



# Communion Sunday September 14, 2025

Please silence your cell phone

## Prelude

***Praise to the Lord, the Almighty***  
Arr. by Jason Payne  
Suk Choi, Organist

## Welcome

Pastor Jim Szeyller

## Call to Worship

Leader: Come, people of God.

People: *Come and celebrate new life in Jesus Christ.*

Leader: Come, people of God.

People: *Come and worship our most generous and loving God.*

## Opening Prayer

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

**Open Up the Heavens**  
James MacDonald, Jason Ingram,  
Meredith Andrews, Stuart Garrard, & Andi Rozier  
Sydney Malone, Worship Singer  
Lee Lee Truong-Sawicki, Worship Leader, Keyboard  
Sho Fujieda, Drums & Madison Spach, Guitar

*We've waited for this day.  
We're gathered in Your Name,  
Calling out to You.  
Your glory like a fire, awakening desire,  
Will burn our hearts with truth.*

*You're the reason we're here.  
You're the reason we're singing.*

*Open up the heavens.  
We want to see You.  
Open up the floodgates,  
A mighty river,  
Flowing from Your heart,  
Filling every part of our praise.*

*Your presence in this place,  
Your glory on our face,  
We're looking to the sky.*

*Descending like a cloud,  
You're standing with us now.  
Lord, unveil our eyes.*

*You're the reason we're here.  
You're the reason we're singing.*

*Open up the heavens.  
We want to see You.  
Open up the floodgates,  
A mighty river,  
Flowing from Your heart,  
Filling every part of our praise.*

*Show us, show us Your glory.  
Show us, show us Your power.  
Show us, show us Your glory, Lord.*

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Show us, show us Your glory, Lord.*

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**House of the Lord**  
Phil Wickham and Jonathan Smith

*We were the beggars.  
Now we're royalty.  
We were the prisoners.  
Now we're running free.  
We are forgiven, accepted,  
Redeemed by His grace.  
Let the house of the Lord sing praise.*

*We were the beggars.  
Now we're royalty.  
We were the prisoners.  
Now we're running free.  
We are forgiven, accepted,  
Redeemed by His grace.  
Let the house of the Lord sing praise.*

*There's joy in the house of the Lord.  
There's joy in the house of the Lord today.  
And we won't be quiet.  
We shout out Your praise.*

*There's joy in the house of the Lord.  
Our God is surely in this place.  
And we won't be quiet.  
We shout out Your praise.*

*There's joy in the house of the Lord.  
There's joy in the house of the Lord today.  
And we won't be quiet.  
We shout out Your praise.*

*There's joy in the house of the Lord.  
Our God is surely in this place.  
And we won't be quiet.  
We shout out Your praise.  
We shout out Your praise.*

*We worship the God who was.  
We worship the God who is.  
We worship the God who evermore will be.*

*He opened the prison doors.  
He parted the raging sea.  
My God He holds the victory, yeah.*

*There's joy in the house of the Lord.  
There's joy in the house of the Lord today.  
And we won't be quiet.  
We shout out Your praise.*

*There's joy in the house of the Lord.  
Our God is surely in this place.  
And we won't be quiet.  
We shout out Your praise.  
We shout out Your praise.*

*We sing to the God who heals.  
We sing to the God who saves.  
We sing to the God who always makes a way.*

*'Cause He hung up on that cross.  
Then He rose up from that grave.  
My God's still rolling stones away.*

*There's joy in the house of the Lord.  
There's joy in the house of the Lord today.  
And we won't be quiet.  
We shout out Your praise.*

*There's joy in the house of the Lord.  
Our God is surely in this place.  
And we won't be quiet.  
We shout out Your praise.*

Prayer of Confession

Lani Colley

Declaration of Forgiveness

Response of Thanksgiving

(please stand if able)

Gloria Patri

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

Anthem

Remember Me

Robert Sterling

LNPC Chancel Choir

He broke the bread for us.  
His body bled for us:  
These words He said for us:  
“Remember Me.”

