

Communion Sunday

November 8, 2026

Please silence your cell phone

Prelude

Thanks be to Thee, Lord
G. F. Handel
Dr. Hye Kyung Lee, Organist

Welcome

Pastor Ray Medina

Call to Worship

LEADER: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church: In your wisdom, O God, you call us here to worship you.

PEOPLE: *We gather, alive to the Word of God.*

LEADER: You call us to be fully alive with your life abundant, ready to listen and respond with heart, soul, strength, and mind.

PEOPLE: *We listen, alive to the word of God.*

LEADER: You call us to be always watchful for your Word of wisdom, sometimes startling and unexpected, sometimes still and quiet, but always dwelling among us.

PEOPLE: *We watch and wait for the Word of God.*

Opening Prayer

Hymns of Praise
(please stand if able)

Everlasting God
Brenton Brown and Ken Riley
Wimberley Bluegrass Band
Sho Fujieda, Drums

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord.
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Our God, You reign forever.
Our hope, our strong Deliverer.

You are the everlasting God,
The everlasting God.
You do not faint,
You won't grow weary

You're the defender of the weak.
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles.

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His Mercy is More
Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father, so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

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Prayer of Confession

Nancy LeBlanc

Declaration of Forgiveness

Response of Thanksgiving ***Gloria Patria***
(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

Anthem ***I Will Sing Praises to the Lord***
Deborah Lutz
LNPC Chancel Choir

l will sing praises to the Lord.
I will sing praises to the Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

I will sing praises to the Lord.
I will sing praises to the Lord.
I will sing praises to the Lord.
Sing praises to the Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Songs of joy and triumph,
Songs of joy and triumph
Let us bring to the one eternal King!

Songs of joy and triumph,
Songs of joy and triumph
Let us bring to the one eternal King!
Alleluia!

I will sing praises to the Lord.
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Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Alleluia

Recognition of Children

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 78: 1 - 8
Pew Bible, pp. 537 - 538

1 Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
2 I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,
3 things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.
4 We will not hide them from their children;
we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord,
and his might, and the wonders that he has done.
5 He established a decree in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel,
which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children;
6 that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn,
and rise up and tell them to their children,
7 so that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God,
but keep his commandments;
8 and that they should not be like their ancestors, a stubborn and rebellious generation,
a generation whose heart was not steadfast, whose spirit was not faithful to God.

Hymn of Preparation

(please stand if able)

Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying
Philipp Nicolai; Catherine Winkworth, Translator
#131 (vv. 1, 2)

Wake, awake, for night is flying,
The watchmen on the heights are crying;
Awake, Jerusalem, at last.
Midnight hears the welcome voices,
And at the thrilling cry rejoices:
"Come forth, you maidens! Night is past.

The bridegroom comes! Awake;
your lamps with gladness take!"
Alleluia!
Prepare yourselves to meet the Lord,
whose light has stirred the waiting guard.

Zion hears the watchmen singing,
and in her heart new joy is springing.
She wakes, she rises from her gloom,
for her Lord comes down all-glorious,
and strong in grace, in truth victorious.

Her star is risen; her light is come.
O, come, you Blessed One,
Lord Jesus, God's own Son.
Sing hosanna!
We go until the halls we view
Where you have bid us dine with you.

Sermon *Gratitude When You're Delayed*

Second Scripture Reading **Matthew 25: 1-13**

Pew Bible, p. 28

1 "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and
went to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3 When
the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; 4 but the wise took flasks of oil
with their lamps. 5 As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and
slept. 6 But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to
meet him.' 7 Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. 8 The foolish
said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' 9 But the wise
replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the
dealers and buy some for yourselves.' 10 And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom
came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the
door was shut. 11 Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to
us.' 12 But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' 13 Keep awake therefore, for
you know neither the day nor the hour.

Time of Reflection

Blessing of the Tithes & Offerings

Offertory *I Know He Hears Me When I Pray*

Mark Wimberley

When the world turns from the Lord
And goes down another road I think that
I'm the only one who goes the right way
But my Savior walks with me
and He'll never let me stray and so I
Always call upon His name when I pray

Jesus picks me up every time I fall
And I know He'll never leave me or forsake me
And step by step He leads me through the valley
And I know He hears me when I pray

We all walk on the same path
But we don't have the same destination
Where you are tomorrow depends on what you do today
There's only One way that is right
And many ways to be let down so I'll talk
To the One who understands when I pray

Jesus picks me up every time I fall
And I know He'll never leave me or forsake me
And step by step He leads me through the valley
And I know He hears me when I pray

Many loved ones that have gone
How we miss them and we wish that we could
See them all once more before they have to go away
Those who stay strong in the Lord
And remain faithful to His cause will soon be
Comforted and he brings peace when we pray

Jesus picks me up every time I fall
And I know He'll never leave me or forsake me
And step by step He leads me through the valley
And I know He hears me when I pray

And step by step He leads me through the valley
And I know He hears me when I pray

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 ***Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven***
(please stand if able) Henry F. Lyte, Paraphraser
#26 (vv. 3, 2)

Fatherlike, he tends and spares us;
All our hopes and fears he knows.
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Widely as his mercy flows!

Praise him for his grace and favor
To our fathers in distress.
Praise him, still the same forever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness!

