



# Sunday Worship, August 24, 2025

Please silence your cell phone

**Prelude**

*Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme,  
Excerpt from Cantata 140*  
J. S. Bach  
Dr. Grace Park, Organist

**Welcome**

Pastor Jim Szeyller

**Call to Worship**

Leader: We come to worship God, who has made us and knows us;  
People: *We come to celebrate God's presence among us!*  
Leader: We come to follow Jesus, who leads us to new life;  
People: *We come with joy, knowing in Christ we have eternal life!*  
Leader: We come to listen to the Holy Spirit, who calls us forth;  
People: *May we enter this worship knowing the Spirit is alive among us!  
Amen!*

**Opening Prayer**

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

**Only King Forever**  
Chris Brown, Mack Brock, Steven Furtick, and Wade Joye  
Michael Smith, Worship Leader  
Sho Fujieda, Drums & Craig Landon, Electric Bass

**From The Inside Out**  
Joel Houston

*Our God and firm foundation  
Our Rock the only solid ground  
The nations rise and fall  
Kingdoms once strong now shaken  
We trust forever in Your name  
The name of Jesus  
We trust in the name of Jesus*

*You are the only King forever  
Almighty God we lift You higher  
You are the only King forever  
Forevermore You are victorious*

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*Unmatched in all Your wisdom  
In love and justice You will reign  
And ev'ry knee will bow  
We bring our expectations  
Our hope is anchored in Your name  
The name of Jesus  
Oh we trust the name of Jesus*

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Almighty God we lift You higher  
You are the only King forever  
Forevermore You are victorious*

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Almighty God we lift You higher  
You are the only King forever  
Forevermore You are victorious*

*We lift our banner high  
We lift the name of Jesus  
From age to age You reign  
Your kingdom has no end  
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We lift the name of Jesus  
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*A thousand times I've failed  
Still Your mercy remains  
And should I stumble again  
Still I'm caught in Your grace  
Everlasting  
Your light will shine when all else fades  
Never-ending  
Your glory goes beyond all fame*

*Your will above all else  
My purpose remains  
The art of losing myself  
In bringing You praise  
Everlasting  
Your light will shine when all else fades  
Never-ending  
Your glory goes beyond all fame*

*In my heart in my soul  
Lord I give You control  
Consume me from the inside out Lord  
Let justice and praise  
Become my embrace  
To love You from the inside out*

*Your will above all else  
My purpose remains  
The art of losing myself  
In bringing You praise  
Everlasting  
Your light will shine when all else fades  
Never-ending  
Your glory goes beyond all fame*

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Lord I give You control  
Consume me from the inside out Lord  
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Become my embrace  
To love You from the inside out*

*Everlasting  
Your light will shine when all else fades  
Never-ending  
Your glory goes beyond all fame  
And the cry of my heart  
Is to bring You praise  
From the inside out  
Lord my soul cries out (Lord)*

**Prayer of Confession**

Dori Moorehead

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

**Response of Thanksgiving**  
(please stand if able)

**Gloria Patri**

*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

Living Hope  
 Phil Wickham and Brian Johnson

How great the chasm that lay between us  
 How high the mountain I could not climb  
 In desperation I turned to heaven  
 And spoke Your name into the night  
 Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness  
 Tore through the shadows of my soul  
 The work is finished the end is written  
 Jesus Christ my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy  
 What heart could fathom such boundless grace  
 The God of ages stepped down from glory  
 To wear my sin and bear my shame  
 The cross has spoken I am forgiven  
 The King of kings calls me His own  
 Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever  
 Jesus Christ my living hope

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free  
 Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me  
 You have broken every chain  
 There's salvation in Your name  
 Jesus Christ my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise  
 Your buried body began to breathe  
 Out of the silence the Roaring Lion  
 Declared the grave has no claim on me

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 Out of the silence the Roaring Lion  
 Declared the grave has no claim on me  
 Jesus Yours is the victory

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 Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me  
 You have broken every chain  
 There's salvation in Your name  
 Jesus Christ my living hope  
 Jesus Christ my living hope  
 Oh God You are my living hope

Message for Young Disciples

Mark Imfeld

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 5  
 Pew Bible pp. 490 - 491

