First United Methodist Church of Torrance Online Church in Worship

August 11, 2024

PRELUDE – Hani

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WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:	We gather today knowing there are people in our world who are surrounded by violence and conflict on every side.
People:	Our work of peace begins with prayer.
Leader:	We gather today knowing there are people in our community who feel lost,
	alone, abandoned, and forgotten.
People:	Our work of love begins with prayer.
Leader:	We gather today knowing there are people in this place, this neighborhood,
	this world that we all share who experience overwhelming grief, despair,
	and sorrow.
People:	Our work of hope begins with prayer.
Leader:	We gather not to look away from the world but to witness the needs of our
	neighbors through the lens of God's love.
People:	May we be a people who pray and, out of our praying, do the work of
	bringing peace, love, and hope to all we encounter. Amen.

(Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries)

OPENING HYMN #162 Alleluia, Alleluia (v. 1, 2, 4)

Refrain Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation.

Refrain

2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Jesus has died and has risen.

Refrain

4. Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior.

Refrain

Alleluia No. 1 (Alleluia Alleluia Give Thanks)

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VIDEO – Vacation Bible School

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TIME FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS and SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER DEDICATION

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

For those who are called and able, gifts and tithes can still be made through <u>online</u> giving, by mailing them in, and by dropping them off to the church office through the secure mail slot to the left of the double door entry to the church hallway.

OFFERTORY MUSIC - Anela

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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) Louis Bourgeois | Thomas Ken Public Domain

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of boundless love, in this sacred moment of giving, we come before you, recognizing your unwavering compassion and tender mercy. As we offer our gifts, we also lift our hearts in prayer for all who are burdened with pain and uncertainty. May your healing touch reach those in need and may your love bring comfort and strength to troubled hearts. We entrust our prayers to you, knowing that you hear and respond with boundless grace. Amen.

(2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33)

SCRIPTURE Mark 6:1-6*a* (NRSV)

1 He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. 2 On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! 3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. 4 Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." 5 And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. 6 And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Response The Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Congregational Anthem - HYMN #700 Abide with Me (v. 1, 3, 4, 5)

1. Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide. When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me. 3. I need thy presence every passing hour. What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

4. I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless; ills have no weight, and tears not bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

5. Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes; shine through the gloom and point me to the skies. Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

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SERMON - Rev. Jacob Lee

The Gospel of Mark: The Rejection

CLOSING HYMN TFWS #2140 Since Jesus Came into My Heart (v. 1, 2, 5)

1. What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought since Jesus came into my heart! I have light in my soul for which long I had sought, since Jesus came into my heart!

Refrain Since Jesus came into my heart, since Jesus came into my heart, floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll, since Jesus came into my heart.

2. I have ceased from my wandering and going astray, since Jesus came into my heart! And my sins, which were many, are all washed away, since Jesus came into my heart!

Refrain

5. I shall go there to dwell in that City, I know, since Jesus came into my heart! And I'm happy, so happy, as onward I go, since Jesus came into my heart!

Refrain

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POSTLUDE – Hani

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