

First United Methodist Church of Torrance Online Church in Worship

July 20, 2025

PRELUDE - Hani

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

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WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Children of God, in Jesus, Love became flesh and moved into the

neighborhood.

All: We gather to worship Christ, the image of the invisible.

Leader: In Jesus, we meet the fullness of God with no barriers to access.

All: We gather to worship Christ, the image of the invisible.

Leader: In Jesus, our separation from God, neighbor, self, and creation has been

removed. We are free for divine and loving connection once again.

All: We gather to worship Christ, the image of the invisible.

Leader: Children of God, come! Come, let us worship God, whose power makes Love

visible to us so that we might reflect Love to the world.

All: Come, let us worship Christ, Love who came to dwell among us and within

us!

(Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries)

OPENING HYMN #155 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (v. 1, 2, 4, 6)

1. All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall, let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

2. Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, ye ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

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4. Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

6. O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall, we at this feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name (Diadem) Edward Perronet | James Ellor | John Rippon

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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 <u>online</u> <u>giving</u>, 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 - Presenter

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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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy and Reconciling God, in Christ, you have made the invisible visible, bringing us home with love beyond measure. As we offer these gifts, may they reflect our gratitude for your presence in our lives. Use them to build your kingdom, to restore what is broken, and to remind the world of your grace. May our giving be an act of thanksgiving, a sign of the ordinary magic of your love at work among us. In all things, may we live to your glory. Amen.

(Colossians 1:15-28)

SCRIPTURE Exodus 3:7-15 (NRSV)

7 Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, 8 and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. 9 The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. 10 So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." 11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" 12 He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

13 But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" 14 God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" 15 God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

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

Anthem - Chancel Choir

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SERMON - Rev. Jacob Lee

Do We Need? (2): Reclaiming Identity

CLOSING HYMN #357 Just as I Am, Without One Plea (v. 1, 3, 5, 6)

- 1. Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidst me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 3. Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 5. Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 6. Just as I am, thy love unknown hath broken every barrier down; now, to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just As I Am

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