

# Laguna Niguel Presbyterian Church

A Service for the Worship of God  
Sunday • June 29, 2008 • 10:30 am

\*For those who are able, please stand.

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

When the troops came to the camp, the elders of Israel said, “Why has the LORD put us to rout today before the Philistines? Let us bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD here from Shiloh, so that he may come among us and save us from the power of our enemies.”

— *1 Samuel 4:3*

## *PATRIOTIC SING-A-LONG*

*Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory*  
*My Country, 'Tis of Thee*

Hymnal 416  
Hymnal 417

## *PRELUDE*

*March Magnifique*  
Suk Choi, Organist

by M. Williams

## *\*CALL TO WORSHIP*

Dick Kite

Leader: Come, with undivided attention to meet our God who calls us away from old routines. Let us look not just to things that are seen, but to realities that are unseen.

People: *For things that are seen are transient, but things that are unseen are eternal.*

Leader: Give thanks to God for all God's blessings. Give praise to God for God's presence with us this morning.

People: *God's steadfast love and faithfulness lift us up and save us. Let us worship God!*

*\*HYMN OF PRAISE 20*

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*  
Chancel Choir and Congregation

ODE TO JOY

*PRAYER OF ADORATION*

*MUSICAL OFFERING*

*King of Glory*

arr. Tom Fettke

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

*Loving God, we have wandered from your ways and pursued the gods of this world. We are more concerned with position and success than with service and faithfulness. We are frightened by the storms of life and begin to lose heart, as if we had no one but ourselves on whom to rely. We blame you for the destruction we bring on ourselves and challenge your design for living without trying it. Forgive us and hear us now as we offer our personal prayers of confession. . . . Amen.*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.  
People: *In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!*  
Leader: We are witnesses to all God has done in Christ.  
All: *Let us live as forgiven people.*

*\*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

*ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS*

*COMMISSIONING OF YOUTH MISSION TEAM*

*RECOGNITION OF GRADUATING SENIORS*

*CHILDREN'S MUSICAL OFFERING*     *Our Great God*     by Mac Powell and Juan Fr. Orta  
Heather and David Nielsen, duet

*CHILDREN'S MESSAGE*

Susie Hess

- *Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads.*

*\*HYMN OF PREPARATION 45*

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

NETTLETON

*OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND GIFTS*

*OFFERTORY*

*America, the Beautiful with Faith of Our Fathers*

arr. Greer and Walton

Judy Ruddiman, 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)*

*Living God, help us so to hear your holy Word that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe, and, believing, we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*SCRIPTURE READING*

1 Samuel 4:1-11

Pew Bible O.T. Page 247

*SERMON*

Jeff Crotty

*“Think Outside the Box”*

Our relationship with God is dynamic. When we live in that awareness our lives are empowered, energized, and uncomfortable. As the Israelites discovered, however, this dynamic relationship can be hijacked.

*\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 532*

*Be Thou My Vision*

SLANE

*\*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*

Today's Pastoral Deacons are Ana Seligman (08:50)  
Martha Richardson and Joie Hardie (10:30)

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**“Remember, God loves you”**

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