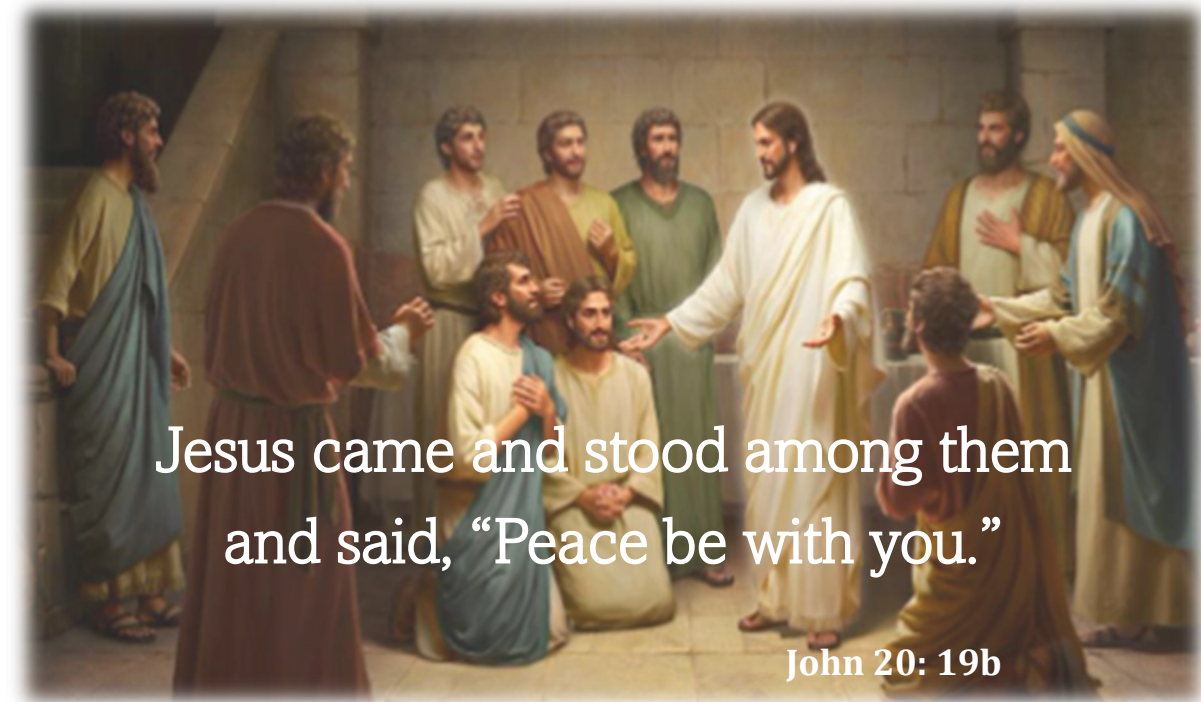


Laguna Niguel Presbyterian C H U R C H



Sunday Worship Service
April 7, 2024

Please silence your cell phone

Prelude

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain
Arthur Sullivan
Suk Choi, Organist

Hymns of Praise
(please stand if able)

Praise the King
Corey Voss, Michael Bryce Jr., Michael Farren, and Dustin Smith
Lee Lee Truong-Sawicki, Worship Leader
Sho Fujieda, Drums

Welcome

Pastor Sara

*Praise the King. He is risen.
Praise the King. He's alive.
Praise the King. Death's defeated.
Hallelujah, He's alive.
Hallelujah, He's alive.*

*There's a reason why the curse of sin is broken.
There's a reason why the darkness runs from light.
There's a reason why we stand here now forgiven:
Jesus is alive.*

Call to Worship

Leader: It is good for God's people to gather together in unity.

People: *We are here at the invitation of God.*

Leader: In this place, God's love and grace flow into our lives. In this place, God's blessings abound.

People: *Praise be to God! Praise be to God!*

*There's a reason why we are not overtaken.
There's a reason why we sing on through the night.
There's a reason why our hope remains eternal:
Jesus is alive.*

*Praise the King. He is risen.
Praise the King. He's alive.
Praise the King. Death's defeated.
Hallelujah, He's alive.
Hallelujah, He's alive.*

*There's a reason why our hearts can be courageous.
There's a reason why the dead are made alive.
There's a reason why we share His resurrection.
Jesus is alive.*

Opening Prayer

Holy and Risen Christ, you breathed on the disciples and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." You shared your peace with them and sent them out to share the good news so that others might have life. As we gather for worship on this Second Sunday of Easter, I invite you to come with your belief, come with your disbelief, come and received the Holy Spirit so that others may have life. In Jesus name, Amen.

