

Sunday, January 21, 2024
Order of Worship

Prelude

Holy, Holy, Holy!
John Dykes
Suk Choi, Organist

Welcome

Pastor Jim

Call to Worship

Pastor Jim

Leader: We gather for worship in the midst of a broken world.

***People:** Let us learn of God's way to serve.*

Leader: We gather for worship to build ways of love.

***All:** For the strengthening presence of God and each other, we lift our voices in joy and praise!*

Opening Prayer

Pastor Jim

O God our Father, we come into the quiet of your house to worship you. We come for spiritual refreshment, for renewal, for tapping into the only power that lasts. Help us to resonate with your Spirit and find all the benefits of your presence. Amen.

Hymns of Praise

(please stand if able)

Open Up the Heavens

Andi Rozier, James Macdonald, Jason Ingram,
Meredith Andrews, & Stuart Garrard
Sydney Malone, Worship Singer
Lee Lee Truong-Sawicki, Keyboard & Sho Fujieda, Drums

*We've waited for this day.
We're gathered in Your Name,
Calling out to You.*

*Your glory, like a fire, awakening desire,
Will burn our hearts with truth.*

*You're the reason we're here.
You're the reason we're singing.*

*Open up the heavens. We want to see You.
Open up the floodgates, a mighty river,
Flowing from Your heart,
Filling every part of our praise.*

*Your presence in this place,
Your glory on our face,
We're looking to the sky.
Descending like a cloud,
You're standing with us now.
Lord, unveil our eyes.*

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*Show us, show us Your glory.
Show us, show us Your power.
Show us, show us Your glory Lord.*

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*Where You go, I'll go;
Where You stay, I'll stay;
When You move, I'll move.
I will follow.*

*All Your ways are good,
All Your ways are sure;
I will trust in You alone.
Higher than my sight,
High above my life;
I will trust in You alone.*

*Where You go, I'll go;
Where You stay, I'll stay;
When You move, I'll move.
I will follow You.
Whom You love, I'll love;
How You serve, I'll serve;
If this life I lose, I will follow You,
Yeah. I will follow You, yeah.*

*Light into the world,
Light into my life
I will live for You alone.
You're the One I seek,
Knowing I will find
All I need in You alone.
In You alone.*

*Where You go, I'll go;
Where You stay, I'll stay;
When You move, I'll move.
I will follow You.*

*Whom You love, I'll love;
How You serve, I'll serve;
If this life I lose, I will follow You,
Yeah. I will follow You, yeah.*

*In You, there's life everlasting.
In You, there's freedom for my soul.
In You, there's joy, unending joy;
And I will follow.*

*Where You go, I'll go;
Where You stay, I'll stay;
When You move, I'll move.
I will follow You.
Whom You love, I'll love;
How You serve, I'll serve;
If this life I lose, I will follow You,
Yeah. I will follow You, yeah.*

*I will follow You, yeah.
I will follow You, yeah.*

Invitation to the Prayer of Confession

Jill Fitzpatrick

If we are honest, we must confess that when the light of Christ has burned brightest, we have sometimes found darkness more alluring; that though God has asked us to let our light shine, we have sometimes hidden it. In a spirit of humility and repentance let us confess our waywardness before God now. Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession

Jill Fitzpatrick

O God, if we carry the name Christian, we are signs of Christ's presence in the world. Yet we confess that we do not always live as joyous, loving and hopeful people in our homes, our workplaces, and our communities. We get so caught up in the values of this world that we do not seek to discern your will for our lives. By your grace and forgiveness, renew us in mind, body and spirit, that we will witness and work for Christ wherever you have placed us. In his name we pray.

Silent Prayer.

Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Jill Fitzpatrick

When we reach out in faith, God comes near in love. When we humbly seek forgiveness, God responds with mercy and grace. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and loved. Glory be to God.

Response of Thanksgiving (please stand if able)

Gloria Patri
LNPC Chancel Choir

*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 Jim

Time For Young Disciples

Howard Hirakawa

Prayer Song

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

⁵ For God alone my soul waits in silence,
for my hope is from him.
⁶ He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.
⁷ On God rests my deliverance and my honor;
my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.
⁸ Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us.
⁹ Those of low estate are but a breath,
those of high estate are a delusion;
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.
¹⁰ Put no confidence in extortion,
and set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.
¹¹ Once God has spoken;
twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,
and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.
For you repay to all
according to their work.

