



# Sunday Worship September 7, 2025

**Prelude** 

# Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Arr. by Marianne Kim Suk Choi, Organist **SERMON NOTES** 

Welcome

Pastor Jim Szeyller

# **Call to Worship**

Leader: Come now into God's presence.

People: We call upon God.

Leader: Let us lift our voices in song.

People: We listen for God.

Leader: Let us open our hearts to God.

*People:* We sense God's spirit moving now here with us.

# **Opening Prayer**

# **Chorale Response**

### Prayer for the Road

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

### Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

Paul Baloche

Lee Lee Truong-Sawicki, Worship Leader Sho Fujieda, Drums

> 'Cause when we see You, *We find strength to face the day; In Your presence all our fears* Are washed away, washed away.

> Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God Who saves us. Worthy of all our praises; Hosanna, hosanna, Come have Your way among us; We welcome You here, Lord Jesus.

> 'Cause when we see You, *We find strength to face the day; In Your presence all our fears* Are washed away, washed away.

> Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God Who saves us, Worthy of all our praises; Hosanna, hosanna, Come have Your way among us; We welcome You here, Lord Jesus.

Hope is stirring, Hearts are yearning for You, We long for You;

Praise is rising,

*Eyes are turning to You;* 

We turn to You:

'Cause when we see You, We find strength to face the day; In Your presence all our fears Are washed away, washed away.

Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God Who saves us. Worthy of all our praises; Hosanna, hosanna, Come have Your way among us; We welcome You here, Lord Jesus.

> Hear the sound of Hearts returning to You; We turn to You;

In Your Kingdom Broken lives are made new, You make us new.

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** 

If My People's Hearts Are Humbled Arr. by A. L. Page

### **Faithful Conversations**

Today's Chancel flowers are given by Patricia and Joe Nunnikhoven in celebration of Grandparent's Day and their 65th wedding anniversary,

> by Tom and Carol Stocksdale in celebration of their daughter Jennifer's birthday.

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### What an Awesome God

Jonathan Smith, Phil Wickham, & Richard Mullins

God is great, give Him all the praise,
Hallelujah Name above all Names.

Our God is an aweso
He reigns from heav

Take a look at those stars,
He can name them all.
Before His throne every knee falls.
The demons have to run,
The angels have to praise,
Even the wind and waves obey.

Fire in His eyes, healing in His veins,

Everywhere His glory on display.

Our God is an awesome God. He reigns from heaven above With wisdom, power and love. Our God is an awesome God.

And even when I ran He didn't run away. He came and put death back in its place. Friday on a cross, broken for my shame; Sunday morning, rose up from that grave.

Take a look at those scars
On His hands and feet.
He saved our souls for eternity.
Worthy is the Lamb, glory to the King.
Oh, let all the saints and the angels sing.

Our God is an awesome God. He reigns from heaven above With wisdom, power and love. Our God is an awesome God.

Eyes on the sky. There will be a day, He will come and wipe our tears away. No more fear, no more pain, No more sorrow, sin or shame.

The King is coming back again,
A reign of love that will never end.
For everything You've done
and everything You do
And everything You are, I'll sing to You.

My God, You're an awesome God You're great in all You do. I'm made to worship You. My God, You're an awesome God.

Our God is an awesome God. He reigns from heaven above With wisdom, power and love. Our God is an awesome God.

Our God is an awesome God. Our God, what an awesome God.

# Hymn of Response

(please stand if able)

Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Thomas O. Chisholm
#60 (vv. 1, 3)

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, There is no shadow of turning with thee; Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not; As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided-Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath providedGreat is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

### **Charge and Benediction**

(please remain standing)

**Prayer of Confession** 

Susie Hess

# **Declaration of Forgiveness**

Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them -My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give My life to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.

I will hold Your people in my heart.

### **Pastoral Prayer and 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.

## **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

#### **Anthem**

Come Lift Up Your Voice
Stan Pethel
LNPC Chancel Choir

Gloria Patri

Lift up, lift up your voice
In a song of praise to our King.
Lift up, lift up your voice
To our Lord and Savior we sing.

Praise Him, Praise Him on high, All the stars of heaven proclaim; Praise Him, Praise Him O earth, All creation praises His name.

For the Lord is our rock, Our strength, and our fortress, Worthy is He to be praised.

He will deliver us From the hold of the wicked, To Him our song we will raise.

Lift up, lift up your voice, Come and praise Him Sing and rejoice; Come lift up, Lift up your voice, Come and praise Him, Sing and rejoice;

Come lift up, Lift up your voice, Come and praise Him, Sing and rejoice;

Come and praise Him, Sing and rejoice.

Lift up, lift up your voice In a song of praise to our King. Lift up, lift up your voice To our Lord and Savior we sing.

Lift up, lift up your voice In a song of praise to our King. Lift up, lift up your voice To our Lord and Savior we sing.

To our Lord and Savior we sing. Come lift up your voice.

