

Laguna Niguel Presbyterian Church

A Service for the Worship of God

Sunday • April 18, 2010 • 10:00 am

*For those who are able, please stand.

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

“Jesus said ... ‘Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.’”

— John 20:29

ORGAN PRELUDE

Prelude

by J. O. Armand

MORNING PRAISE

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Hallelujah (Your Love is Amazing)*

by Thomas O. Chisholm
by Doerksen & Brown

WELCOME

Dr. Randy Steele

**HYMN OF PRAISE #26*

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
Chancel Choir and Congregation

LAUDA ANIMA

**CALL TO WORSHIP*

Steve Galloway

Leader: God calls us to proclaim our faith, to put our trust in reality as yet unseen.

People: *We gather in the name of Jesus Christ who was raised from the dead and who is present with us.*

Leader: Let us open our hearts and receive all Christ has for us.

People: *We know God has expectations of us; we want to hear and respond.*

PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Loving God, we want the world to be different, but we resist changes in our own lives.

We want you to reign in our midst, but we want you to do it our way. We want to live by faith, but we are ruled by our doubts. As fearful as we may be, we dare, right now, to open the closed doors of our minds and hearts to let you in. Help us to find the new life Christ offers. 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: Jesus Christ lifts us above our fears to see the possibilities of life yet before us.

All: *Let us receive and use the new freedom we have been given, and rest in the assurance of God's continuing help.*

MUSICAL OFFERING

The Light of the World
Chancel Choir

by Don Besig

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Please complete the yellow cards provided.

Carl Hess

**HYMN OF PREPARATION #536*

Open Our Eyes, Lord

TRADITIONAL

SCRIPTURE READING

John 20:24-31

Pew Bible, N. T. Page 115

SERMON

"Doubting Our Doubts"

Dr. Randy Steele

Faith is not a proof or an explanation, and no amount of evidence can give it to you. Neither is faith an emotion, something you feel, or a matter of the heart. Faith is a choice. It's a matter of will. It is a choice that arises in the midst of your doubts, and in spite of the doubts.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (In Unison)

"A Brief Statement of Faith" (Lines 72-80)

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!

With believers in every time and place,

we rejoice that nothing in life or in death

can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING

His Eye is on the Sparrow
Judy Ruddiman, soloist

by Charles H. Gabriel

MORNING PRAYERS 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.

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

My Hope is in You
Chancel Choir

arr. Dennis Allen

**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*

**AFFIRMING GOD'S GRACE*

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Rev. Emily McColl

**HYMN OF RESPONSE #532*

Be Thou My Vision

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**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*

I Need Thee Every Hour

arr. Victor Labenske

Today's Pastoral Deacon is Veronica Skelton

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“Remember God loves you”

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