TUSTIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WORSHIP



April 6, 2025

Communion

10:00 a.m.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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

by John Scriveyner (1698-1790)

Tranquil Waters Dr. Hye Kyung Lee, Organ

IN THE LIFE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Steve

We will sing of the Lord's great love forever;

With our mouths we will make Your faithfulness known through all generations.

We will declare that Your love stands firm forever, And we will worship You with our whole hearts.

adapted from Psalm 89:1-2



* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, during this season when we contemplate what Your life on Earth means to our lives, we often fail to recognize all that You gave up to become one of us. We tend to think that Your coming to earth was really no big deal for You, and we assume that the choice You made was an easy one. When we have that attitude the result is that we fail to understand the immenseness of Your sacrifice and the depth of the love You have for us. Forgive us for underestimating the greatness of Your gift, and continue to be patient with us as we begin to comprehend the depth of your love. This we pray in Your name, Amen.

A moment of silence follows for personal confession.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God has loved us since the beginning, and God's love for us will never end. Do not fear, therefore, but have faith in God's steadfast love, God's healing power, and God's ability to make all things new. *Amen.*



WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O Lord, who knows our hearts and minds, grant us wisdom, we pray, that we may discern Your way to live straightforwardly and justly amid the struggles of this world. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Old Testament, Page 313

I Kings 8:54-61

⁵⁴Now when Solomon finished offering all this prayer and this plea to the LORD, he arose from facing the altar of the LORD, where he had knelt with hands outstretched toward heaven; ⁵⁵he stood and blessed all the assembly of Israel with a loud voice: ⁵⁶"Blessed be the LORD, who has given rest to his people Israel according to all that he promised; not one word has failed of all his good promise, which he spoke through his servant Moses. ⁵⁷The LORD our God be with us, as he was with our ancestors; may he not leave us or abandon us, ⁵⁸but incline our hearts to him, to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, his statutes, and his ordinances, which he commanded our ancestors.

⁵⁹Let these words of mine, with which I pleaded before the LORD, be near to the LORD our God day and night, and may he maintain the cause of his servant and the cause of his people Israel, as each day requires; ⁶⁰so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the LORD is God; there is no other. ⁶¹Therefore devote yourselves completely to the LORD our God, walking in his statutes and keeping his commandments, as at this day."

ANTHEM

by Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672) arr. Richard D. P. Jones (b. 1948)

Praise to Thee, Lord Jesus

TPC Chancel Choir

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:1-8

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, ²make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. ⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

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

SERMON

Pastor Steve

Growing Up - Stepping In to Maturity

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, 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

by Philip James (1890-1975)

By the Waters of Babylon

TPC Chancel Choir



Hymn No. 708, Verse 1



* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O Source of all good: Guide us to use these gifts to express gratitude for all that You have given to us. 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 the patience You show us...

- We pray that You will teach us how to wait on You during this Lenten season...
- We ask that You speak clearly to us during this time of contemplation...
- We pray for every kind of healing for all of us...
- We pray for those who feel lost...
- We pray for those who need strength through difficult times...
- We offer thanks for providing us with the privilege of giving...

We offer thanks for the wisdom Your Spirit gives...

We offer our hearts for You to change...

We offer ourselves to be Your hands, feet and voices...

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.

Communion Response

Hymn No. 497, Refrain



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. Pastor Steve will give you a piece of bread; then take a cup from the tray, before taking Communion. Please hold the cup until all have been served so we may partake together. Return to your seat by the side aisle. Gluten-free bread is also available.

Communion Anthem

by Alfred M. Smith (1879-1971) arr. W. Glen Darst (c. 1896-1986)

Blessed Jesus

TPC Chancel Choir

Prayer After Communion

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* CLOSING HYMN Hymn No. 223 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross 1 When Ι sur - vev the won - drous cross on which the 2 For - bid it, Lord, that should boast, T save in the 3 See. from his head. his hands, his feet. sor - row and 4 Were the whole realm of na ture mine, that were a Prince of died, rich - est gain glo ry my of all death Christ my God; the vain things that love flow min gled down; did e'er such love and love pres ent far too small; SO a - maz ing, 0 count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride. Ι his blood. charm me most, sac - ri - fice them to row meet, or thorns com - pose rich crown? SO a sor de - mands my life, all. SO di vine, soul, my my

* BENEDICTION AND BENEDICTION RESPONSE

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

POSTLUDE

by Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Dr. Hye Kyung Lee, Organ

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Easter Offering: The Easter Offering supports the Pastor's Discretionary Fund, a special account that we use to meet special needs not covered in the budget. Generous gifts to this fund have enabled us to offer food and shelter to the homeless, to minister in our local community, and to assist those in need with emergency help and to keep these needs confidential.