



# First United Methodist Church of Torrance Online Church in Worship

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## PRELUDE - Hani

**I Will Lift Up My Eyes**

Arr. Gary Davidson

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## WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Easter people, no matter the bends and curves in our path, Jesus does not leave us alone on this journey of faith.

**All: God gives us the Spirit, our Advocate and Helper.**

Leader: The Spirit lives in and among us, pointing us all toward the way, the truth, and the life of Jesus.

**All: God gives us the Spirit, our Guide and Guardian.**

Leader: The Spirit draws us into God's story, showing us how to cooperate in writing God's dream into reality.

**All: God gives us the Spirit, our Dream-Giver and Story-Keeper.**

Leader: Easter people, God's story abides in you, calling you to live as co-creators of love and abundant life.

**All: We come to worship God and listen for the Spirit who inspires, guides, and helps us join in God's story, until God's kingdom comes on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.**

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

## OPENING HYMN #140 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

### *Refrain*

Great is thy faithfulness!

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Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness,  
Lord, unto me!

2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

*Refrain*

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

*Refrain*

### **Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

Thomas Obediah Chisholm | William Marion Runyan  
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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**

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### **OFFERTORY MUSIC - Hani**

#### **It Is Well With My Soul**

Philip P. Bliss | Arr. John Purifoy

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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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**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Abiding Spirit of Love, you have not left us orphaned. Even in our uncertainty, you draw near, whispering truth, stirring memory, teaching us to live as those who know we are loved. As Jesus offered himself in love and obedience, so we offer these gifts today—not out of obligation, but as signs of our love and trust. Take them, bless them, use them—to remind the world that Christ’s story abides in us. May your Spirit strengthen us to live what we give and give what we believe. In the name of the one who promised never to leave us. Amen.

*(John 14:15-21)***SCRIPTURE John 6:1-13 (NRSV)**

1 After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. 2 A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. 3 Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. 4 Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. 5 When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” 6 He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. 7 Philip answered him, “Six months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” 8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, 9 “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” 10 Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. 11 Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. 12 When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” 13 So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets.

*Response*

The Word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God.****Anthem - Chancel Choir****Let There Be Peace on Earth**

Sy Miller | Jill Jackson | Arr. William Stickles

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**SERMON – Rev. Jacob Lee***Ordinary Love, Extraordinary Grace***CLOSING HYMN #581** *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service* (v. 1, 2)

1. Lord, whose love through humble service  
bore the weight of human need,  
who upon the cross, forsaken,  
offered mercy's perfect deed:  
we, your servants, bring the worship  
not of voice alone, but heart,  
consecrating to your purpose  
every gift that you impart.

2. Still your children wander homeless;  
still the hungry cry for bread;  
still the captives long for freedom;  
still in grief we mourn our dead.  
As, O Lord, your deep compassion  
healed the sick and freed the soul,  
use the love your Spirit kindles  
still to save and make us whole.

**Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service**

Albert F. Bayly | B.F. White | Ronald A. Nelson

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**BENEDICTION****POSTLUDE – Hani****With a Song Ringing**

Lani Smith

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