Hymn of Preparation
(please stand if able)

O Jesus, I Have Promised
John E. Bode
LNPC Chancel Choir
#648 (vv. 3, 4)

***O let me hear thee speaking
In accents clear and still,
Above the storms of passion,
The murmurs of self-will.***

***O speak to reassure me,
To hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
Thou guardian of my soul.***

***O Jesus, thou hast promised
To all who follow thee,
That where thou art in glory,
There shall thy servant be;***

***And, Jesus, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
My Master and my Friend.***

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God,
¹⁵ and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe
in the good news.” ¹⁶ As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother
Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ And Jesus said to them, “Follow
me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸ And immediately they left their nets and followed
him. ¹⁹ As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who
were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰ Immediately he called them; and they left their father
Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

Sermon

Following Requires Action

Pastor Jim

Time of Reflection

Blessing of Tithes and Offerings

Pastor Jim

Offertory

I Will Follow You
Arr. by Tom Fettke
LNPC Chancel Choir

Come, follow me, come, follow me,
Come and follow in my footsteps.
Come, follow me,
Come and follow me today.

You are the way, You are the truth,
You are life to me, Lord Jesus.
You are the way, You are the truth,
You are life to me, oh Lord.

Come, follow me, come, follow me,
Come and follow in my footsteps.
Come, follow me,
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I will follow you, Lord Jesus.
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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)

The Summons

**John Bell and Graham Maule
LNPC Chancel Choir**

*Will you come and follow Me
If I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
And never be the same?*

*Lord, Your summons echoes true
When You but call my name?
Let me turn and follow You
And never be the same?*

*Will you let My love be shown,
Will you let My name be known?
Will you let My life be grown
In you and you in Me?*

*In Your company I'll go
Where Your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
In You and You in me.*

Charge and Benediction

(please remain standing if able)

