



Sunday, January 18, 2026

Please silence your cell phone

Prelude

I Love Thee, My Lord
George Shearing
Yoojung Chung Ji, Organist

Welcome

Pastor Jim Szyller

Call to Worship

Leader: Loving Christ, you are our gentle Shepherd.

People: *We are your people; we long to know your will and to live in your way.*

Leader: Keep us safe and secure in your compassionate hands.

People: *Lead us, gentle Shepherd, lead us into new paths of love and service.*

Leader: As you lead and guide us, touch our hearts and minds in this worship time,

People: *So that our spirits may be refreshed and our lives filled with joy and praise.*

Opening Prayer

Hymns of Praise (please stand if able)

Raise a Hallelujah
Jake Stevens, Jonathan David Helser,
Melissa Helser, & Molly Skaggs
Logan Altman, Worship Leader
Sho Fujieda, Drums & Madison Spach, Guitar

*I raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies
I raise a hallelujah louder than the unbelief
I raise a hallelujah my weapon is a melody
I raise a hallelujah Heaven comes to fight for me*

*I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm
Louder and louder you're gonna hear my praises roar
Up from the ashes hope will arise
Death is defeated the King is alive*

*I raise a hallelujah with everything inside of me
I raise a hallelujah I will watch the darkness flee
I raise a hallelujah in the middle of the mystery
I raise a hallelujah fear you lost your hold on me*

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Louder and louder you're gonna hear my praises roar
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*Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)
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Yes I Will
Hoagland, Smith, & Fieldes

*I count on one thing
The same God that never fails
Will not fail me now
You won't fail me now*

*In the waiting
The same God who's never late
Is working all things out
You're working all things out*

*Yes I will lift You high
In the lowest valley
Yes I will bless Your name
Yes I will sing for joy
When my heart is heavy
All my days yes I will*

*I count on one thing
The same God that never fails
Will not fail me now
You won't fail me now*

*In the waiting
The same God who's never late
Is working all things out
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Prayer of Confession

Mark Imfeld

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

Anthem

Music in the Morning
Joseph M. Martin
LNPC Chancel Choir

*O glory, hallelujah, hallelujah to the King.
On this day of new beginnings,
Let the halls of heaven ring.
Let the golden halls of heaven start to ring.*

*Hallelujah to the Father.
Hallelujah to the Son.
Hallelujah to the Spirit.
Praise the sacred Three in One!*

*Let us fill the earth with music
Till we reach the golden shore,
And we sing before the Lamb forever more.*

*O glory, hallelujah, hallelujah to the King.
On this day of new beginnings,
Let the halls of heaven ring.
Let the golden halls of heaven start to ring.*

*Let the golden halls of heaven start to ring.
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord! Hallelujah!*

Recognition of Children

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 36: 5, 6
Jessica Jenkins
Message Translation

⁵ God's love is meteoric, his loyalty astronomic, ⁶ His purpose titanic, his verdicts oceanic.
Yet in his largeness nothing gets lost; Not a man, not a mouse, slips through the cracks.

Hymn of Preparation (please stand if able)

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
Walter Chalmers Smith
#62 (vv. 1, 3)

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.*

*To all life thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish- but naught changeth thee.*

Second Scripture Readings

Revelation 5: 13 - 14
Pew Bible p. 248

¹³ Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" ¹⁴ And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

Sermon

Closer Than Close, Part I

Time of Reflection

Blessing of Our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

Build My Life
Brett Younker, Karl Martin, Kirby Kaple,
Matt Redman, & Pat Barrett

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

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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)

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
Edward Perronet; John Rippon, Adapter
#95 (vv. 1, 4)

*All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown him Lord of all!*

*Let every kindred, every tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To him all majesty ascribe,
And crown him Lord of all;
To him all majesty ascribe,
And crown him Lord of all!*

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

Toccata on "Aberystwyth (Jesus, Lover of my Soul)"
Brenda Portman

Worship Production Leaders

<u>Sound</u>	<u>Audio/Visual</u>
Carlos Morales Fabian Alfaro	Ben Roebuck Bill Adams Grady Jenkins

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SERMON NOTES

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Prayer Concerns

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Steve Foster
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Ellen Hampsten
C.M. Hourigan
Linda Klein
Nancy LeBlanc
Kathleen Lechner
Minton Paul
Allen Renning
Kathleen Roebuck
Tasha Schwarz
Gary Wright

