

Laguna Niguel Presbyterian Church

A Service for the Worship of God

Sunday • November 8, 2009 • 10:00 am

*For those who are able, please stand.

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

“Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had disappeared in the crowd that was there. Later Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, “See, you have been made well! Do not sin any more, so that nothing worse happens to you.”

The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.”

— John 5:13-15

MORNING PRAISE

Agnus Dei

Michael W. Smith

WELCOME

**SONG OF DEVOTION AND PRAISE*

Let the Worshippers Arise

by Michael Ferrin

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

arr. Paul Mills

Worship Ensemble and Congregation

**CALL TO WORSHIP*

Jo Ann Renning

Leader: Remember again the wonderful works of God; rejoice in the abundance of God's grace to us.

People: *God has blessed us beyond all deserving; how wonderful it is to recognize God's presence!*

Leader: The glory of God fills this place; let us respond together to God's steadfast love.

People: *Our hearts rejoice at the opportunity to witness to what we have heard and what we have experienced.*

PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Gracious God, how do you have time for us when we have given so little time to you? We have tried to live by our own designs rather than to seek your purposes. We have become stuck in our mistakes and have blamed you for them. We have been critical of others and have neglected our own shortcomings. Help us, Lord, to face our own need and embrace your grace. 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*

**SONG OF RESPONSE* *Mighty to Save* by Reuben Morgan

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Annie Boscardin

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Please complete the yellow cards provided.

**HYMN OF PREPARATION #694 (Vs. 1, 2) Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* AUSTRIAN

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY *Upon This Rock* by Pepper Choplin
Carol Stocksdale, Soloist and Chancel Choir

**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)

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life, through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 5:2-15

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SERMON

“There’s More to Healing than just Feeling Well”

Dr. Randy Steele

Jesus is now calling out to us as well. “Get up, take your mat, and walk again.”
Healing comes only by getting up, leaving the hurt behind, and walking back to life.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Emily McColl

The Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.

The Bread and The Cup

(As a sign of our unity in Christ, worshipers are asked to hold the bread until all have been served. As a sign of our individual commitment to Christ, you may take the cup after personal reflection when you are prepared to do so.)

Communion Prayer

**HYMN OF RESPONSE #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*

Fugue No. 2
Suk Choi, Organ

F. Mendelssohn

Today's Pastoral Deacon is Jill Bone

Our prayers and sympathies are with Greg Reid and his family
on the passing of his father, Frank (Marty) Reid.

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“Remember God loves you”

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