He kneels to cry for us,  
He goes to die for us;  
With this re-ply for us:  
“Re-member Me.”

His cup was filled for us,  
His blood was spilled for us.  
He shared His will for us:  
“Re-member Me.”

“Remember Me. Remember Me.  
Each word that you say,  
Each prayer that you pray,  
Each moment this day,

“Remember Me. Remember Me.  
Each word that you say,  
Each prayer that you pray,  
Each moment this day, remember Me.”

“Re-member Me. Re-member Me.  
Each word that you say,  
Each prayer that you pray,  
Each moment this day, remember Me,

His meal He shares for us,  
His cross He bears for us;  
His tender prayer for us:  
“Re-member Me.”

Remember Me,  
Remember Me,  
Remember Me.”

Message for Young Disciples

Mark Imfeld

First Scripture Reading

1 Peter 2: 9, 10

Pew Bible p. 233

<sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.  
<sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God's people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

Hymn of Preparation

(please stand if able)

We Are God’s People

Bryan Jeffery Leech

#700 (vv. 1, 4)

We are God’s people,  
The chosen of the Lord,  
Born of his Spirit,  
Established by his Word;

Our cornerstone is Christ alone,  
And strong in him we stand:  
O let us live transparently,  
And walk heart to heart and hand in hand

We are a temple,  
The Spirit’s dwelling place,  
Formed in great weakness,  
A cup to hold God’s grace;

We die alone, for on its own  
Each ember loses fire:  
Yet joined in one the flame burns on  
To give warmth and light, and to inspire.

**Second Scripture Reading**

<sup>1</sup>How lovely is your dwelling place,  
O Lord of hosts!  
<sup>2</sup>My soul longs, indeed it faints  
for the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh sing for joy  
to the living God.  
<sup>3</sup>Even the sparrow finds a home,  
and the swallow a nest for herself,  
where she may lay her young,  
at your altars, O Lord of hosts,  
my King and my God.  
<sup>4</sup>Happy are those who live in your house,  
ever singing your praise.  
<sup>5</sup>Happy are those whose strength is in you,  
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.  
<sup>6</sup>As they go through the valley of Baca  
they make it a place of springs;  
the early rain also covers it with pools.  
<sup>7</sup>They go from strength to strength;  
the God of gods will be seen in Zion.  
<sup>8</sup>O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;  
give ear, O God of Jacob!  
<sup>9</sup>Behold our shield, O God;  
look on the face of your anointed.  
<sup>10</sup>For a day in your courts is better  
than a thousand elsewhere.  
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God  
than live in the tents of wickedness.  
<sup>11</sup>For the Lord God is a sun and shield;  
he bestows favor and honor.  
No good thing does the Lord withhold  
from those who walk uprightly.  
<sup>12</sup>O Lord of hosts,  
happy is everyone who trusts in you.

**Psalm 84**  
Pew Bible p. 543

**Sermon**

***Tourists to Pilgrims***

**Time of Reflection**

**Blessing of Our Tithes & Offerings**

**Offertory**

***Lead Me to the Cross***  
Brooke Liegertwood

Saviour I come, quiet my soul,  
Remember redemption's hill,  
Where Your blood was spilled,  
For my ransom.

You were as I, tempted and tried, human.  
The word became flesh,  
Bore my sin in death.  
Now, You're risen.

Ev'rything I once held dear,  
I count it all as loss.

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I count it all as loss.

Lead me to the cross,  
Where Your love poured out.  
Bring me to my knees,  
Lord, I lay me down.

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Where Your love poured out.  
Bring me to my knees,  
Lord, I lay me down.

Rid me of myself,  
I belong to You.  
Oh, lead me.  
Lead me to the cross.

Rid me of myself,  
I belong to You.  
Oh, lead me.  
Lead me to the cross.