<sup>1</sup>Give ear to my words, O Lord;  
 give heed to my sighing.  
<sup>2</sup>Listen to the sound of my cry,  
 my King and my God,  
 for to you I pray.  
<sup>30</sup>Lord, in the morning you hear my voice;  
 in the morning I plead my case to you, and watch.  
<sup>4</sup>For you are not a God who delights in wickedness;  
 evil will not sojourn with you.  
<sup>5</sup>The boastful will not stand before your eyes;  
 you hate all evildoers.  
<sup>6</sup>You destroy those who speak lies;  
 the Lord abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful.  
<sup>7</sup>But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love,  
 will enter your house,  
 I will bow down toward your holy temple  
 in awe of you.  
<sup>8</sup>Lead me, O Lord, in your righteousness  
 because of my enemies;  
 make your way straight before me.  
<sup>9</sup>For there is no truth in their mouths;  
 their hearts are destruction;  
 their throats are open graves;  
 they flatter with their tongues.  
<sup>10</sup>Make them bear their guilt, O God;

let them fall by their own counsels;  
because of their many transgressions cast them out,  
for they have rebelled against you.  
<sup>11</sup>But let all who take refuge in you rejoice;  
let them ever sing for joy.  
Spread your protection over them,  
so that those who love your name may exult in you.  
<sup>12</sup>For you bless the righteous, O Lord;  
you cover them with favor as with a shield.

**Hymn of Preparation**  
(please stand if able)

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*  
Edward Caswall, Translator  
#99 (vv. 1, 2)

*When morning gilds the skies,  
My heart awaking cries,  
May Jesus Christ be praised!  
Alike at work and prayer  
To Jesus I repair,  
May Jesus Christ be praised!*  
  
*Does sadness fill my mind?  
A solace here I find,  
May Jesus Christ be praised!  
Or fades my earthly bliss?  
My comfort still is this,  
May Jesus Christ be praised!*

**Second Scripture Reading**

**Luke 18: 18 - 30**  
Pew Bible p. 81 - 82

<sup>18</sup>A certain ruler asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>19</sup>Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>20</sup>You know the commandments: ‘You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; Honor your father and mother.’ ” <sup>21</sup>He replied, “I have kept all these since my youth.” <sup>22</sup>When Jesus heard this, he said to him, “There is still one thing lacking. Sell all that you own and distribute the money to the poor, and you will have

treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” <sup>23</sup>But when he heard this, he became sad; for he was very rich. <sup>24</sup>Jesus looked at him and said, “How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.”  
<sup>26</sup>Those who heard it said, “Then who can be saved?” <sup>27</sup>He replied, “What is impossible for mortals is possible for God.”  
<sup>28</sup>Then Peter said, “Look, we have left our homes and followed you.” <sup>29</sup>And he said to them, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God, <sup>30</sup>who will not get back very much more in this age, and in the age to come eternal life.”

**Sermon**

*Things That Make Us Sad*

**Time of Reflection**

**Blessing of Our Tithes & Offerings**

**Offertory**

*Jesus Loves Me*  
Ben Glover, Chris Tomlin, & Rueben Morgan

I was lost I was in chains  
The world had a hold of me  
My heart was a stone I was covered in shame  
When He came for me

I couldn't run couldn't run from His presence  
I couldn't run couldn't run from His arms

Jesus He loves me  
He loves me He is for me  
Jesus how can it be  
He loves me He is for me

It was a fire deep in my soul  
I'll never be the same  
I stepped out of the dark and into the light  
When He called my name

I couldn't run couldn't run from His presence  
I couldn't run couldn't run from His arms

Jesus He loves me  
He loves me He is for me  
Jesus how can it be  
He loves me He is for me

He holds the stars and He holds my heart  
With healing hands that bear the scars  
The rugged cross where He died for me  
My only hope my ev'rything

Jesus He loves me  
He loves me oh  
Jesus how can it be  
He loves me He is for me

Jesus He loves me  
He loves me He is for me  
Jesus how can it be  
He loves me He is for me

Jesus loves me

**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.*

**Hymn of Response**  
(please stand if able)

***Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult***  
Cecil F. Alexander  
#580 (vv. 1, 2)

*Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult  
Of our life's wild, restless sea;  
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth,  
Saying, "Christian, follow me."*

*Jesus calls us from the worship  
Of the vain world's golden store,  
From each idol that would keep us,  
Saying, "Christian, love me more."*

*In our joys and in our sorrows,  
Days of toil and hours of ease,  
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
"Christian, love me more than these."*

*Jesus calls us--by thy mercies,  
Savior, may we hear thy call,  
Give our hearts to thine obedience,  
Serve and love thee best 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**

***Canon in D***  
Johann Pachelbel

**Faithful Conversations**

Today’s Chancel flowers are given by Jim and Becky Szeyller  
in celebration of their daughter Kristie’s birthday.

