

Laguna Niguel Presbyterian Church

November 18, 2007

Welcome

If this is your first time at LNPC, **welcome!** LNPC helps equip people to live positive, transformed lives through the power of Christ within an inviting and caring community. Our prayer is that you will feel a part of our family through your participation with us today. We are here to support and encourage you in your faith journey. We look forward to becoming better acquainted with you in the near future. Again, welcome and God bless you richly!

Pastor Randy Steele



HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR OUR GUESTS AND MEMBERS REGARDING THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

- **Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads.**
Children (parents welcome also) come forward to the steps. After the Children's Message: Sunday School classes are held in the McCullen Center Building. (out the main 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 for active children is available in the rear of the Sanctuary.**

On Further Reflection...

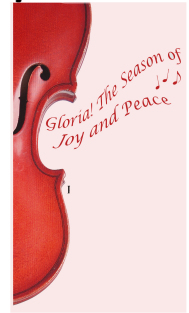
"Living as Forgiven People" Part one in the Series: Are Christians Perfect?

Read 1 John 1:5 through 2:2

- ❖ After we become Christians, when does God expect sin to disappear from our daily lives? Does it happen all at once or over time?
- ❖ How are we able to make a claim that we are purified of our sins (vs. 7)
- ❖ Do Christians have a "wild card" to live as they wish? (2:1)
- ❖ How does light help with the process of exposing sin?
- ❖ Is the forgiveness of Jesus available only for Christians? (2:2)
- ❖ Are we expected to have fellowship with other Christians? What should we do if those relationships are disrupted?

Gloria!

The Season of Joy and Peace



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SUNDAY NOTES

Large Print Sunday Bulletins are available at the ushers' counter.

POINSETTIAS

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia to decorate the Sanctuary during the Christmas season you may do so by filling out this form and returning it to the church office or place it in the collection plate. Your name and the name of your loved one will be printed in the Christmas Eve Bulletin

Poinsettia Order Form

Name: _____

Number of Poinsettias: _____ at \$10.00 each.

Giving in Honor of: _____

Giving in Memory of: _____

Laguna Niguel Holiday Parade – LNPC will be represented in this year's parade on Saturday, December 8. Any commission or person who would like to be included, contact Karen Skinner at 218-2505 or Janice Ehlers at 249-1218 x220.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday Morning Drop-In-Adult Bible Study – Sundays at 8:45 am or 10:30 am. **The Mystery of the Trinity** – The historic formulation of the Trinity is that God is one in essence and three in person. Though the formula is mysterious and even paradoxical, it is in no way contradictory. The unity of the Godhead is affirmed in terms of essence or being, while the diversity of the Godhead is expressed in terms of person. RC Sproul on a DVD will teach this course on the Trinity. Leader: Ron Reynolds.

Pastor's Bible Study – Come join Pastor Randy on Wednesdays at 7 pm in the Conference Room as we explore the book of Galatians.

Bethel Bible Study (Open to new students)
✦ The Old Testament – Wednesdays 9:30 am in the library. Taught by Debbie Perkins. This is the best place to start.
✦ The New Testament – Wednesdays, 9:30 am in Room 201. Taught by Jackie Settles.
✦ The New Testament – Mondays, 4 pm starts again on December 3 at Jackie Settles' home.

MINISTRIES



Angels Flying - Help us support Camp Pendleton families through purchasing Christmas gifts! Look for our Christmas tree with angels on the plaza Nov. 18 – Dec. 16. Take an angel and return your gift by Dec. 16. For more information, contact JoAnn Renning at 949/362-8270.

Camp Pendleton boxes - Take a few minutes to check your home for small things that could fit in boxes going to our deployed troops to brighten their holidays! Look for the list of items you can bring and our collection box on the plaza this Sunday and through the end of November! For more information, call JoAnn Renning at 949-362-8270.