# **Message for Young Disciples**

Howard Hirakawa

# **Second Scripture Reading**

**Jeremiah 29: 10 - 14**Pew Bible p. 731

# **First Scripture Reading**

**Isaiah 40: 27 - 31** Pew Bible p. 668

<sup>27</sup>Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel,l "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? <sup>28</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God. the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. <sup>29</sup>He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. <sup>30</sup>Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; 31but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength. they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

# **Hymn of Preparation**

(please stand if able)

The God of Abraham praise, Who reigns enthroned above, Ancient of everlasting days, And God of love.

Jehovah, great I AM,
By earth and heaven confessed:
We bow and bless the sacred name
forever blest.

# **The God of Abraham Praise**Thomas Olivers

Thomas Olivers #66 (vv. 1, 2)

He by himself has sworn,
We on his oath depend,
We shall, on eagles' wings upborne,
To heaven ascend;

We shall behold his face, We shall his power adore, And sing the wonders of his grace forevermore. <sup>10</sup>For thus says the Lord: Only when Babylon's seventy years are completed will I visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place. <sup>11</sup>For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. <sup>12</sup>Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. <sup>13</sup>When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, <sup>14</sup>I will let you find me, says the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

### Sermon

Human and Divine Plans

**Time of Reflection** 

**Blessing of Our Tithes & Offerings** 

Offertory

Here I Am Lord
Daniel Schutte
Angela Fair, Solo

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry. All who dwell in deepest sin -My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

# **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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### 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**

- Fall Kick-Off Next Sunday, September 14th!: Be sure to join us after Worship on Sunday, September 14th, for our annual Fall Kick-Off Rally. Enjoy some refreshments and discover what LNPC has to offer this fall.
- **Choir Retreat:** Saturday, September 13th, 8:30 am 12:30 pm, in the Sanctuary and Gard Hall. Open to all interested in joining LNPC's Worship & Music Ministry. Join us for our retreat as we sharpen our focus for fall and beyond. Light snacks and lunch will be provided. Register on the app or at lnpc.org.
- ◆ **The Chosen—Season 5:** 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 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: 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.

## THIS WEEK at LNPC

September 7		SUNDAY	September	10	WEDNESDAY
10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary /	6:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B
		Livestream	September	11	THURSDAY
11:15 am	Faithful Conversations	Sanctuary	1:00 pm	FAM Food Dist.	LNPC Parking Lot
11:15 am	Men's Ministry	Conference Room	5:45 pm	Worship & Music	Conference Room
11:15 am	Missions	Gard A	September	12	FRIDAY
11:30 am	Pizza Party—Middle	The Garage	7:00 am	AA Men's	Gard B
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11:30 am 4:00 pm	Congregational Life The Journey	Gard B Gard A	September	13	SATURDAY
September 8		MONDAY	8:30 am	Choir Retreat	Sanctuary/Gard A
7:00 am	AA Men's	Gard B	9:00 am	<b>Buildings &amp; Grounds</b>	Conference Room
10:30 am	AA Women's	Gard B	9:00 am	Bag Ladies	Kitchen
1:30 pm	Staff Meeting	Conference Room	September	14	SUNDAY
7:00 pm	Personnel	Conference Room	Rally Day & Fall Kick Off!		
8:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B	10:00 am	Communion Sunday	Sanctuary /
September 9 TUESDAY		THESDAY			Livestream
9:30 am	Al-Anon Mixed	Gard B	11:15 am	Faithful Conversations	Sanctuary
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			7:00 pm	The Chosen Season 5	Gard A

# **Prayer Concerns**

### **Family & Friends (Church Contact)**

Claro Alfonso (Imfeld) Eadie Hezlep (Biggar) Connie Hutchinson Linda Anderson (Stocksdale) Marvel Anderson (Shelton) (Nunnikhoven) Family of Arman Karami\* Amy Bolls (Lechner) Andrew Brown (Heather's Son) Claire McClung (Stevens) Mary Brown (Troester) Karma Muallem (Wakim) Kathy Cammarano (Troester) Matt Nichols (Heather Hilder-Dan Chambers (Hampsten) brand Brock) Annie Coleman (Coleman) Bobby Pilkerton (LeBlanc) Rich Ellis (LeBlanc) Jim Perry (Fitzpatrick) Gary Fong (Ehlers) Paxton Politski (Fair) Lena Grassmeyer (Imfeld) Richard Reid (Gregory's Dave Hensiek (Flannery) brother) George Rihovsky Bob Hezlep (Biggar)

Carol Roane (Troester)
Robert Ruiz, Jr. (Pasco)
Megan Shelton (Shelton)
Carolyn Strick (Troester)
Michael Summers (Troester)
West Taff (Parry)
Precious Jade Teo (Hampsten)
David Tuma (Troester)
Diane Waldecker (Troester)
Ted Wells (Dee's Son)
Pam Williams (LeBlanc)
Wilson Family (Coleman)

(\*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@Inpc.org or 949.249.1218