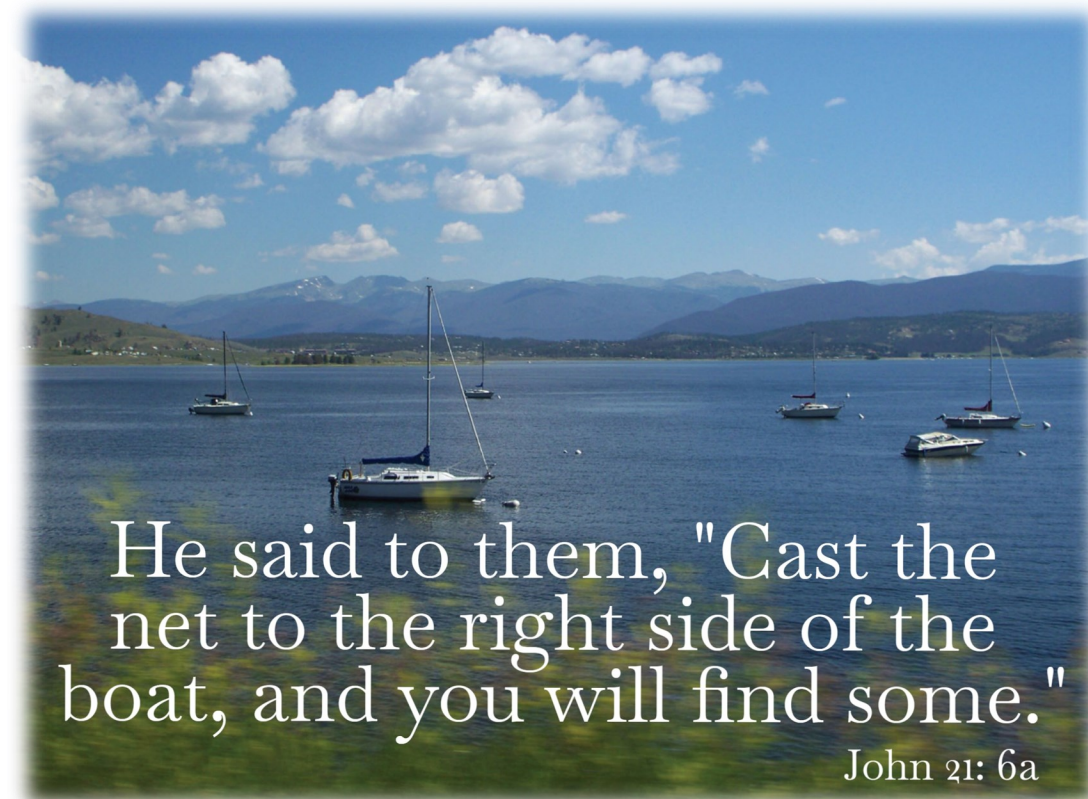


# Laguna Niguel Presbyterian C H U R C H



**Sunday Worship Service**

**April 28, 2024**

**Please silence your cell phone**

**Prelude**

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*  
Arr. by Steve Martin  
Suk Choi, Organist

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

*Living Hope*  
Brian Johnson and Phil Wickham  
Wimberley Bluegrass Band, Worship Leaders  
Sho Fujieda, Drums

**Welcome**

Pastor Jim

*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*

**Call to Worship**

Leader: The risen Christ lives among us, calling us to be a blessing,

People: *Calling us to heal and transform the brokenness and the violence of our world.*

Leader: The risen Christ lives among us, calling us to be a blessing,

People: *Calling us to seek out the lonely and the lost and those who need to experience God's love.*

Leader: The risen Christ lives among us, calling us to be a blessing,

People: *Calling us to be disciples to the world, blessed, healed, and filled with joyous good news!*

*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*

**Opening Prayer**

To honor and praise you, O God, we come in gratitude and love. With great joy and amazement, we remember the victory of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Therefore, we raise our voices in praise and thanksgiving for your incomparable gift of love revealed in Christ's resurrection. Amen.

