

Laguna Niguel Presbyterian Church

A Service for the Worship of God

Sunday • November 1, 2009 • 10:00 am

*For those who are able, please stand.

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

“The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”

— 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

MORNING PRAISE

I Love to Tell the Story

by Catherine Hankey

WELCOME

**SONG OF DEVOTION AND PRAISE*

Put Your Hand in the Hand

by Gene Maclellan

The Night Blooming Jazzmen and Congregation

**CALL TO WORSHIP*

Susie Hess

Leader: Praise and thanksgiving are due to God this day; let us glorify our God together.

People: *The year is crowned with God's bounty; we have received abundance to be shared.*

Leader: The abundant grace of God is offered to all of us in Christ Jesus; give thanks that we are called to God's service.

People: *We marvel that God knows us and cares for us. God will direct us in new ways of living.*

PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION (Song)

Sweet Hour of Prayer

SWEET HOUR

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Gracious God, we confess that we sought to live life our own way. We are tempted to play God with our own lives and those of others. We have confused freedom with self-indulgence. We have put down others to gain status for ourselves. Forgive us and equip us for clear thinking, honest response, and loving service. 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: God receives and forgives us where we are,
and transforms and empowers us to move toward who we can be.
All: Let us live by the faith that makes us whole.

**AFFIRMING GOD'S GRACE*

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Please complete the yellow cards provided.

LNPC MINUTE FOR MISSION

Fred Ehlers

MUSICAL OFFERING

For the Beauty of the Earth

by Folliot Pierpoint

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**SONG OF PREPARATION*

What a Friend We have in Jesus

CONVERSE

MORNING PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Emily 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.

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

O Savior Dear

Words by Dale Evans

**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)

*Lord, open our hearts and minds
By the power of your Holy Spirit,
That as the scriptures are read
And your Word is proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today.
Amen.*

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 9:6-10

Pew Bible, N. T. Page 183

SERMON

“Enjoy Your Giving!”

Dr. Randy Steele

Paul claims, “The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly. The one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.” You sow a committed pledge to the Gospel. You reap bountiful joy as you watch the delight of Jesus Christ unwrapping your gift.

**SONG OF COMMITMENT*

His Eye is on the Sparrow

Civilla Durfee Martin

**BENEDICTION*

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

**POSTLUDE*

When the Roll is Called

J. M. Black

This morning we welcome the Night Blooming Jazzmen to our worship service. “The Nightbloomers” are a popular band the greater Los Angeles area and have played recently in our Sanctuary for a Habitat for Humanity fund-raising event. Today we will enjoy one of their specialties: to play spirituals and hymns in worship settings.

Today’s Pastoral Deacons is Carol Biggar.

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“Remember God loves you”

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