



First United Methodist Church of Torrance Online Church in Worship

October 27, 2024

PRELUDE - Hani

Aria in F Major
G.F. Handel
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WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus is in our midst. Jesus, our healer, deliverer, and friend, is here.

All: We have heard so many good things about him, but we long to meet him, to encounter him ourselves.

Leader: Call out to him, and do not be silent. Like Bartimaeus, shout to him and do not allow anyone to silence your voice. Cry out and tell Jesus what you need!

All: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us! We need a touch from you! Touch me; touch us in our need, which we lift right now in our hearts!

Leader: In this time of worship, celebrate God's goodness! In this time celebration of worship, know that Jesus touched your place of need.

All: Hallelujah! Amen!

(Adapted from Lillian C. Smith, The Africana Worship Book, Year B)

OPENING HYMN #102 *Now Thank We All Our God*

1. Now thank we all our God,
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms
has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

2. O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us still in grace,
and guide us when perplexed;
and free us from all ills,
in this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given;
the Son, and him who reigns
with them in highest heaven;
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Now Thank We All Our God

Catherine Winkwörth | Johann Crüger | Martin Rinkart
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RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Congregational response

We give thanks for all that God has already given you
and we welcome you in Christian love.
As members together with you
in the body of Christ
and in this congregation
of The United Methodist Church,
we renew our covenant
faithfully to participate
in the ministries of the church
by our prayers, our presence,
our gifts, our service
and our witness,
that in everything God may be glorified
through Jesus Christ.

TIME FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

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 - P.A.L.A. Singers

Unknown

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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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Merciful God, you open our eyes to your truth, and we bring our gifts to you with gratitude. As we reflect on the story of Bartimaeus, we bring our offerings as a response to your call, a step in faith to follow you more closely. Use these gifts to spread your love and light, helping others to see your grace and mercy. Bless our giving and open our hearts to see the needs around us so that we may serve with compassion and humility. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

(Mark 10:46-52)

SCRIPTURE Romans 12:9-13 (NRSV)

9 Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; 10 love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. 11 Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord.^a 12 Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. 13 Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Response

The Word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

Anthem - Chancel Choir

I Shall Not be Moved

Arr. Alice Parker

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SERMON – Rev. Jacob Lee

Joy Together (1)

CLOSING HYMN #670 *Go Forth for God (v. 1, 4)*

1. Go forth for God, go to the world in peace;
be of good courage, armed with heavenly grace,
in God's good Spirit daily to increase,
till in the kingdom we see face to face.
Go forth for God, go to the world in peace.

4. Go forth for God, go to the world in joy,
to serve God's people every day and hour,
and serving Christ, our every gift employ,
rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power.
Go forth for God, go to the world in joy.

Go Forth for God

John Raphael Peacey

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BENEDICTION**POSTLUDE – Hani****Fanfare**

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