**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)

***Love Divine, All Loves Excelling***

Charles Wesley  
#558 (vv. 3, 4)

*Come, almighty to deliver,  
Let us all thy life receive;  
Suddenly return, and never,  
Nevermore thy temples leave.*

*Thee we would be always blessing,  
Serve thee as thy hosts above,  
Pray and praise thee without ceasing,  
Glory in thy perfect love.*

*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.*

**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 livestream, please be seated until after the Postlude is over before  
exiting the sanctuary. Thank you.)*

**Postlude**

***Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing***

Traditional Sicilian Melody

Today’s Chancel flowers are given by Judy Ruddiman  
in celebration of our wedding anniversary.

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## Prayer Concerns

### LNPC Members

Steve Foster  
Jody Fristoe-Schnitzer  
Mary Gay  
C.M. Hourigan  
Linda Klein  
Kathleen Lechner  
Margaret Lee  
Minton Paul  
Louanna Robeson  
Kathleen Roebuck  
Tasha Schwarz  
The Stamey Family  
Gary Wright

### Peace & Comfort

Family of Laura Clark (Borg)  
Jaime & Lani Colley and Family  
(Jaime's Father)  
Carolyn Ditto & Family  
(Husband)  
Fred and Janice Ehlers &  
Family (Fred's Mother)  
The Fair Family (Angela's Aunt)  
Chris and Eileen Green and  
Family (Chris's Mom)  
CM, Patrick, & Sienna  
Hourigan & Jeff Macarevich  
(Tim)  
Sharon and Greg Johnson &  
Family (Sharon's Brother, Bob)

Lange Family (Mindy)  
Kat, Jason, & Hannah  
Marechal (Lucy Marechal)  
Moore Family & John Flannery  
(Mike Moore)  
Marilyn Odgers & Family  
(Husband)  
Family of Linda Schmidt  
Pam and Bill Souther (Pam's  
Brother, Bruce)  
Allison Vassey & Todd Vassey  
(Mother, Karen)

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## Sunday, September 14, 2025 Announcements



### ***Children bathroom independent 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.

*\*If you are in need of nursery space during the service, you are invited to use the Quiet Room, equipped with livestream, located across from the Sunday School Room.*



# Noteworthy News

- ♦ **The Chosen-Season 5 Tonight!:** Join us Sunday evenings, starting on September 14th, as we gather in Gard A, to watch this acclaimed series together and share thoughts and insights with one another.
- ♦ **Women’s Bible Study - Save the Dates!:** Starting this Tuesday, September 16th, at 7:00 pm, in the Library. Join us for this 7-session Bible study by Nicole Zasowski to discover the enduring joy Jesus promises. \$20 covers the cost of the book. Register online.
- ♦ **Adult Ed. Class - Great Bible Themes & Why They Matter:** Join us on Wednesday nights starting on September 17th, at 7:00 pm, in Gard A, as we explore great Biblical themes - the Trinity, Creation, Sin, the Messiah, Reconciliation, Discipleship, Forgiveness & Grace, Worship, Service, and Justice - and why they matter.
- ♦ **Estate Planned Giving Seminar:** Next Saturday, September 20th, 9:30 am in Gard Hall. Jennifer Sawday, Esq., will discuss how you can protect what you’ve built, secure your legacy, and support your church at this essential seminar on estate planning and tax strategies. Register online.
- ♦ **Spirit of Aloha:** Saturday, September 27th, 5:30 pm at the Pasco’s home. Don’t forget to purchase your tickets-available on the patio after Worship or online.
- ♦ **Request for Docketed Time:** Please contact Pastor Jim if you would like to present something at the next Session meeting on Monday, September 22nd, at 6:00 pm.

