

# Laguna Niguel Presbyterian C H U R C H

He said to them, " Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself.



Touch and see;...  
Have you anything  
here to eat?"

LUKE 24: 38 - 39a, 41b

## Communion Sunday April 14, 2024

Please silence your cell phone

**Prelude**

*O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*  
Carl Glaser  
Suk Choi, Organist

**Hymns of Praise**  
(please stand if able)

**You'll Come**  
Brooke Ligertwood  
Logan Altman, Worship Leader  
Sho Fujieda, Drums

**Welcome**

Pastor Sara

*I have decided I have resolved  
To wait upon You Lord  
My Rock and Redeemer shield and reward  
I'll wait upon You Lord*

*As surely as the sun will rise  
You'll come to us  
Certain as the dawn appears*

*You'll come let Your glory fall  
As You respond to us  
Spirit rain  
Flood into our thirsty hearts again  
You'll come You'll come*

*We are not shaken we are not moved  
We wait upon You Lord  
Mighty deliverer triumph and truth  
We wait upon You Lord*

*As surely as the sun will rise  
You'll come to us  
Certain as Your word endures*

*You'll come let Your glory fall  
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**Call to Worship**

Leader: Turn to Christ,

People: *who calls us here.*

Leader: Place your trust in God,

People: *who protects our lives.*

Leader: Lean into the Spirit

People: *as we worship in Spirit and truth.*

**Opening Prayer**

God of miracles and truth, bless us, as we gather for worship, with the power of your Holy Spirit. Reveal your presence in our midst and open our hearts and minds to receive your miraculous love. Strengthen our faith this day, that we may go forth as witnesses of your miraculous love. Amen.

*Let God Arise*  
Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, & Jesse Reeves

*Hear the holy roar of God resound  
Watch the waters part before us now  
Come and see what He has done for us  
Tell the world of His great love*

*Our God is a God who saves  
Our God is a God who saves*

*Let God arise  
Let God arise  
Our God reigns now and forever  
He reigns now and forever*

*His enemies will run for sure  
The Church will stand she will endure  
He holds the keys of life our Lord  
Death has no sting no final word*

*Our God is a God who saves  
Our God is a God who saves*

*Let God arise  
Let God arise*

**Prayer of Confession**

Susie Hess

*Answer us, O God, as we turn to you for mercy and strength. Listen to the yearnings of our hearts and the regrets of our lives. Comfort us in our distress and pour your grace into our lives. Redeem us with your love, that we might rise with Christ, newborn and vibrantly alive. Grant us the confidence to witness to your life-giving love.*

Silent Prayer

*Amen.*

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

**Response of Thanksgiving**  
(please stand if able)

*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.*

**Gloria Patri**

**Passing of the Joy & Peace of Christ**

**Message for Young Disciples**

**Children's Prayer Song**

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

## First Scripture Reading

**1 John 3: 1 - 7**  
Sydney Malone  
Pew Bible p. 240

<sup>1</sup> See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup> And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. <sup>4</sup> Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup> You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup> No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup> Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

## Hymn of Preparation

(please stand if able)

***Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak***  
Francis Havergal  
#574 (vv. 1, 3)

*Lord, speak to me that I may speak  
In living echoes of your tone;  
As you have sought, so let me seek  
Your wandering children, lost, alone.*

*O teach me, Lord, that I may teach  
The precious things which you impart;  
And wing my words, that they may reach  
The hidden depths of many a heart.*

## Second Scripture Reading

**Luke 24: 36b - 48**  
Pew Bible p. 91

<sup>36b</sup> Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." <sup>37</sup> They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup> He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup> Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." <sup>40</sup> And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup> While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" <sup>42</sup> They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup> and he took it and ate in

their presence. <sup>44</sup> Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." <sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup> and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup> and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things.

## Sermon

***Touch and See***

## Time of Reflection

## Blessing of Our Tithes and Offerings

## Offertory

***In Remembrance of Me***  
Beryl Red  
LNPC Chancel Choir

In remembrance of me, eat this bread.  
In remembrance of me, drink this wine.  
In remembrance of me,  
Pray for the time when God's own will is done.

In remembrance of me, heal the sick.  
In remembrance of me, feed the poor.  
In remembrance of me,  
Open the door and let your brother in.  
Let him in.

Take, eat, and be comforted,  
Drink and remember, too,  
That this is my body  
And precious blood,  
Shed for you, shed for you.

In remembrance of me, search for truth.  
In remembrance of me, always love.  
In remembrance of me,  
Don't look above, but in your heart,  
In your heart.  
Look in your heart for God.

Do this in remembrance of me.  
Do this in remembrance of me.  
In remembrance of me.

