

Laguna Niguel Presbyterian C H U R C H



Sunday, May 26, 2024

Please silence your cell phone

Prelude

Holy, Holy, Holy
John B. Dykes
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.
From ev'ry mountaintop to ev'ry wild ocean,
Oh, hear all the universe sing praise.*

*Oh, sing praise, let ev'rything that breathes,
Let all the earth proclaim,
great is the Lord our God.
Praise Him forever!
Let all that is within me magnify His name.
Great is the Lord our God. Praise Him forever!*

Call to Worship

Leader: In turbulent times, when the knot of fear tightens,

People: *Take heart, trust God and step out.*

Leader: When doubt needles us and despair encircles us,

People: *Take heart, trust God, follow Jesus and walk on.*

Leader: As depression threatens to sink us and grief tries to bury us,

People: *Take heart, trust God, follow Jesus and sing your song.*

All: *Now we sing of our faith and rejoice together in this time of worship
and praise!*

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great is the Lord our God.
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*Praise Him, you beating hearts,
sing for the life He's given.
Praise Him, you rescued ones,
join in the sound of heaven.
From ev'ry mountaintop to ev'ry wild ocean,
Oh, hear all the universe sing praise.*

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

Holy God, we come before you with awe, for you are great in love and power. You call us to carry out your mission of love to the world, yet we struggle to understand why you choose us. Speak to us through your Word. Assure us of your continuing presence, as we worship and as we share the risk and challenge of living our faith. By your powerful Spirit, turn our fear to courage and our confusion to confidence, that we will serve as faithful followers of the One in whose name we pray. Amen.

This Is Our God
Phil Wickham, Steven Furtick, Brandon Lake, & Pat Barrett

*Remember those walls that we called sin and shame?
They were like prisons that we couldn't escape.
But He came and He died and He rose;
Those walls are rubble now.*

*Remember those giants we called death and grave?
They were like mountains that stood in our way.
But He came and He died and He rose;
Those giants are dead now.*

*This is our God, this is who He is:
He loves us.
This is our God, this is what He does:
He saves us.*

*He bore the cross, beat the grave.
Let heaven and earth proclaim
This is our God, King Jesus.*

*Remember that fear that took our breath away?
Faith so weak that we could barely pray?
But He heard every word every whisper.*

*Now those altars in the wilderness
Tell the story of His faithfulness.
Never once did He fail, and He never will.
This is our God, this is who He is:
He loves us.
This is our God, this is what He does:
He saves us.*

*He bore the cross, beat the grave.
Let heaven and earth proclaim
This is our God, King Jesus.*

*Who pulled me out of that pit?
He did, He did.
Who paid for all of our sin?
Nobody but Jesus.*

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*Who rescued me from that grave?
Yahweh, Yahweh.
Who gets the glory and praise?
Nobody but Jesus.*

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Prayer of Confession

Nancy LeBlanc

Almighty God, you love us, but we do not love you fully. You call, but we do not always listen. We often walk away from our neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We often, either overtly or implicitly, condone evil, hatred, warfare, and greed. God of grace, help us to admit our sin so that, as you move towards us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness. Lord God, may that begin now as we confess our particular sins before you now.

Silent Prayer

Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Response of Thanksgiving

Gloria Patri

(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.*

Passing of the Joy & Peace of Christ

Pastor Sara

Message for Young Disciples

Howard Hirakawa

Children's Prayer Song

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

First Scripture Reading

John 14: 25 - 27
Grace Hirakawa
Pew Bible p. 109

²⁵ "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

Hymn of Preparation (please stand if able)

Come Down, O Love Divine!
Richard F. Littledale
#304 (vv. 1, 4)

*Come down, O love divine! Seek out this soul of mine
And visit it with your own ardor glowing:
O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear,
And kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.*

*And so the yearning strong with which the soul will long
Shall far surpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace till we become the place
In which the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.*

Second Scripture Reading

Galatians 5: 22 - 25
Pew Bible p. 195

²² By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Sermon

Walking Towards Purpose

Time of Reflection

Blessing of the Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee
Mark L. Williams
LNPC Chancel Choir

O Master, let me walk with Thee
In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me Thy secret; help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Teach me Thy patience; still with Thee
In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
In trust that triumphs over wrong.