## THIS WEEK at LNPC

| September 14                          |                      | SUNDAY                 |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Rally Day &amp; Fall Kick Off!</i> |                      |                        |
| 10:00 am                              | Communion Sunday     | Sanctuary / Livestream |
| 12:00 pm                              | Middle School        | The Garage             |
| 4:00 pm                               | High School          | The Garage             |
| 4:00 pm                               | The Journey          | Gard A                 |
| 7:00 pm                               | The Chosen Season 5  | Gard A                 |
| September 15                          |                      | MONDAY                 |
| 7:00 am                               | AA Men’s             | Gard B                 |
| 10:30 am                              | AA Women’s           | Gard B                 |
| 1:30 pm                               | Staff Meeting        | Conference Room        |
| 6:30 pm                               | Finance & Ops        | Conference Room        |
| 8:00 pm                               | AA Mixed             | Gard B                 |
| September 16                          |                      | TUESDAY                |
| 9:30 am                               | Al-Anon Mixed        | Gard B                 |
| 10:30 am                              | Pastor’s Bible Study | Conference Room        |
| 7:00 pm                               | Daring Joy—Women     | The Library            |
| September 17                          |                      | WEDNESDAY              |
| 6:00 pm                               | AA Mixed             | Gard B                 |
| 7:00 pm                               | Great Bible Themes   | Gard A                 |

| September 18 |                               | THURSDAY               |
|--------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1:00 pm      | FAM Food Dist.                | LNPC Parking Lot       |
| 6:30 pm      | Choir Rehearsal               | Sanctuary              |
| September 19 |                               | FRIDAY                 |
| 7:00 am      | AA Men’s                      | Gard B                 |
| 10:30 am     | AA Women’s                    | Gard C                 |
| 1:00 pm      | Canasta                       | Gard A                 |
| September 20 |                               | SATURDAY               |
| 9:30 am      | Estate Planned Giving Seminar | Gard A                 |
| 3:00 am      | Knott’s Scary Farm HS         | Meet at LNPC           |
| September 21 |                               | SUNDAY                 |
| 10:00 am     | Sunday Worship                | Sanctuary / Livestream |
| 11:15 am     | Faithful Conversations        | Sanctuary              |
| 11:30 am     | Middle School                 | The Garage             |
| 4:00 pm      | High School                   | The Garage             |
| 4:00 pm      | The Journey                   | Gard A                 |
| 7:00 pm      | The Chosen Season 5           | Gard A                 |

# Prayer Concerns

## Family & Friends (Church Contact)

|                              |  |                              |
|------------------------------|--|------------------------------|
| Claro Alfonso (Imfeld)       | Eadie Hezlep (Biggar)                    | Carol Roane (Troester)       |
| Linda Anderson (Stocksdale)  | Connie Hutchinson                        | Robert Ruiz, Jr. (Pasco)     |
| Marvel Anderson (Shelton)    | (Nunnikhoven)                            | Megan Shelton (Shelton)      |
| Amy Bolls (Lechner)          | Family of Arman Karami                   | Carolyn Strick (Troester)    |
| Andrew Brown (Heather’s Son) | Claire McClung (Stevens)                 | Michael Summers (Troester)   |
| Mary Brown (Troester)        | Karma Muallem (Wakim)                    | West Taff (Parry)            |
| Kathy Cammarano (Troester)   | Matt Nichols (Heather Hilderbrand Brock) | Precious Jade Teo (Hampsten) |
| Dan Chambers (Hampsten)      | Bobby Pilkerton (LeBlanc)                | David Tuma (Troester)        |
| Annie Coleman (Coleman)      | Jim Perry (Fitzpatrick)                  | Diane Waldecker (Troester)   |
| Rich Ellis (LeBlanc)         | Paxton Politski (Fair)                   | Ted Wells (Dee’s Son)        |
| Gary Fong (Ehlers)           | Richard Reid (Gregory’s brother)         | Pam Williams (LeBlanc)       |
| Lena Grassmeyer (Imfeld)     | George Rihovsky                          | Wilson Family (Coleman)      |
| Dave Hensiek (Flannery)      |  |                              |
| Bob Hezlep (Biggar)          |  |                              |

(\*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