*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*

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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*

***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*

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

*Praise the Lord, His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness, new every morn  
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## **Prayer of Confession**

Ann Boscardin

*O God, we admit that too often we live on the surface of life. We are afraid of the depths, though we try to hide many things deep within us. We are haunted by the knowledge that we have hurt others by our own selfish acts. We are harassed by the realization that our sense of priorities and laziness have prevented us from responding to situations where we might have made a creative difference. What gets into us, God, to make us miss the mark of our Christian love time after time? Help us, O God, as we pray silently offering our own particular prayers of confession.*

Silent Prayer

*Amen.*

## **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**

Pastor Sara

## **Anthem**

***Faithfulness***

Joel Raney  
LNPC Chancel Choir

*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 will be.*

*Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.*

*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!

Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine 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 provided;

Great is thy faithfulness,  
Great is thy faithfulness,  
Great is thy faithfulness,

Lord, unto me!  
Lord, unto me!

### Message for Young Disciples

Howard Hirakawa

### Children's Prayer Song

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

### First Scripture Reading

**John 21: 1 - 8**  
Jessica Jenkins  
Pew Bible p. 115

<sup>1</sup> After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup> Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. <sup>3</sup> Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. <sup>4</sup> Just after day-break, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup> He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. <sup>7</sup> That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. <sup>8</sup> But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

### Hymn of Preparation

(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.*

## Second Scripture Reading

**John 21: 9 - 14**  
Pew Bible p. 115 - 116

<sup>9</sup> When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread.  
<sup>10</sup> Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." <sup>11</sup> So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup> Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup> Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them and did the same with the fish. <sup>14</sup> This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

## Sermon

***A Counter-Intuitive Faith***

## Time of Reflection

## Blessing of Our Tithes and Offerings

## Offertory

***Come and Dine***  
Charles B. Widmeyer  
Wimberley Bluegrass Band

Jesus has a table spread  
Where the saints of God are fed,  
He invites His chosen people, "Come and dine";  
With His manna He doth feed  
And supplies our every need:  
Oh, 'tis sweet to sup with Jesus all the time!

"Come and dine," the Master calleth, "Come and dine";  
You may feast at Jesus' table all the time;  
He Who fed the multitude, turned the water into wine,  
To the hungry calleth now, "Come and dine."

The disciples came to land,  
Thus obeying Christ's command,

For the Master called unto them, "Come and dine";  
There they found their heart's desire,  
Bread and fish upon the fire;  
Thus He satisfies the hungry every time.

"Come and dine," the Master calleth, "Come and dine";  
You may feast at Jesus' table all the time;  
He Who fed the multitude, turned the water into wine,  
To the hungry calleth now, "Come and dine."

Soon the Lamb will take His bride  
To be ever at His side,  
All the host of heaven will assembled be;  
Oh, 'twill be a glorious sight,  
All the saints in spotless white;  
And with Jesus they will feast eternally.

"Come and dine," the Master calleth, "Come and dine";  
You may feast at Jesus' table all the time;  
He Who fed the multitude, turned the water into wine,  
To the hungry calleth now, "Come and dine."

## 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)

***There's a Quiet Understanding***  
***Tedd Smith***  
# 788 (vv. 1, 2)

*There's a quiet understanding  
When we're gathered in the Spirit;  
It's a promise that he gives us,  
When we gather in his name.*

*There's a love we feel in Jesus,  
There's a manna that he feeds us;  
It's a promise that he gives us,  
When we gather in his name.*

*And we know when we're together,  
Sharing love and understanding,  
That our brothers and our sisters  
Feel the oneness that he brings.  
Thank you, thank you, thank you, Jesus,  
For the way you love and feed us,  
For the many ways you lead us,  
Thank you, thank you, Lord.*

## **Charge and Benediction**

### **Choral Response**

*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**

### **Prayer for the Road**

*Today's Chancel flowers are given by Fred and Janice Ehlers  
in memory of our loving Dad, George Salisbury.*

