



# First United Methodist Church of Torrance Online Church in Worship

June 11, 2023

## PRELUDE - Hani

Nocturne in E minor

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## WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Come! Now is the time to worship!

**People: Come! Now is the time to worship!**

Leader: We gather today as people God calls to go and share the good news.

**People: We gather as God's sent-out people.**

Leader: We gather to listen and share God's work in our lives, our families, and our neighborhoods.

**People: We proclaim the goodness of God's love together.**

Leader: We gather to respond to God's grace as we continue on the path of discipleship.

**People: We hear God's call and learn to say "yes" to God together.**

Leader: We gather to again hear God's call to "Go!" as God commissions us to love God and neighbor in everything that we do.

**People: We go knowing that as God's called, gathered, and sent-out people, we are not alone as we carry the weight of God's call into the world together.  
Amen.**

*(Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries)*

## OPENING HYMN #98 *To God Be the Glory*

1. To God be the glory,  
great things he hath done!  
So loved he the world  
that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life  
an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate  
that all may go in.

***Refrain***

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father  
thru Jesus the Son,  
and give him the glory,  
great things he hath done!

2. O perfect redemption,  
the purchase of blood,  
to every believer  
the promise of God;  
the vilest offender  
who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus  
a pardon receives.

***Refrain***

3. Great things he hath taught us,  
great things he hath done,  
and great our rejoicing  
thru Jesus the Son;  
but purer, and higher,  
and greater will be  
our wonder, our transport,  
when Jesus we see.

***Refrain*****To God Be The Glory**

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**PASTOR'S TIME WITH THE CHILDREN****RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES AND BLESSINGS**

## JOYS AND CONCERNS / PASTORAL PRAYER / 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and glory forever. Amen.

## OFFERING

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## OFFERTORY MUSIC - Josh

**Kiss The Rain**

Yirma

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## DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow (Old 100th)**

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## OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of eternity and God of the next moment: we offer our gifts today having heard your call through Jesus to follow. Remind us again this day that being a follower doesn't end at the offering plate. There is a weight to this call – one that demands we not only say “yes” to following but that we also say “no” to thousands of things that will lead us away from the discipleship path. Guide us that we might not wander off that road. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

(Matt 9:9-13; 18-26)

**SCRIPTURE** Psalm 23 (NRSV)

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.  
2 He makes me lie down in green pastures;  
he leads me beside still waters;  
3 he restores my soul.  
He leads me in right paths  
for his name's sake.
- 4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley,  
I fear no evil;  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff—  
they comfort me.
- 5 You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.
- 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
my whole life long.

*Response*

The Word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem - Chancel Choir****Let there Be Singing**

Dale Wood

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**SERMON - Rev. Jacob Lee**

*The Places We Call Home*

**CLOSING HYMN #133** *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

1. What a fellowship,  
what a joy divine,  
leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness,  
what a peace is mine,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.

**Refrain**

Leaning, leaning,  
safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.

2. O how sweet to walk  
in this pilgrim way,  
leaning on the everlasting arms;  
O how bright the path  
grows from day to day,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.

**Refrain**

3. What have I to dread,  
what have I to fear,  
leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace  
with my Lord so near,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.

**Refrain****Leaning On The Everlasting Arms**

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**BENEDICTION****POSTLUDE - Hani****God Is Our Refuge and Strength**

Lani Smith

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