In hope that sends a shining ray
Far down the future's broadening way;
In peace that only Thou can give,
With Thee, O Master, let me live.

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)

Eternal Father, Strong to Save William Whiting #358 (vv. 1, 2, 3, 4)

*Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.*

*O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain
O'er which our traffic runs amain
By mountain pass or valley low;
Wherever, Lord, thy children go,
Protect them by thy guarding hand
From every peril on the land.*

*O Spirit, whom the Father sent
To spread abroad the firmament;
O Wind of heaven, by thy might
Save all who dare the eagles' flight,
And keep them by thy watchful care
From ever, peril in the air.*

*O Trinity of love and power,
Thy children shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.*

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

When in Our Music God Is Glorified Charles V. Stanford

*Today's Chancel flowers are given by Tom and Carol Stocksdales
in honor of Jennifer's Doctoral Hooding Ceremony.*

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Prayer Concerns

LNPC Members

Claire Burrill
Joe and Carolyn Ditto
Steve Foster
Jody Fristoe-Schnitzer
C.M. Hourigan
Linda Klein
Richard Odgers
Ron Pearce
Louanne Robeson
Linda Schmidt
Karen Vassey

Peace & Comfort

Family of Doris Black
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)

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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

- ♦ **SCUBA - VBC 2024:** June 17th - 21st, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. Kids ages 4 - 11 are invited to dive into this amazing undersea adventure where they will experience God's ever-flowing, never-ending love for them and discover what living water is really all about. \$30/child (scholarships are available). Register on the LNPC app, website, or call the church office at 949-249-1218.
- ♦ **Men's Ministry Breakfast & Devotional** on Saturday, June 1st, at 8:00 am in Gard B. Join the men of LNPC for breakfast and a devotional. It's a great opportunity for us to connect, share some food, and grow spiritually together. Registration is free on the church app or at LNPC.org.
- ♦ **Congregational Life Movie Night**, Friday, June 14th, at 7:30 on the lawn. Come hear Jim share some insights behind C.S. Lewis' inspiration for The Chronicles of Narnia and enjoy the movie under the stars. You bring a beach chair, and we'll supply the popcorn and ice cream. Let us know you're coming by registering on the LNPC app or at lnpc.org.
- ♦ The church office will be closed tomorrow, Memorial Day, Monday, May 27th.

THIS WEEK at LNPC

May	26	SUNDAY	May	30	THURSDAY
10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary / Livestream	1:30pm	FAM Food Distribution	Parking Lot
11:15 am	Adult Ministry	Christian Ed. Rm.	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A	May	31	FRIDAY
6:00 pm	Youth Group	The Garage	7:00 am	AA Men's	Gard B
			10:30 am	AA Women's	Gard C
May	27	MONDAY	June	1	SATURDAY
MEMORIAL DAY—OFFICE CLOSED			8:00 am	Men's Breakfast & Devotional	Gard B
7:00 am	AA Men's	Gard B	June	2	SUNDAY
10:30 am	AA Women's	Gard B	10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary / Livestream
6:00 pm	Session	Work Room	11:15 am	Missions	Gard A
8:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B	11:15 am	Adult Ministry	Christian Ed. Rm.
May	28	TUESDAY	4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A
9:30 am	Al-Anon Mixed	Gard B	6:00 pm	Youth Group	The Garage
10:30 am	Pastor's Bible Study	Conference Room			
1:00 pm	PEO Book Club	Library			
May	29	WEDNESDAY			
6:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B			

Prayer Concerns

Family & Friends (Church Contact)

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

(*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