



# First United Methodist Church of Torrance

## Online Church in Worship

February 12, 2023

### PRELUDE - Hani

**Andante D Major (1823)**

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### WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Are you awake? Are you alert?

**People: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.**

Leader: Are you watching the signs? Are you interpreting what is happening today?

**People: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.**

Leader: Do you see opportunities for ministry? Do you see the poor, the homeless, the hungry, the needy?

**People: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.**

Leader: Come, let us worship and let us work in the reign of God.

**People: Christ has extended the invitation: let us work together in the reign of God on earth.**

*(Rev Mindi, From Discipleship Ministries)*

### OPENING HYMN #400 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

1. Come, thou Fount of every blessing,  
tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
mount of thy redeeming love.

2. Here I raise mine Ebenezer;  
hither by thy help I'm come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wandering from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger,  
interposed his precious blood.

3. O to grace how great a debtor  
daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,  
bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart, O take and seal it,  
seal it for thy courts above.

### **Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing**

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## **PASTOR'S TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

### **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 - Marshall and Richard**

#### **Shine On Us**

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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

Holy God, as we offer to you gifts from the abundance you have provided us, we recognize that the offering that concerns you is more than what is in our wallets and purses, but in our hearts. You desire from us hearts that are a fit place for you to live and dwell. Help us to clear out long-held anger, resentments, prejudice, and hate. Help us to furnish our hearts with love, mercy, justice, compassion, and forgiveness so they might be a place where you feel welcome and at home. Help us present this offering as well. In Jesus, we pray. Amen.

*(Matthew 5:21-37)*

## SCRIPTURE Colossians 3:12-17 (NRSV)

12 As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. 13 Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. 14 Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. 15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. 17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

*Response:*

The Word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God.**

## Anthem - Chancel Choir

**Let There be Peace on Earth**

Jill Jackson | Sy Miller

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## SERMON - Rev. Jacob Lee

*As God's Chosen Ones*

## CLOSING HYMN #467 *Trust and Obey* (v. 1, 2, 4)

1. When we walk with the Lord  
in the light of his word,  
what a glory he sheds on our way!  
While we do his good will,  
he abides with us still,  
and with all who will trust and obey.

**Refrain**

Trust and obey,  
for there's no other way  
to be happy in Jesus,  
but to trust and obey.

2. Not a burden we bear,  
not a sorrow we share,  
but our toil he doth richly repay;  
not a grief or a loss,  
not a frown or a cross,  
but is blest if we trust and obey.

**Refrain**

4. Then in fellowship sweet  
we will sit at his feet,  
or we'll walk by his side in the way;  
what he says we will do,  
where he sends we will go;  
never fear, only trust and obey.

**Refrain****When We Walk With The Lord (Trust And Obey)**

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**BENEDICTION****POSTLUDE - Hani****Trumpet Tune on "Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah" (Psalm 146)**

Larry Visser

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