TUSTIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WORSHIP



January 5, 2025

Communion

10:00 a.m.

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

The livestream for this service can be accessed from our main YouTube page: http://bit.ly/TPC-YouTube-Page The livestream will begin several minutes before the service begins. Feel free to tune in whenever you are ready. If you prefer to view the service later, the video will be available soon after the service has concluded.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

No matter where you come from or where you're going, no matter what you believe or what you doubt, no matter what you feel or just don't feel today, no matter whom you love, you are welcome into this space to be met by a God who knows you by name, who knows your heart, who knows your mind, and...who wants to have a relationship with you

When the prelude begins, please silence your cell phones and prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

PRELUDE

Josef Haydn (1732-1809)

Andantino

Dr. Hye Kyung Lee, Organ

IN THE LIFE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Joseph Price

This is the year the Lord has begun; **let us renew our faith in God.** This is the day the Lord has made; **let us give thanks and sing for joy.** And this is the hour the Lord has quickened; **let us gather to worship God.** Praise be to the One whose Spirit guides us in this hour, during this day, and throughout this new year.

* **OPENING HYMN**

Hymn No. 102



* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Norma Patton, Liturgist

O God of history and of hope, we come this morning with penitent hearts to confess our errant actions and inactions in responding to your guidance through your Word and Spirit. We confess that we have sulked when we should have celebrated. That we have been greedy when we should have been giving. That we have let our lethargy deter us from loving acts. Restore in us the freshness and fullness of faith. so that we may pursue the just ways of kinship with You.

A moment of silence follows for personal confession.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news: When we abide in Christ and His words reside in us, we experience the fullness of forgiveness and the joy of salvation. *Amen*

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. *And also with you*



The people share God's peace.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Enlighten our hearts and minds, O Lord. so that we may discern the guidance afforded through Your Word. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Old Testament, Page 10

Genesis 12:1-10

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

⁴So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan,

⁶Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷Then the LORD appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. ⁸From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the LORD and invoked the name of the LORD. ⁹And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb. ¹⁰Now there was a famine in the land. So Abram went down to Egypt to reside there as an alien, for the famine was severe in the land.

ANTHEM

Everett Titcomb (1884-1968)

I Will Not Leave You Comfortless

TPC Chancel Choir

I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you yet again. Alleluia. And your heart shall be joyful. Alleluia.

SECOND LESSON

New Testament, Page 2

Matthew 2:13-22

¹³Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." ¹⁴Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, ¹⁵and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son."

¹⁶When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. ¹⁷Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah: ¹⁸"A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more."

¹⁹When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, ²⁰"Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." ²¹Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. ²²But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Joseph Price

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almightv, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Hal H. Hopson (b. 1933)

Now Thank We All Our God

TPC Chancel Choir

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, hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today. 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 in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next. All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven, to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given. The one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore, the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

> text by Martin Rinckart (1586-1649); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

*** OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

Hymn No. 708



* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We present these gifts, O Lord, to support Your work in familiar ministries and in missions yet unknown. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Choral Call to Prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.* Lift up your hearts. *We lift them up to the Lord.* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *It is right to give thanks and praise.*

Prayers of the People

We thank You for refreshing our spirits as this new year begins...

We solicit Your support as we resolve to be good and to do good...

We beseech Your guidance for governmental officials in our community, our state, and our nation...

We pray for those in need of safety and hope, especially for migrants and refugees...

We pray for comfort for those whose lives have been upended by injustice...

We pray for healing of every kind...

We pray for strength to fulfill new resolutions in faith...

We offer our hearts for You to change...

We offer ourselves to be bearers of Your Good News...

Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

Glory to God, Page 35

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.



Words of Institution

Sharing the Elements

Communion will be served in the following manner: The ushers will invite you to come forward via the center aisle. Rev. Joe Price will give you a piece of bread; then please take a communion cup from the tray, before taking Communion. Please hold the cup until all have been served so we may partake together. Then return to your seat by the side aisle. Gluten-free bread is also available.

Communion Anthem

Mary McDonald (b. 1956)

Come into God's Embrace

TPC Chancel Choir

The table of love, prepared for you; come to the feast of grace. Come, eat the bread; come, drink the wine; come into God's embrace. Lamb of God, Lamb of love, You took away our sin. Here we remember Your sacrifice, God's plan for all; forgive! His body, His blood are given for you; come to the feast of grace. Come, taste the bread; come, taste the cup; come into God's embrace. O Lamb of God, Lamb of love, You took away our sin. Here we remember Your sacrifice, God's plan for all: forgive! Come into God's embrace.

words by Herb Frombach (b. 1940)

Prayer After Communion

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* CLOSING HYMN

Hymn No. 321



* BENEDICTION AND BENEDICTION RESPONSE

During the postlude, please feel free to depart, or to remain and enjoy the music.

POSTLUDE

Andre Campra (1660-1744)

Rigaudon

Dr. Hye Kyung Lee, Organ

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