

Laguna Niguel Presbyterian Church

A Service for the Worship of God Sunday • July 29, 2007 • 10:30 am

*For those who are able, please stand.

Please turn your cell phones off prior to entering the Worship Service

“It is not what men eat, but what they digest that makes them strong; not what we gain, but what we save that makes us rich; not what we read, but what we remember that makes us learned; not what we preach or pray, but what we practice and believe that makes us Christians.”

— *Frances Bacon*

PRELUDE

Choral and Fuga from Sonata in D Minor
Suk Choi, Organist

by F. Mendelssohn

**CALL TO WORSHIP*

Paula Mathews

Leader: Open yourselves to the presence of God that you may be empowered to serve.

People: God calls us to trust with steady hearts and to serve with heartfelt compassion.

Leader: Seek to follow God, excited to know God fully. Look for ways to demonstrate your devotion to God.

All: God makes us to be the salt and lights to show God's love to the world.

**HYMN OF PRAISE 26*

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Loving God, come to us in the midst of our confusion to lead us to the good you have prepared for us. We confess that we have put our own pleasure ahead of your purposes. We have preferred our limited wisdom to your limitless revelation. We have followed our way of living instead of following yours. Forgive us and transform us so that we may become your salt and light to the world. Hear us now as we pray our silent prayers of confession . . . Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

People: *In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!*

Leader: God, who is with us in our weakness now grants strength and power to live as salt and light in our world.

All: *No eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love God.*

**PRAISE TO GOD (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.*

**AFFIRMING GOD'S GRACE*

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Dr. Randy Steele

MUSICAL OFFERING

God of My Praise with He Is Exalted
Family Choir

arr. Danny Zaloudik

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Stacy Podres

- *Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads*
- Children and Adults begin together in the Sanctuary for worship.
- Children (parents welcome also) come forward to the steps during Children's Message.
- After the Children's Message: Sunday School classes are held in the McCullen Center Building. (out the main sanctuary doors to your left).
 - *Preschool and Kindergarten age* will meet in the *Pre-K/Kindergarten Room (Sunshine Room)* located on the 1st floor.
 - *Grades 1-2* will meet in *Classroom #204 (The Forest)* (2nd floor).
 - *Grades 3-5* will meet in *Classroom #202 (The Ocean)* (2nd floor).
 - *Youth* will meet in the 2nd floor *Youth Room* (10:30 service only).
- *Parents must pick up and sign their children out from their respective classrooms.*
- *A quiet room is available in the rear of the Sanctuary.*

**HYMN OF PREPARATION 574* *Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak* CANONBURY LM

MORNING PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Duncan McColl

*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.*

PRAYER RESPONSE *Give Thanks* arr. Fred Bock
Suk Choi, Organ; Binh Vu, Piano

MINUTE FOR MISSION Don Boyd and Bob Macaulay

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY *Adagio* by Vivaldi
Huy The Nguyen, Soloist

**DOXOLOGY*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (In Unison)

*Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see
light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

SCRIPTURE READING *Matthew 5: 13-16* Pew Bible N.T. Page 4

SERMON “A Kingdom Perspective: Seeing the World through New Lenses” Dr. Randy Steele

This message from Jesus in the Beatitudes is about our need to change our perspective — how we see things and how we’re viewing the world.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (In Unison) Lines 65-76

*In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,*

*and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"*

**HYMN OF COMMITMENT 558*

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

BEECHER

**BENEDICTION*

(THE PRAYER TEAM IS AVAILABLE AFTER TODAY'S SERVICE BY THE
STAINED GLASS WINDOW ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE SANCTUARY)

**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. Amen, Amen

**POSTLUDE*

Lord Jesus Christ, Send Your Holy Spirit to Us

by J. S. Bach

Today's flowers are donated by Kristina and Andrew Chernick.
"In honor of our third wedding anniversary."

Today's Pastoral Deacons are Judy Grant (08:50)
Shirley and Bob Forshee (10:30)

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Nacho Calata.....	Sexton

"Remember, God loves you"

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