **Women's Kick Off Breakfast & Study:** Saturday, September 21st, 8:30 - 10:30 am in Gard Hall. Enjoy a light breakfast, fellowship, music, and the introduction to our study by Max Lucado, "Before Amen, The Power of Simple Prayer." Please register on the app or at lnpc.org.
- ◆ **Men's Frisbee Golf Challenge:** Saturday, September 21st. Meet at LNPC at 9:00 am and we will carpool to the Frisbee Golf Course. Invite a friend - All abilities welcome! Register on the app or at lnpc.org.
- ◆ **OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY,** Monday, September 2nd.

THIS WEEK at LNPC

August 25	SUNDAY	August 28	WEDNESDAY
10:00 am	Sunday Worship Sanctuary / Livestream	6:00 pm	AA Mixed Gard B
11:15 am	Adult Ministry Christian Ed. Room	August 29	THURSDAY
2:00 pm	Sea Country Festival Off Site	1:00 pm	FAM Food Distribution LNPC Parking Lot
4:00 pm	The Journey Gard A	6:30 pm	Vocal Rehearsal Sanctuary
August 26	MONDAY	August 30	FRIDAY
7:00 am	AA Men's Gard B	7:00 am	AA Men's Gard B
10:30 am	AA Women's Gard B	7:00 am	AA Women's Gard C
1:00 pm	Staff Meeting Conference Room	Sept 1	SUNDAY
6:00 pm	Session Conference Room	10:00 am	Sunday Worship Sanctuary / Livestream
6:30 pm	Col. de Cap. HOA Conference Room	11:15 am	Men's Ministry Conference Room
8:00 pm	AA Mixed Gard B	11:15 am	Missions Gard A
August 27	TUESDAY	11:15 am	Spirit of Aloha Mtg. Gard C
9:30 am	Al-Anon Mixed Gard B	4:00 pm	The Journey Gard A

Prayer Concerns

Family & Friends (Church Contact)

Linda Anderson (Stocksdale)	Mike Fair	Carolyn Strick (Troester)
Judy Beattie (Gay)	Lena Grassmeyer (Imfeld)	Michael Summers (Troester)
Natalia Bergman (Wright)	Connie Hutchinson	Baby Taff (Parry)
Bud Boyd (Johnson)	(Nunnikhoven)	Bob Whitman (Knutson)
Mick Buchanan (Borg)	Lucy Marechal	Wilson Family (Coleman)
Dan Chambers (Hampsten)	Don McBurney (Arter)	
Annie Coleman (Coleman)	Carol Roane (Troester)	
Rene Darnel (Ransdale)	Megan Shelton (Shelton)	

*(*New addition - Names will appear for 3 months unless otherwise specified by those who submit the prayer request.)*

**To submit a prayer request or notify us that one can be removed:
office@lnpc.org or 949.249.1218**