## The Sacrament of Holy Communion

**The Invitation** (Bread is gluten-free.)

**The Prayer of Consecration**

**The Celebration of Communion**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving 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)

***Because He Lives***  
Gloria Gaither and William Gaither  
#238

*God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus;  
He came to love, heal, and forgive.  
He lived and died to buy my pardon;  
An empty grave is there to prove  
My Savior lives.*

*Because he lives I can face tomorrow;  
Because he lives all fear is gone;  
Because I know he holds the future,  
And life is worth the living just because he lives.*

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## Charge and Benediction

**Choral 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**

***A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing***  
Arr. by Gilbert Martin

*Today's Chancel flowers are given by Tom and Carol Stocksdale  
in honor of our Risen Lord.*

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## Prayer Concerns

### LNPC Members

Claire Burrill  
Joe and Carolyn Ditto  
John Flannery  
Steve Foster  
C.M. Hourigan  
Joanne Jannard  
Kathleen Lechner  
Richard Odgers  
Ron Pearce  
Louanne Robeson  
Kathleen Roebuck  
Linda Schmidt

Jody Schnitzer  
Karen Vassey

### Peace & Comfort

Farnaz Achak & Family (Father-in-Law)  
Family of Doris Black  
Kari and Carl Borg and the Borg Family (Kari's Father)  
The Carpenter Family (Jane & Hal)

Jaime & Lani Colley and Family (Jaime's Father)  
Family of Marilyn Campman  
Family of Jim McCurdy  
Brian Mangan & Family (Wife)  
Cecil Spearman & Family (Wife)  
Sistie Stevens and Family (Husband)  
Sandy & Bob Walden (Sandy's Sister)

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Sunday, April 14, 2024  
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

- ◆ **The Pastor's Bible Study** resumes this Tuesday morning at 10:30 am in the Conference Room.
- ◆ **The Chosen, Season 4:** Beginning Wednesday, April 17th, at 7:00 pm in Gard A. Join us as we watch together this captivating television series that brings the Gospel story alive. Engage in wonderful faith conversation and reflection while enjoying some light refreshments.
- ◆ **Women's Ministry Train Trip:** All Aboard, Ladies! Saturday, April 20th, 8:30 am - 3:00 pm. We'll take the train from San Juan Capistrano to Union Station in LA and enjoy a delicious lunch at Philippe's, famous for their French Dip sandwiches (and their desserts aren't too bad either!). After lunch we'll take a step back in time and stroll down Olvera Street. Please register on the church app or at LNPC.org.
- ◆ **Red Cross Blood Drive: Next** Sunday, April 21st in Gard A, 7:30 am to 1:30 pm. *Give from the Heart* and use the church app, go to [www.lnpc.org](http://www.lnpc.org), or call the church office to schedule your appointment today!
- ◆ **Congregational Meeting:** Sunday, April 21st, immediately following the worship service. We are meeting for the purpose of electing a nominating committee. This meeting will be livestreamed.
- ◆ **Request for Docketed Time:** Please contact Pastor Jim if you would like to present something at the next Session meeting on Monday, April 22nd, at 6:00 pm, in the Work Room.

## THIS WEEK at LNPC

April 14	SUNDAY	April 18	THURSDAY
10:00 am	Communion Sunday Sanctuary / Livestream	4:00 pm	Holy Yoga Chair Gard C
11:00 am	Potluck & BINGO! Gard A	5:00 pm	Holy Yoga Gard C
4:00 pm	The Journey Gard A	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary
6:00 pm	Youth Group The Garage		
April 15	MONDAY	April 19	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	10:30 am	AA Women's Gard C
1:00 pm	Staff Meeting Conference Rm.	1:00 pm	Canasta Gard A
6:00 pm	Finance & Ops Conference Room	4:00 pm	D.P. Symphony Orch. Sanctuary
8:00 pm	AA Mixed Gard B		
April 16	TUESDAY	April 20	SATURDAY
9:30 am	Al-Anon Mixed Gard B	8:30 am	Women's Train Trip SJC Train Depot
10:30 am	Pastor's Bible Study Conference Room		
5:00 pm	Holy Yoga Gard C		
April 17	WEDNESDAY	April 21	SUNDAY
6:00 pm	AA Mixed Gard B	7:30 am	Blood Drive Gard A
7:00 pm	The Chosen Gard A	10:00 am	Sunday Worship Sanctuary / Livestream
		11:00 am	Congregational Mtg. Sanctuary / Livestream
		4:00 pm	The Journey Gard A
		6:00 pm	Youth Group The Garage

# Prayer Concerns

## Family & Friends (Church Contact)

Claro Alfonso (Imfeld)	Mike Moore (Flannery)	Dr. Mark Watters Family (Troester)
Linda Anderson* (Stocksdale)	Samia Najm (Wakim)	Ted Wells (Wells)
Judy Baker (Baker)	Marie Neis (Borg)	Wilson Family (Coleman)
Natalia Bergman (Wright)	Ann Oliphant (Galloway)	
Annie Coleman (Coleman)	John Osth (Khalifa)	
Gary Fong (Ehlers)	Linda Parker (Troester)	
Mike & Kathy Gessner (Galloway)	Maryann Pette (Shelton)	
Sandy Griffin (Stocksdale)	Cindy Rhoades (Baker)	
Sherry Kerner (Ehlers)	Megan Shelton (Shelton)	
Amy Lechner Bolls (Lechner)	Amy Sinkeldam (Ehlers)	
Rossana Madrid (Ondryas)	Kyoko Smith (Wright)	
Don McBurney (Arter)	Carolyn Strick (Troester)	
Joni McGlynn (Baker)	Kevin Strick (Troester)	
Barry McPeak (Ehlers)	John Stritch (Ehlers)	
Ray McPeak (Ehlers)	Michael Summers (Troester)	
Marge Molyneaux (Shelton)	Lynnette Swickard (Baker)	
	Jim Wagner (Ehlers)	

(\*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](mailto:office@lnpc.org) or 949.249.1218