Peace & Comfort

Family of Marvel Anderson
Family of Suzanne Chapman
Jaime & Lani Colley and Family
(Jaime's Father)
Fred and Janice Ehlers &
Family (Fred's Mother & Friend)
Fitzpatrick Family (Jill's Father)
Eileen Green (Brother)
Ellen Hampsten (Nephew)
Nora and Mark Imfeld & Family
(Nora's Father)
Sharon and Greg Johnson &
Family (Sharon's Brother, Bob)
Lange Family (Mindy)
Moore Family & John Flannery
(Mike Moore)
Family of Louanna Robeson

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**Sunday, January 18, 2026
Announcements**



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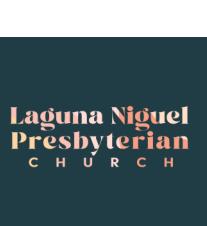
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Children bathroom independent through 5th Grade*

Worship is attended as a family until the Recognition of Children, when our young children are 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

- ◆ **Memorial Service for Louanna Robeson:** This Thursday, January 22nd, at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary. A reception in Gard Hall will immediately follow the service. This service will be livestreamed.
- ◆ **Program Fair:** Sunday, February 1st, immediately following worship in Gard A. Stop in for refreshments and discover meaningful ways to grow, serve, and connect through fellowship, learning, outreach, music, or mission.
- ◆ **Women's Planning Coffee:** Women of LNPC, join us at Becky's home on Saturday, January 24th, at 9am, as we share ideas and plan upcoming events and opportunities. Come enjoy coffee, conversation, and connection.
- ◆ **Chancel Flowers:** Be a part of this beautiful tradition at LNPC of dedicating Chancel flowers - a visible expression of gratitude, remembrance, and praise to God. Choose an open date from the flower chart located in the Narthex or call the church office for assistance. \$85.00. You are invited to take your flowers with you after the service.
- ◆ **Request for Docketed Time:** Please contact Pastor Jim if you would like to present something to Session at the next meeting on Monday, January 26th, at 6:00 pm, in the Work Room.
- ◆ **New eBlast Platform:** Please check your email to be sure you are receiving the Wednesday eBlast since we changed platforms. If you don't see it, check your junk folder. Have questions? Contact Stephanie in the church office.
- ◆ **Office Closed Tomorrow, Monday, January 19th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.**

THIS WEEK at LNPC

January 18		
SUNDAY		
10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary / Livestream
11:15 am	Faithful Conv.	Sanctuary
3:00 pm	Middle School	The Garage
4:00 pm	High School	The Garage
4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A

January 19		
MONDAY		
OFFICE CLOSED - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day		
7:00 am	AA Men's	Gard B
10:30 am	AA Women's	Gard B
8:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B

January 20		
TUESDAY		
9:30 am	Al-Anon Mixed	Gard B
10:30 am	Pastor's Bible Study	Conference Room

January 21		
WEDNESDAY		
6:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B
6:00 pm	PNC	Conference Room

January 22		
THURSDAY		
10:00 am	Memorial Service	Sanctuary / Livestream
1:00 pm	FAM Food Dist.	Parking Lot
4:00 pm	Holy Yoga Chair	Gard C
5:00 pm	Holy Yoga	Gard C
6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

January 23		
FRIDAY		
7:00 am	AA Men's	Gard B
9:30 am	AA Women's	Gard C

January 25		
SUNDAY		
10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary / Livestream
11:15 am	Faithful Conv.	Sanctuary
11:15 am	Deacons Meeting	Conference Room
3:00 pm	Middle School	The Garage
4:00 pm	High School	The Garage
4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A

Prayer Concerns

Family & Friends (Church Contact)

Masi and Ali (Muck)
Amy Bolles (Lechner)
Ginny Bowman (Heath)
John Carruth (Ehlers)
Annie Coleman (Coleman)
Robyn Fong (Ehlers)

Bobby Pilkerton (LeBlanc)
George Rihovsky
Robert Ruiz, Jr. (Pasco)
Bob Strickler* (Ditto)
Dave Tuma (Troester)
Lindsey Yanez (Nunnikhoven)

(*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