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## 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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## Sunday, August 24, 2025 Announcements



### ***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

- ♦ **Spirit of Aloha 2nd Annual Fundraiser Gala - Tickets on Sale!** Saturday, September 27th, 5:30 - 9:00 pm. Join us for live and silent auctions\*, delicious food, and tropical beverages while supporting the Mission and Ministry of LNPC. Tickets available for purchase online. *(\*Please contact Becky if you have a vacation home stay you would like to donate for the auction.)*
- ♦ **Men’s Ministry Disc Golf Challenge:** Saturday, September 6th. We’ll meet at LNPC at 9:00 am and head over to LN Regional Park together. Never played before? That’s okay! Disc golf is easy to learn and easy to play. So, whether you’re a beginner or a pro, come join the fun and fellowship! Register online or on the patio after Worship.
- ♦ **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.
- ♦ **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.
- ♦ **FAM Hunger Walk:** Sunday, October 12th, at 2:00pm, at the San Clemente Community Center. Join Team LNPC Angels to help FAM combat food insecurity in our community. Every step you take and every dollar you donate gets us closer to a community without hunger. Register online under Team LNPC Angels!
- ♦ **Request for Docketed Time:** Please contact Pastor Jim if you would like to present something at the next Session meeting on Monday, August 25th, at 6:00 pm.
- ♦ *Office Closed Monday, September 1st, in observance of Labor Day.*

## THIS WEEK at LNPC

August	24	SUNDAY
10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary / Livestream
11:15 am	Faithful Conversations	Sanctuary
11:15 am	Deacons Meeting	Conference Room
4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A

August	25	MONDAY
7:00 am	AA Men’s	Gard B
10:30 am	AA Women’s	Gard B
1:30 pm	Staff Meeting	Conference Room
6:00 pm	Session	Work Room
8:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B

August	26	TUESDAY
9:30 am	Al-Anon Mixed	Gard B

August	27	WEDNESDAY
6:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B

August	28	THURSDAY
1:00 pm	FAM Food Dist.	LNPC Parking Lot

August	29	FRIDAY
7:00 am	AA Men’s	Gard B
10:30 am	AA Women’s	Gard C

August	31	SUNDAY
10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary / Livestream
11:15 am	Faithful Conversations	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A

# Prayer Concerns

## Family & Friends (Church Contact)

Linda Anderson (Stocksdale)	Connie Hutchinson (Nunnikhoven)	Megan Shelton (Shelton)
Marvel Anderson (Shelton)	Claire McClung (Stevens)	Carolyn Strick (Troester)
Amy Bolls (Lechner)	Karma Muallem (Wakim)	Michael Summers (Troester)
Andrew Brown (Heather’s Son)	Matt Nichols (Heather Hilderbrand Brock)	West Taff (Parry)
Mary Brown (Troester)	Bobby Pilkerton (LeBlanc)	Precious Jade Teo (Hampsten)
Kathy Cammarano (Troester)	Jim Perry* (Fitzpatrick)	David Tuma (Troester)
Dan Chambers (Hampsten)	Paxton Politski (Fair)	Diane Waldecker (Troester)
Annie Coleman (Coleman)	Richard Reid (Gregory’s brother)	Ted Wells (Dee’s Son)
Rich Ellis (LeBlanc)	George Rihovsky	Pam Williams (LeBlanc)
Gary Fong (Ehlers)	Carol Roane (Troester)	Wilson Family (Coleman)
Lena Grassmeyer (Imfeld)	Robert Ruiz, Jr. (Pasco)	
Dave Hensiek (Flannery)		
Bob Hezlep (Biggar)		
Eadie Hezlep (Biggar)		

(\*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](mailto:office@lnpc.org) or 949.249.1218