



# First United Methodist Church of Torrance Online Church in Worship

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## PRELUDE - Hani

### Canto

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## WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

**Leader:** Easter people, raise your voices, for you belong to the Risen Christ!

**People:** We belong to Christ, and so we share in Christ together.

**Leader:** Just as we share in Christ together, so we are called to share Christ with the world.

**People:** We share Christ by proclaiming the good news of God's love to the world.

**Leader:** How will you share God's love with the world?

**People:** By loving, respecting, and honoring our neighbors, especially those the world neglects, overlooks, and ignores.

**Leader:** Easter people, you belong to the Risen Christ!

**People:** Because we belong to Christ, we will share Christ's love and belonging everywhere we go.

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

## OPENING HYMN #89 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,  
opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
fill us with the light of day!

2. All thy works with joy surround thee,  
earth and heaven reflect thy rays,  
stars and angels sing around thee,  
center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
chanting bird and flowing fountain,  
call us to rejoice in thee.

3. Thou art giving and forgiving, ever  
blessing, ever blest,  
well-spring of the joy of living,  
ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,  
all who live in love are thine; teach us  
how to love each other,  
lift us to the joy divine.

4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus  
which the morning stars began;  
love divine is reigning o'er us,  
binding all within its span.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
victors in the midst of strife;  
joyful music leads us sunward,  
in the triumph song of life.

### **Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee**

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## **MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION**

Poems read by Bradley, Rizal, and Anela

### **SPECIAL MUSIC - The Rejoice Singers**

#### **All Things Bright And Beautiful (Royal Oak)**

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## 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 [online 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 - Josh

**Kiss the Rain**

Yiruma

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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

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## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Compassionate Creator, in our communal life, may our actions, love, and giving reflect Christ's presence within us. Help us live in a way that displays Christ's life in us, showcasing love, respect, and hospitality. As we share and give, may it reflect not only on us but also glorify Jesus. Guide us in honoring one another and celebrating our commitments as part of our faith. In gratitude, abundance, and equity, we present these offerings, believing that sharing Christ is the most loving act. In the name of Jesus, our rock and redeemer, we pray. Amen.

*(John 17:6-19)*

**SCRIPTURE** 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (NRSV)

1 If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 2 And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. 3 If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

4 Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; 6 it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. 7 It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

8 Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. 9 For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; 10 but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. 11 When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. 12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known.

**Congregation**

13 And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

**Anthem - Chancel Choir****O Kind Jesus**

Music Robert Hunter, Arr. Carl Fischer

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**SERMON - Rev. Jacob Lee**

*Come and See Love and Be Love*

**Korean Hymn - Sung in Korean by Pastor Jacob**

1. Precious love, the love of mother, Broad and deep beyond all praise!  
Precious love, it stirs my spirit Gives me gladness all my days.  
Mother pray'd when I was weeping, Made my sorrows all her own;  
And when I was glad and smiling Sang her praises at the Throne.

2. Precious Book, my mother's Bible, Which she read me morn and night.  
Still I see her read, and, pausing, Call some treasure to my sight:  
"Whosoever but believeth Shall receive eternal life."  
Precious words of her reciting, Still my strength in mortal strife!

3. When I lie alone and troubled, Restless with exhausting fears,  
Mother's voice, in hymns she sang me, Echoes living in my ears:  
"From the rock flow springs of water; In the desert flowers grow."  
"Those who walk the way with Jesus Need fear nothing here below."

4. Mother's life was sweet and humble, Strong and firm in doing right.  
I can make my life worth living With her ever in my sight.  
Mother, in a world of tempests, Fought the good fight all her days;  
Soon, by streams of living water, I shall live with her always.

### **CLOSING HYMN #111** *How Can We Name a Love (v. 1, 2, 4)*

1. How can we name a Love  
that wakens heart and mind,  
indwelling all we know or think or do or seek or find?  
Within our daily world,  
in every human face,  
Love's echoes sound and God is found, hid in the common place.

2. If we awoke to life  
built on a rock of care  
that asked no great reward but firm, assured, was simply there,  
we can, with parents' names,  
describe, and thus adore,  
Love unconfined, a father kind, a mother strong and sure.

4. So in a hundred names,  
each day we all can meet  
a presence, sensed and shown at work, at home, or in the street.  
Yet every name we see,  
shines in a brighter sun:  
In Christ alone is Love full grown and life and hope begun.

#### **How Can We Name A Love (Terra Beata)**

Brian Arthur Wren | Franklin Lawrence Sheppard

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### **BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE - Hani**

**Crown Him with Many Crowns**

Arr. Jason D. Payne

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