

Sunday Worship, August 17, 2025

Prelude

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing Carl Glaser Suk Choi, Organist

Welcome

Pastor Jim Szeyller

# Call to Worship

Leader: This is the good news which we proclaim to you.

People: Jesus Christ is raised from the dead!

Leader: Walk in the light of his love.

*People:* Live in the light of his teachings and healing mercies.

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who overcame death.

People: Let us celebrate the triumph of our Lord.

**Opening Prayer** 

## **Hymns of Praise**

(please stand if able)

I'll praise in the valley
Praise on the mountain
I'll praise when I'm sure
Praise when I'm doubting
I'll praise when outnumbered
Praise when surrounded
'Cause praise is the water
My enemies drown in

As long as I'm breathing
I've got a reason to

Praise the Lord oh my soul Praise the Lord oh my soul

I'll praise when I feel it
And I'll praise when I don't
I'll praise 'cause I know
You're still in control
'Cause my praise is a weapon
It's more than a sound
My praise is the shout
That brings Jericho down

As long as I'm breathing I've got a reason to

Praise the Lord oh my soul Praise the Lord oh my soul

I won't be quiet My God is alive How could I keep it inside Praise the Lord oh my soul

#### Praise

Wickham and Smith Logan Altman, Worship Leader Sho Fujieda, Drums

I'll praise 'cause You're sovereign
Praise 'cause You reign
Praise 'cause You rose and defeated the grave
I'll praise 'cause You're faithful
Praise 'cause You're true
Praise 'cause there's nobody greater than You

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Praise the Lord oh my soul

### Raise a Hallelujah

Jake Stevens, Jonathan David Helser, Melissa Helser, & Molly Skaggs

I raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies I raise a hallelujah louder than the unbelief I raise a hallelujah my weapon is a melody I raise a hallelujah Heaven comes to fight for me

I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm Louder and louder you're gonna hear my praises roar Up from the ashes hope will arise Death is defeated the King is alive

I raise a hallelujah with everything inside of me I raise a hallelujah I will watch the darkness flee I raise a hallelujah in the middle of the mystery I raise a hallelujah fear you lost your hold on me

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> Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder) Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder) Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder) Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)

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**Prayer of Confession** 

Mark Imfeld

**Declaration of Forgiveness** 

**Response of Thanksgiving** 

Gloria Patri

(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** In Christ Alone

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found He is my light my strength my song This Cornerstone this solid Ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm What heights of love what depths of peace When fears are stilled when strivings cease My Comforter my All in All Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh Fullness of God in helpless babe This gift of love and righteousness Scorned by the ones He came to save Till on that cross as Jesus died The wrath of God was satisfied For every sin on Him was laid Here in the death of Christ I live

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There in the ground His body lay Light of the world by darkness slain Then bursting forth in glorious Day Up from the grave He rose again And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death This is the power of Christ in me From life's first cry to final breath lesus commands my destiny No power of hell no scheme of man Can ever pluck me from His hand Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

**Message for Young Disciples** 

Jaime & Lani Colley

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 1 Pew Bible p. 489

<sup>1</sup>Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers: <sup>2</sup>but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night. <sup>3</sup>They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper. <sup>4</sup>The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. <sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; <sup>6</sup>for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

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

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*Walter Chalmers Smith
#62 (vv. 1, 3)

Lee Lee Truong-Sawicki, Hymn Singer

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes, Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small; In all life thou livest, the true life of all; We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, And wither and perish-but naught changeth thee.

## **Second Scripture Reading**

**Luke 18: 9 - 14** Pew Bible p. 81

<sup>9</sup>He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: <sup>10</sup>"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup>The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. <sup>12</sup>I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' <sup>13</sup>But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' <sup>14</sup>I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Sermon

**Exaltation and Humility** 

**Time of Reflection** 

**Blessing of Our Tithes & Offerings** 

Offertory

**Build My Life** Brett Younker, Karl Martin, Kirby Kaple,

Matt Redman, & Pat Barrett

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name Jesus the only one who could ever save Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe We live for You We live for You

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

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## 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)

Just As I Am, Without One Plea Charlotte Elliott #445 (vv. 4, 5)

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind, Sight, riches, healing of the mind, Yea, all I need in thee I find, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

Just as I am, thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; Because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

O Lamb of God, I come.

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** 

**Voluntary in A Minor, Op.7, No.8**John Stanley

**Faithful Conversations** 

Today's Chancel flowers are given by Carolyn Ditto in loving memory of her husband, Joe Ditto.

# **SERMON NOTES**



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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

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 &

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)

# **LNPC STAFF**

Family (Sharon's Brother, Bob)

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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**

- Memorial Service for Karen Vassey: Saturday, August 23rd, at 1:00 pm in the Sanctuary. A
  reception in Gard Hall will immediately follow the service. (The service will be livestreamed.)
- ♦ **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 and on the patio after church. (\*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.

# THIS WEEK at LNPC

August	17	SUNDAY	August	21	THURSDAY
10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary /	1:00 pm	FAM Food Dist.	LNPC Parking Lot
		Livestream	4:00 pm	Holy Yoga Chair	Gard C
11:15 am	Faithful Conversations	Sanctuary	5:00 pm	Holy Yoga	Gard C
4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A			
			August	22	FRIDAY
August	18	MONDAY	7:00 am	AA Men's	Gard B
7:00 am	AA Men's	Gard B	10:30 am	AA Women's	Gard C
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1:30 pm	Staff Meeting	Conference Room	August	23	SATURDAY
6:30 pm	Finance & Ops	Conference Room	1:00 pm	Memorial Service for	Sanctuary /
8:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B	r	Karen Vassey	Livestream
August	19	TUESDAY	August	24	SUNDAY
9:30 am	Al-Anon Mixed	Gard B	10:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary /
5:30 pm	Colinas de Cap. HOA	Conference Room			Livestream
0.00 p			11:15 am	Faithful Conversations	Sanctuary
August	20	WEDNESDAY	11:15 am	Deacons Meeting	Conference Room
5:30 pm	Spirit of Aloha Mtg.	Pasco Residence	4:00 pm	The Journey	Gard A
6:00 pm	AA Mixed	Gard B			

# **Prayer Concerns**

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

Linda Anderson (Stocksdale) Eadie Hezlep (Biggar) Marvel Anderson (Shelton) Connie Hutchinson Amy Bolls (Lechner) (Nunnikhoven) 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) Laura Clark (Borg) Bobby Pilkerton (LeBlanc) Annie Coleman (Coleman) Paxton Politski (Fair) Rich Ellis (LeBlanc) Richard Reid (Gregory's Gary Fong (Ehlers) brother) Lena Grassmeyer (Imfeld) George Rihovsky Dave Hensiek (Flannery) Carol Roane (Troester) Bob Hezlep (Biggar) 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