### **Festive Praise** Lloyd Larson

*\*\*\*Music used by permission CCLI 504316\*\*\**



## Prayer Concerns

### LNPC Members

Claire Burrill  
Joe and Carolyn Ditto  
Steve Foster  
C.M. Hourigan  
*Linda Klein\**  
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 28, 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

- ◆ **The Chosen, Season 4:** Wednesday evenings 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.
- ◆ **Men's Ministry BBQ & Cornhole:** Guys, come on out for some delicious BBQ and friendly Cornhole competition on Saturday, May 4th, at 3:00 pm, right here at LNPC. You bring your own meat and we'll supply the sides and beverages. Register on the app or website.
- ◆ **LNPC YTH:** Pack your Mickey ears and prepare for an unforgettable time with your church youth group at Disneyland on Saturday, May 18th. Register on the church app or at LNPC.org.
- ◆ **SCUBA - VBC 2024:** June 17th - 24th, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. Kids ages 4 - 11 are invited to dive into this amazing undersea adventure where they will experience God's ever-flowing, never-ending love for them and discover what living water is really all about. \$30/child (scholarships are available). Register on the LNPC app, website, or call the church office at 949-249-1218.

## THIS WEEK at LNPC

<b>April</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>
7:30 am	Blood Drive	Gard A	12:30pm	FAM Training	Gard B
10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary / Livestream	4:00 pm	Holy Yoga Chair	Gard C
11:00 am	Congregational Mtg.	Sanctuary / Livestream	5:00 pm	Holy Yoga	Gard C
11:15 am	Congregational Life	Conference Rm.	6:30 pm	AA District 12	Gard A
4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A	6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:00 pm	Youth Group	The Garage	<b>May</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	7:00 am	AA Men's	Gard B
7:00 am	AA Men's	Gard B	10:30 am	AA Women's	Gard C
10:30 am	AA Women's	Gard B	<b>May</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>
1:00 pm	Staff Meeting	Conference Rm.	3:00 pm	Men's BBQ & Cornhole	Patio / Lawn
8:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B	<b>May</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary / Livestream
9:30 am	Al-Anon Mixed	Gard B	11:15 am	Men's Ministry Mtg.	Christian Ed. Rm.
10:30 am	Pastor's Bible Study	Conference Room	11:15 am	Missions	Gard A
5:00 pm	Holy Yoga	Gard C	4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A
<b>May</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	6:00 pm	Youth Group	The Garage
6:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B			
7:00 pm	The Chosen	Gard A			

# Prayer Concerns

## Family & Friends (Church Contact)

Claro Alfonso (Imfeld)	Marge Molyneaux (Shelton)	Dr. Mark Watters Family (Troester)
Linda Anderson (Stocksdale)	Samia Najm (Wakim)	Ted Wells (Wells)
Judy Baker (Baker)	Marie Neis (Borg)	Wilson Family (Coleman)
Natalia Bergman (Wright)	Ann Oliphant (Galloway)	
Amy Lechner Bolls (Lechner)	John Ostth (Khalifa)	
Annie Coleman (Coleman)	Linda Parker (Troester)	
Gary Fong (Ehlers)	Maryann Pette (Shelton)	
Mike & Kathy Gessner (Galloway)	Cindy Rhoades (Baker)	
Sandy Griffin (Stocksdale)	Megan Shelton (Shelton)	
Sherry Kerner (Ehlers)	Amy Sinkeldam (Ehlers)	
Lucy Marechal	Kyoko Smith (Wright)	
Rossana Madrid (Ondryas)	Carolyn Strick (Troester)	
Don McBurney (Arter)	Kevin Strick (Troester)	
Joni McGlynn (Baker)	John Stritch (Ehlers)	
Barry McPeak (Ehlers)	Michael Summers (Troester)	
Ray McPeak (Ehlers)	Lynnette Swickard (Baker)	
	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