Charge and Benediction
(please remain standing)

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.

(You are invited to move about the Sanctuary following the Choral Response.)

Postlude/Recessional ***Carillon***
Gorden Young

Today's Chancel flowers are given by Allison and Jay Jensen
in loving remembrance of Jacque and Jim Settles on their wedding anniversary.

Wimberley Bluegrass Band

Danielle Wimberley, Mandolin
James Wimberley, Banjo
Mark Wimberley, Guitar
Michael Wimberley, Violin

Worship Production Leaders

Audio	*Video*
Carlos Morales	Ben Roebuck
Fabian Alfaro	Bill Adams
	Ellarie Malone

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SERMON NOTES


Welcome
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SANCTUARY
God Bless
Thank you for joining us.

Laguna Niguel Presbyterian CHURCH



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

- **All Church Work Day:** Saturday, November 14th, from 8am to noon. Bring your gloves and a smile – previous experience not necessary. There's a job for everyone!
- **SCO Thanksgiving Food Drive:** We will be collecting food donations on Sunday, 11/8 & 11/15. Please grab a flyer from the Missions Cart for a list of suggested shelf-stable food donations.
- **Blood Drive!:** Sunday, November 22nd, 7:30 am – 1:30 pm in Gard A. Register online at LNPC.org or on the LNPC App.
- **Bring Your Donations for the Estate Sale!:** Accepting donations on Sundays after worship, Wednesdays 11 am-2 pm, & Saturdays 10 am-1 pm. For large donations, please contact Stacy Malone or Dori Moorehead. (Estate & Bake Sale on Sat., 11/21, at LNPC.)
- **FAM Hunger Walk:** Don't forget to join the LNPC Angels team on November 15th in San Clemente to help combat hunger in our community. Register online.
- **CWF Tickets:** Tickets will be available beginning on Sunday, November 15th on the patio after worship and online. $25.00 per ticket.

THIS WEEK at LNPC

November	8	SUNDAY
10:00 am	Communion Sunday	Sanctuary/ Livestream
11:30 am	Congregational Life	Conference Room
4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A

November	9	MONDAY
7:00 am	AA Men's	Gard B
10:30 am	AA Women's	Gard B
11:00 am	Staff Meeting	Conference Room
5:00 pm	YTH Home Group	Malone's Home
6:00 pm	Personnel	Conference Room
6:00 pm	Men's AA	Gard A
8:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B

November	10	TUESDAY
9:30 am	Al-Anon	Gard B
10:15 am	Coffee, Conversation, & the Bible	Conference Room

November	11	WEDNESDAY
OFFICE CLOSED – VETERAN'S DAY		
6:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B

November	12	THURSDAY
1:00 pm	FAM Food Dist.	Parking Lot
4:00 pm	Holy Yoga Chair	Gard C
5:45 pm	Worship & Music	Conference Room
7:00 pm	AA Men's	Gard C

November	13	FRIDAY
7:00 am	Men's AA	Gard B
10:30 am	Women's AA	Gard C

November	14	SATURDAY
8:00 am	Work Day	LNPC
9:00 am	Bag Ladies	Kitchen
9:00 am	CWF Rehearsal	Sanctuary

November	15	SUNDAY
10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary/ Livestream
2:00 pm	FAM Hunger Walk	San Clemente
4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A

Prayer Concerns

Family & Friends (Church Contact)

The Bennetts (Cox)
Marcy Bisson (Jenkins)
Shelby Borg (Borg)
Ginny Bowman (Heath)
John Carruth (Ehlers)
Annie Coleman (Coleman)
Beckah & Gabe (Ehlers)
Mike & Kyle Eales (Galloway)
Dr. Harvey Fair (Fair)
Robyn Fong (Ehlers)
Jon Galloway (Galloway)
Darlene Hester (Mays)
Blake Hourigan (Hourigan)
Rex Mays (Nunnikhoven)
Theresa Mays (Nunnikhoven)
Brigitte Mir (Hampsten)
Dave Moore (Borg)
Sophia Truong and Elaine Phan & Family (Lee Lee)
Bobby Pilkerton (LeBlanc)
Rene (Woody)
George Rihovsky
Robert Ruiz, Jr. (Pasco)
Bob Strickler (Ditto)
Herbert Togashi (Malone)
Joseph Yang

(**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

Prayer Concerns

LNPC Members
Terry Argast
Steve Foster
Jody Fristoe-Schnitzer
C.M. Hourigan
Linda Klein
Nancy LeBlanc
Kathleen Lechner
Margaret Lee
Dave Ross Tasha Schwarz
Jean Shelton
Lois Wright

Peace & Comfort
Fitzpatrick Family (Jill's Father)
Nora and Mark Imfeld & Family (Nora's Father)
Kathleen Lechner (Daughter)
Debbie Perkins (Husband, Jim)
Ben and Jennifer Roebuck (Kathleen)
Dave Ross (Son)
Tasha Schwarz & Family (Husband)
Wanling Cau & Family
and Lee Lee Truong-Sawicki (Lee Lee's Uncle Chi)
Lina & Jean Wakim (Lina's Mother)

Service: Military & Mission
Joseph Yanez (Nunnikhoven)

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