Pastor Jim

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.*

Postlude

Jesus Calls Us o'er the Tumult

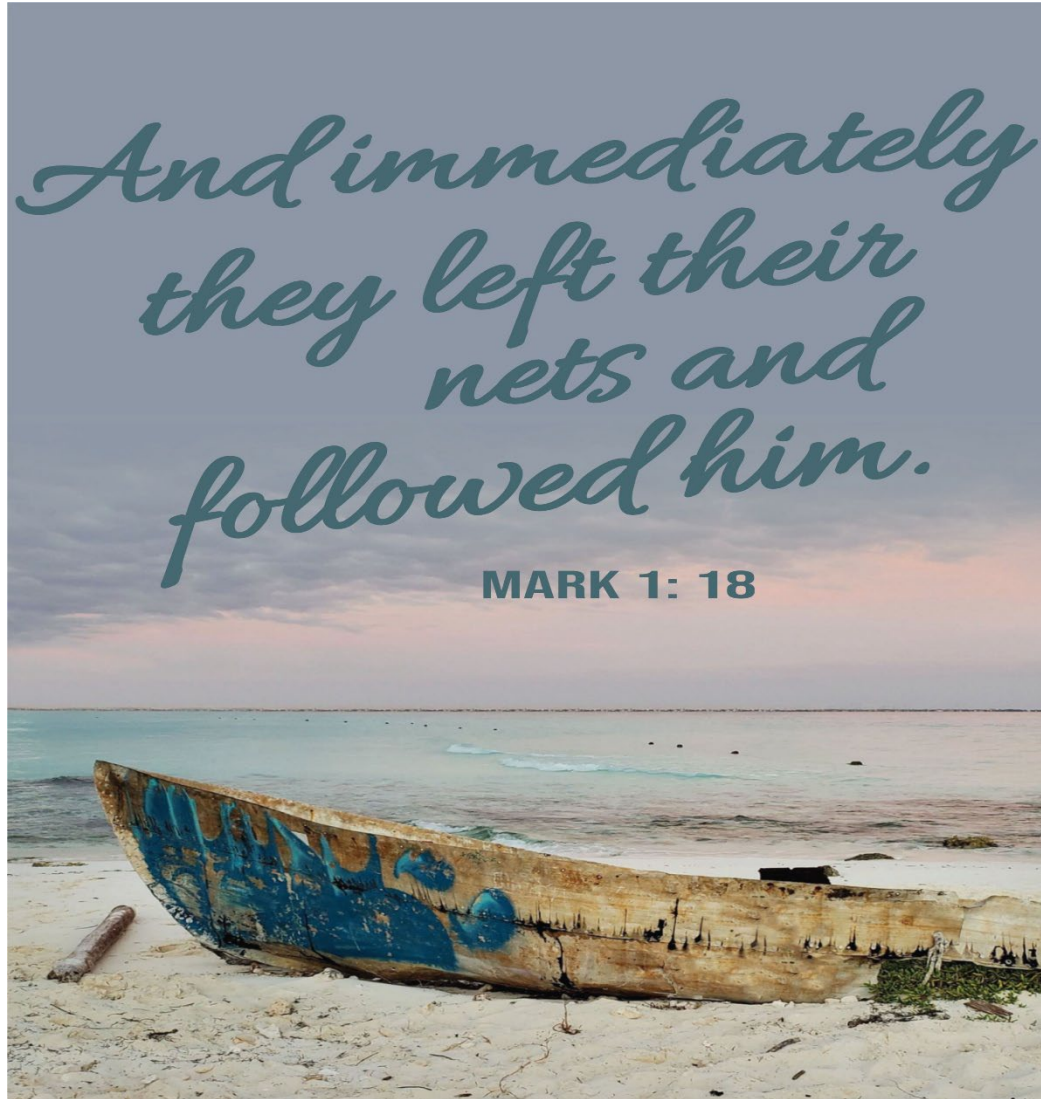
Arr. by A. L. Page

Suk Choi, Organist

**Today's Chancel flowers are given with love by Gary Wright and Family
in celebration of Lois' "81st" birthday.**

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Laguna Niguel Presbyterian C H U R C H



Announcements
Sunday, January 21, 2024

Noteworthy News

- ◆ **What and Why Do We Believe?** : In this new Discipleship Class we will look at the major convictions in our faith and engage in thoughtful discussions to help equip you to know why you believe what you believe, and to help you feel secure and confident about sharing those beliefs with others. Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm in Gard A, starting on January 24th.

- ◆ **LNPC Bowling Adventure:** Come to bowl or to cheer on your favorite player. Saturday, February 10th, at 3:00 pm at Saddleback Lanes in Mission Viejo. Register on the app or at lnpc.org.

- ◆ **Holy Yoga is Back:** Tuesdays at 5:00 pm and Thursdays at 4:00 pm (Chair) & 5:00 pm, in Gard C. Contact the church office at 949-249-1218 or Susie Hess for more information.

- ◆ **Save the Date - Men's Ministry Pizza & Game Night:** Saturday, February 24th, 3:00 pm, at Tony Pepperoni Pizzeria in Aliso Viejo. Registration is open on the app or at lnpc.org.

- ◆ **Dedicate Chancel Flowers:** Add your name to your preferred dates on the Flower Sign-Up Chart located in the Narthex. Then, complete the outside of a flower donation envelope with dedication information, include your donation inside the envelope, and drop it in one of the baskets or in the church office. Suggested donation is \$85.00.

THIS WEEK at LNPC

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Prayer Concerns

Family & Friends (Church Contact)

Claro Alfonso (Imfeld)

Judy Baker (Baker)

Gary Fong (Ehlers)

Mike & Kathy Gessner
(Galloway)

Sandy Griffon (Stocksdale)

*Maria Kocerhova** (Troester)

Sherry Kerner (Ehlers)

Amy Lechner Bolls (Lechner)

Rossana Madrid (Ondryas)

Joni McGlynn (Bakers)

Erik McMahan (Rihovsky)

Barry McPeak (Ehlers)

Gary Mills (Ondryas)

Marge Molyneaux (Shelton)

Samia Najm (Wakim)

Marie Neis (Borg)

Ann Oliphant (Galloway)

John Osth (Khalfia)

Linda Parker (Troester)

Maryann Pette (Shelton)

Cindy Rhoades (Baker)

George Rihovsky

Megan Shelton (Shelton)

Ken Simonson (Borg)

Amy Sinkeldam (Ehlers)

Kyoko Smith (Wright)

Carolyn Strick (Troester)

Kevin Strick (Troester)

John Stritch (Ehlers)

Michael Summers (Troester)

Lynnette Swickard (Baker)

Jim Wagner (Ehlers)

Dr. Mark Watters Family
(Troester)

Ted Wells (Wells)

Lauren Williams (Shelton)

Wilson Family (Coleman)

Prayer Concerns

LNPC Members

Claire Burrill
Joe and Carolyn Ditto
John Flannery
Steve Foster
Joanne Jannard
Cheryl Kelsey
Nancy LeBlanc
Kathleen Lechner

Richard Odgers
Ron Pearce
Louanne Robeson
Kathleen Roebuck
Linda Schmidt
Jody Schnitzer
Jean Shelton
Bill Stevens
Karen Vassey
John and Lina Wakim

Peace & Comfort

Black Family (Doris)
Borg Family (Sandy's Brother,
Daughter-in-Law's Mother, Erik's
Brother)
Jane Carpenter & Family
(Husband)
Campman Family (Marilyn)
Brian Mangan & Family (Wife)
*Sara McCurdy & Family**
(Husband)
Cecil Spearman & Family (Wife)
*Sandy and Bob Walden**
(Sandy's Sister)

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