South County Outreach – Need help handing out their Holiday Food baskets in their pantry. The schedule is: Monday, November 19 and Tuesday, November 20 from 9 am to 12:30 pm and 12:30 pm to 4 pm. Their December schedule is Monday December 10 through Friday, December 14 and

Monday, December 17 through Wednesday, December 19. Please contact Randy Free at 606-6859 if you are interested in helping our less fortunate neighbors.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Invite a Marine for Thanksgiving – Our men of the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines arrived safely home from Iraq at Camp Pendleton last week! We have an opportunity to thank these brave, young men by inviting two or more to join your Thanksgiving table. Please call John Humphrey (949) 218-5176 after services today if interested.

Fun Day with the YMCA - Come join the fun and help volunteer on December 15th. This is an annual event the YMCA hosts for their sponsored Foster Care programs. There will be approximately two hundred children and their associated mentors. We need volunteers to help with a variety of activities that include chaperoning, set up and take down after the event. If interested, please contact Peter Platt, pplatt@cox.net or (949) 235-0139.

LNPC Christmas Dinner - Mark your calendars now to be a part of the LNPC Christmas Dinner Celebration on Saturday, December 8. Our first course will begin with appetizers at the home of fellow LNPC members. Next we will travel to our church where we will enjoy our Christmas dinner and music celebration in Gard Hall. You have three opportunities to participate: Appetizers at the

home of fellow LNPC members around 5:30 pm; dinner and music celebration at Gard Hall around 7 pm; or you may participate in EITHER or BOTH. We will need volunteers to help execute the evening's dining experience. If you are willing to serve in the set-up, clean-up, music program design or are willing to be a host home for appetizers, please contact Ellen Hampsten 495-7306. Look for sign-up tables on the patio closer to the date.

Christmas Musical Festival “Gloria! The Season of Joy and Peace” – With accompaniment from the Festival Symphony Orchestra, the LNPC Chancel Choir, Worship Ensemble, Pathfinders' Children's Choir and Liturgical Dancers will present “Gloria! The Season of Joy and Peace” on December 1 at 7 pm and December 2 at 4 pm. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased between or after Sunday worship services or in the church office. A reception will follow both concerts. Please sign up to bring your favorite Christmas cookies.

Hanging of the Greens – It's that time of year again. Come join us for the annual Hanging of the Greens on Wednesday, November 28 at 6 pm. Pizza and drinks at 5:30 pm.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

Pathfinders Christmas Session – Next month, December 5 through December 17, children K through 5th grade are invited to learn about the Christmas story and practice music and the Nativity scene to be presented on Christmas Eve to the congregation. There will also be crafts, recreation and snacks. Bring a friend or two. Sign up with Janice Ehlers or Stacy Podres.

Agents in Action (Fall Pathfinders) - All kindergarten through 5th grade secret agents are being assigned a vital mission – attending Pathfinders on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 to 5:15 pm through November 28 (except Thanksgiving week.) Meet us out on the patio for snacks and recreation and then rotate through interactive Bible stories, music and craft time. Bring your friends and discover how Awesome God is!

ROCK – Jr. High Youth, Mondays 5:30 pm.

FISH – High School Youth, Wednesdays 7 pm.

THIS WEEK AT LNPC

Nov 18	COMMITMENT SUNDAY WORSHIP	Nov 21	WEDNESDAY
8:45 & 10:30 am	Drop-In Bible Study – Gard Hall	7 am	Men's Fellowship – Conference Room
8:50 & 10:30 am	Sunday Worship	9:30 am	Bethel NT – Adult Ed Room
10 am	Blood Pressure Screening	7 pm	Parenting Seminar – Gard Hall
Nov 19	MONDAY –	Nov 22	THURSDAY
1 pm	Staff Meeting	HAPPY THANKSGIVING	
4 pm	Confirmation Class – Garage	OFFICE CLOSED	
5:30 pm	ROCK – Garage	Nov 23	FRIDAY
7 pm	Mission & Issues	OFFICE CLOSED	
7:30 pm	Worship Ensemble – Sanctuary	Nov 24	SATURDAY
7:30 pm	Finance & Operations	2:30 pm	Wedding - Sanctuary
Nov 20	TUESDAY	Nov 25	SUNDAY HIGHLIGHTS
9:30 am	Wee Little Ones	8:45 & 10:30 am	Drop-In Bible Study – Gard Hall
10:30 am	Bible Study Brunch – Conference Room	8:50 & 10:30 am	Sunday Worship
7 pm	Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary	12 pm	Youth Commission – Conference Room
7 pm	Boy Scouts	2 pm	Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary

PRAYER CONCERNS

At Home	Family/Friends Continued
Astrid & Michael Brescia	Marjorie Crane
Maud DeKoning	Donna McCullen
Connie Peace	Marjorie Phillips
Ron Pearce	Bill Ruddiman
Jackie Settles	Irene Vorland
Jim Wilson	Brice Yoder
In Health Care Facilities	
Gladys Brassel	Dory Sargent
Willie Brown	
Family/Friends	
Kathy Anderson and family (sister of Carole Clement)	Trella Moyer (Marvel Anderson's sister)
Clara (Fu) Balaan (Lani Colley's mother)	Quinn James Paulson (Ann Paulson's grandson)
Joey Barnhart (Caroline and Joe Ditto's grandson)	Dirk Poeschel (Kathy White's brother)
Nancy Baumgart (friend of Claudia Vitalich)	David Riorden (Christine Clark's father)
Kathy Biewenga (friend of Debbie Perkins)	Stephen Roebuck (Kathleen Roebuck's son)
Ruth Bothwell (friend of the Forshee's)	Shelly Sanchez (Kathy Vangsnes' sister)
Russell Bowden (grandson of Carol Durst-Winther)	Spike Schultheis (former member)
Sean Burke (David Flower's brother-in-law)	Grayson Smiley & Mother (friend of Pat Knirk)
Connie Burns (friend of Claudia Vitalich)	Charlotte Tarling (friend of Ed and Carol Smith's daughter)
Jerry Christensen (Marie Kaufer's step-brother)	Kevin Wagner (Jean Shelton's cousin)
Joann Danner (Carol Durst-Winther's niece)	Bob Ward (Judie Ward's brother-in-law)
Matt Epperly (friend of Nancy Lacy)	Donald Weber, Jr. (Donald Weber's father)
Leonard Hurley (Valerie Weber's father)	Bill Weldon (Ethel Janik's brother-in-law)
Linda Hanson (John Flannery's friend)	Jim Williams (Robyn Williams' brother-in-law)
Sally Lee Howd (Mal and Doris Black's friend)	Sandra Wright
Barbara Katz (friend of Audrey Hart)	
Carole Larson (friend of Marie Kaufer)	
Karyn Lawless (JoAn & Jim Merklin's daughter)	
Jon Luczychi (Carol Luczychi's son)	
Denise McColl (Duncan McColl's relative)	
Nancy McHale (Michael Kamariotakis' dentist)	
Mary Morton (friend of Carol Zink)	
Nancy Moss (friend of Alice & Russ Yensen)	
	In Iraq
	PFC Michael Beach (Sue & Bob Kirkpatrick's nephew)
	Cpl. Matthew Carter (Lorelei Amador's nephew)
	Lt. Robby Crotty and Capt. Katie Crotty (Jeff Crotty's brother and sister-in-law)
	Maj. Wayne Lacey (Lani Colleys' brother-in-law)
	Maj. Craig Wiggers
	Our prayers and sympathies are with the families of Lance Corporal Jeremy Burris and Corporal Jeremy Albaugh who were killed in action, in Iraq.
	Both marines were with the 1st/4th Marines from Camp Pendleton which the Laguna Niguel Military Support Committee has adopted