TUSTIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WORSHIP



December 29, 2024

10:00 a.m.

THE FIRST 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

J.S. Bach (1695-1750)

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Dr. Hye Kyung Lee, Organ

IN THE LIFE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Kass Kassouni

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set Your glory above the heavens.

From the lips of children and infants

You have ordained praise.

From our lips Your praise will come forth.

Let us worship our majestic God.

adapted from Psalm 8:1-2



* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Richard Derby, Liturgist

Lord, I know that You love me. I also know that there is no way that I can ever repay You for what You have done for me. But for some reason I keep trying. I act as if I were an intruder in the Kingdom, rather than a child of the King. Please open my eyes and help me to see the depth, and breadth and height of Your love for me, so that I can live as one who knows You will always love me. Amen.

A moment of silence follows for personal confession.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

All things, in heaven and on earth, are reconciled to God in Jesus Christ. Forgiveness is ours through faith in the Lord, in whom God was pleased to dwell. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. *Amen.*



WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Lori Ruff-Schmalenberger

The children will remain seated. Following the Children's Moment, the children are invited to be escorted to Sunday School.



PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Your Word, O God, has power to change our lives and to create a whole new world. As we meditate on Your Word this day, fill us with Your Holy Spirit, that we may treasure Your Word with our whole hearts and fix our eyes on You. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Luke 2:39-52

³⁹When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

⁴¹Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. ⁴²And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. ⁴³When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. ⁴⁴Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends.

⁴⁵When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. ⁴⁶After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.

⁴⁸When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." ⁴⁹He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" ⁵⁰But they did not understand what he said to them.

⁵¹Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵²And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

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



John Tavener (1944-2013)

The Lamb TPC Chancel Choir

Little Lamb who made thee. Dost thou know who made thee. Gave thee life & bid thee feed. By the stream & o'er the mead; gave thee clothing of delight, softest clothing wooly bright; gave thee such a tender voice, making all the vales rejoice! Little Lamb who made thee. Dost thou know who made thee. Little Lamb I'll tell thee, Little Lamb I'll tell thee! He is called by thy name, for He calls himself a Lamb: He is meek & He is mild, He became a little child: I a child & thou a lamb, we are called by his name. Little Lamb God bless thee. Little Lamb God bless thee.

text by William Blake

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Kass Kassouni

No Longer a Baby

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns

Choral Call to Prayer

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

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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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

O Nata Lux

TPC Chancel Choir

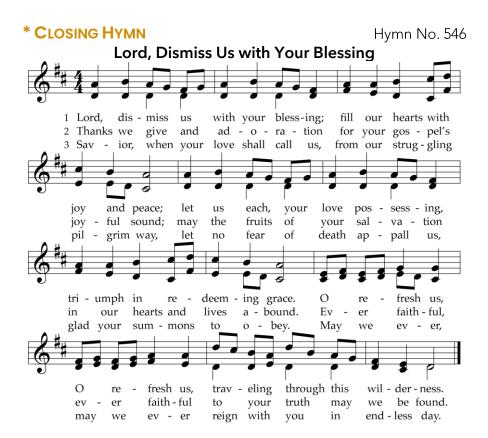
O Light born of Light, Jesus, redeemer of the world, with lovingkindness deign to receive suppliant praise and prayer. Thou who once deigned to be clothed in flesh for the sake of the lost, grant us to be members of thy blessed body.



* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Blessed are You, God of all creation; through Your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for Your glory and for the service of Your kingdom. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME



* BENEDICTION AND BENEDICTION RESPONSE

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

POSTLUDE

J.S. Bach (1695-1750)

Break Forth Into Joy

Dr. Hye Kyung Lee, Organ

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