*Praise the King. He is risen.
Praise the King. He's alive.
Praise the King. Death's defeated.
Hallelujah, He's alive.
Hallelujah, He's alive.*

10,000 Reasons
Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman

*Bless the Lord, oh my soul,
Oh my soul; worship His holy name,
Sing like never before, oh my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name.*

*The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass,
and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.*

*Bless the Lord, oh my soul,
Oh my soul; worship His holy name,
Sing like never before, oh my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name.*

*You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness; I will keep on singing;
10,000 reasons for my heart to find.*

Prayer of Confession

God of grace and mercy, we want to continue singing the alleluias of Easter, but there are days we just don't feel like singing. Sometimes we lock ourselves away, fearful of what has happened or what the day may bring. Sometimes we allow our doubts to overwhelm our faith. Sometimes we forget about the needs of our neighbors because we are so focused on ourselves. Forgive us. Draw us back to you and to one another. Help us walk in your love and light, that others may see in us the loving presence of the risen Christ. I invite you now to pray your silent prayer of confession.

Silent Prayer

Amen.

*Bless the Lord, oh my soul,
Oh my soul; worship His holy name,
Sing like never before, oh my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name.*

*And on that day,
when my strength is failing,
The end draws near, and my time has come;
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending
10,000 years, and then forever more!*

*Bless the Lord, oh my soul,
Oh my soul; worship His holy name,
Sing like never before, oh my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name.*

*Sing like never before, oh my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name.
Worship Your holy name,
Worship Your holy name.*

Nancy LeBlanc

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.*

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.*

Carolea Williams

First Scripture Reading

1 John 1: 1- 10, 2: 1 -2
Jessica Jenkins
Pew Bible pp. 238 - 239

¹ We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— ² this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— ³ we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴ We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. ⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷ but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸ If we say that we have no sin,

we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

¹ My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ² and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Hymn of Preparation

(please stand if able)

He Lives
Alfred H. Ackley
#248 (vv. 1, 3)

*I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today;
I know that He is living, whatever others say;
I see His hand of mercy,
I hear His voice of cheer,
And just the time I need Him He's always near.*

*He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me
Along life's narrow way.*

*He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my heart.*

*Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian,
lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!
The hope of all who seek Him,
the help of all who find,
None other is so loving, so good and kind.*

*He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me
Along life's narrow way.*

*He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my heart.*

Second Scripture Reading

John 20:19 -31
Pew Bible p. 115

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ²⁴ But Thomas (who was

called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." ²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." ³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Sermon

Show Me

Time of Reflection

Blessing of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Revive Us Again
Arr. By Mark Hayes

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)

*Crown him the Lord of love;
Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified;*

*No angels in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends their burning eye
At mysteries so bright.*

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Matthew Bridges, Verse 2 by Godfrey Thring
#92 (vv. 3,2)

*Crown him the Lord of life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife
For those he came to save;*

*His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring,
And lives that death may die.*

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

Trumpet Tune

Jeremiah Clarke

*Today's Chancel flowers are given by Gary and Lois Wright
in loving memory of Lois' mother.*

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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 7, 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

- ◆ **Potluck & Bingo!**: Next Sunday, April 14th, Gard A, immediately following Worship. Bring a main dish to share for lunch and stay for BINGO! and prizes. Food, fun, and fellowship for all ages. Sign up on the patio after church to bring your favorite dish or on the church app or website. We'll see you there!
- ◆ **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:** 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, 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	7	SUNDAY	April	11	THURSDAY
10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary / Livestream	1:00 pm	FAM Food Dist.	Parking Lot
11:15 am	Men's Ministry	Conference Room	4:00 pm	Holy Yoga Chair	Gard C
11:15 am	Missions	Gard A	5:00 pm	Holy Yoga	Gard C
4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A	5:30 pm	Worship & Music	Conference Room
6:00 pm	Youth Group	The Garage	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
April	8	MONDAY	April	12	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.	April	13	SATURDAY
7:00 pm	Personnel Meeting	Conference Room	9:00 am	Buildings & Grounds	LNPC
8:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B	9:00 am	Bag Ladies	Kitchen
April	9	TUESDAY	April	14	SUNDAY
9:30 am	Al-Anon Mixed	Gard B	10:00 am	Communion Sunday	Sanctuary / Livestream
April	10	WEDNESDAY	11:00 am	Potluck & BINGO!	Gard A
6:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B	4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A
			6:00 pm	Youth Group	The Garage

Prayer Concerns

Family & Friends (Church Contact)

Claro Alfonso (Imfeld)	Samia Najm (Wakim)	Dr. Mark Watters Family (Troester)
Judy Baker (Baker)	Marie Neis (Borg)	Ted Wells (Wells)
Natalia Bergman (Wright)	Ann Oliphant (Galloway)	Wilson Family (Coleman)
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)	
Mike Moore (Flannery)	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 or 949.249.1218