



First United Methodist Church of Torrance

Online Church in Worship

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PRELUDE - Hani

Pastorale

Melanie Bonis

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WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Beloved, God's wisdom guides us to reflect, yes, but also to act. Will you be people who act with wisdom?

All: We will respond to wisdom's call with our actions.

Leader: God's wisdom may call you to speak when it's safer to be silent, to resist when it's easier to back down. Will you be a people who act with wisdom?

All: We will respond to wisdom's guidance wherever it takes us.

Leader: God's wisdom may call us to accountability, to recognize and reconcile when we have missed the mark, and to hold others accountable when they do harm. Will you be a people who act with wisdom?

All: We will respond to wisdom's counsel with humility and grace.

Leader: Beloved, this is the time, here and now and in every moment after, to live out God's uncommon wisdom in the world.

All: We will follow the path of God's love with wisdom as our guide. Amen.

(Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries)

OPENING HYMN #77 *How Great Thou Art* (v. 1, 3, 4)

1. O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;
How great thou art, how great thou art!
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How great thou art, how great thou art!

3. And when I think that God, his son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin;

Refrain

4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim, my God how great thou art!

*Refrain***How Great Thou Art**

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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 [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.**A Sacrifice Of Praise**

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

Gracious and transforming God, you clothe us in grace and love. Receive these gifts as signs of our desire to live into Christ's vision of your beloved community. Baptized into your peace and justice, may we shed old divisions and embrace the unity you intend for all people. Use these offerings to build bridges, mend hearts, and proclaim that in Christ, all are one—equal, cherished, and free. May our giving reflect the boundless love you pour into us. We pray this in the name of the one who makes us whole. Amen.

(Galatians 3:23–29)

SPECIAL MUSIC – Josh

Gathered in the Love of Christ

Adapted from the Pachelbel Canon

Marty Haugen | Arr. Paul Tate

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SCRIPTURE Romans 12:14–21 (NRSV)

14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. 15 Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. 16 Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. 17 Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. 18 If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. 19 Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” 20 No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Response

The Word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

Anthem – Chancel Choir, Solo by Marcia

We Are Not Alone

Pepper Choplin

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SERMON – Rev. Jacob Lee

Faith In Action?

CLOSING HYMN #377 *It Is Well with My Soul* (v. 1, 4)

1. When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

4. And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
the trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
even so, it is well with my soul.

*Refrain***It Is Well With My Soul**

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BENEDICTION**POSTLUDE - Hani****Postlude on "Fiducia"**

Arr. Tom Birchwood

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