



COMMUNITY CHURCH LEISURE WORLD

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A pathway into community

GROWING
Disciples in God's Love

SENDING
The Hope and Joy of Jesus

Our Vision: To Be Love to Leisure World

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Sunday Service: 9:50 AM
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9th Sunday After Pentecost



Rev. Johan Dodge

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OPENING ANNOUNCEMENTS — Rev. Johan Dodge

Good Morning and Welcome to Worship! Worship is often the first place that new people come into contact with this growing community of faith. And so, if you are joining us for the first time, I say to you what is said every Sunday: You are welcome here. Here is a place where all are welcome. For such is the love of God for God's Very Good Creation.

[please stand as you are able]

CALL TO WORSHIP: Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all crea - tures

here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye Heav'n - ly

host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY — Virginia Olejnik

Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kindom 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 kindom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

HYMN: "Just A Closer Walk with Thee"

I am weak, but thou art strong; (art strong,) Je - sus, keep me from all wrong; _____
Through this world of toil and snares, _____ If I fal - ter, Lord, who cares? _____
When my fee - ble life is o'er, _____ Time for me will be no more; _____

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I'll be sat - is - fied as long — (just as long) as I walk, let me walk close to thee.
 Who with me my bur - den shares? _____ None but thee, dear — Lord, none but thee.
 Guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er _____ to thy kin - dom — shore, to thy shore.

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Just a clos - er walk with thee, (with thee,) Grant it, Je - sus, is my plea, —

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Dai - ly walk - ing close to thee, — (to thee,) Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

[please be seated]

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION — Rev. Johan Dodge

***[A time of silence is kept between intercessions —
 please use that time to lift those on your heart this day.]***

Eternal God, your steadfast love endures forever.

We pray today for those who have been called or elected as leaders, that they may be guides by your voice and by the voices of their people.

We pray for the pastors and teachers of the church, especially our newly elected Bishops; that they may faithfully teach and empower those entrusted to them.

We pray for those who are poor and in need of assistance, and for ourselves that we may tenderly care for them.

We pray for the victims of war and other forms of violence, that we may be good news for them both in word and in deed.

We pray for the sick and infirm and those who are spiritually hungry, that we may be a message of compassion.

Good Shepherd, Source of Loving Kindness, bring us together through the teachings of Jesus and break down the dividing walls between us. Be our peace and by your Holy Spirit renew our citizenship in your Kin-dom. **Amen.**

[please stand as you are able]

HYMN: "It Is Well with My Soul"



1. When peace, like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, When sor - rows like
2. Though ev - il should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let this blest as -
3. Our faults - O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought, Our faults - not in
4. And, God, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled



sea - bil - lows roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast taught me to
sur - rance con - trol, That Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es -
part but the whole, For - give us our faults, may we bear them no
back as a scroll, Our voic - es re - sound and our God shall de -



say, "It is well, it is well, with my soul." _____ It is well _____
tate, And hath shared God's own love for my soul. _____ It is
more, For 'tis writ: "God is love," O my soul! _____ It is
scend, "E - ven so" - It is well with my soul. _____



PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION — Virginia Olejnik

Holy Spirit, come and dwell in us. Place Jesus in us so that he is the source of your spring of life that draws us together and transforms us into a sacred place where steadfast love and action will meet, and loving kindness and peace will kiss each other. We pray this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE — Virginia Olejnik

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" — a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands — ¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

MESSAGE: “2 B 1” — Rev. Johan Dodge

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION — Rev. Johan Dodge

The author of Ephesians told them they would be built into a dwelling place place for God. This dwelling place was not one built of cedar, it was to be a living, moving, and breathing place for God to dwell. How is God in the Holy Spirit living in you? What might you do to make more space for the Spirit in your life? What control do you need to turn over to God to allow the Spirit in?

REFLECTION: “All for Jesus” — Hannah Yi, *pianist*

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING — Virginia Olejnik

God spreads a table of blessings before us. Let us express our gratitude by giving a portion of what has been given to us.

[Ushers, please come forward]

OFFERTORY: “Split the Sea” — Jennifer Scoullar, *soprano*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING — Virginia Olejnik

God of green pastures and still waters, bless these gifts that we have been given that they may become part of your banquet for the world. Amen.

[please stand as you are able]

HYMN: "Let There Be Peace on Earth"



Let there be peace on Earth, and let it be - gin with me._____

9 Let there be peace on Earth, the peace that was meant to be._____

16 — With God, our Cre - a - tor,_____ we are fam - i - ly._____

25 Let us walk with each oth - er_____ in per - fect har - mo - ny._____

33 Let peace be - gin with me, let this be the mo - ment now;_____

41 With ev - 'ry step I take, let this be my sol - emn vow:_____ To

49 take each mo - ment and live each mo - ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly;_____

57 Let there be peace on Earth, and let it be - gin with me._____

BLESSING — Rev. Johan Dodge

We have been restored in the presence of our God. Let the Spirit build us together into a living dwelling – a living banquet for the world. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: "Blest Be the Tie that Binds"

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Blest Be the Tie that Binds". It is written for soprano and tenor voices with piano accompaniment. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piano part provides a harmonic foundation with chords and moving lines.

Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris - tian love: The
fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove. A - men.

Music Team: Jennifer Scoullar, *soprano* Dave Albulario, *tenor*
Hannah Yi, *pianist* John Fluker, *pianist*

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone,
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known ...
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

"All are welcome in this place."

Doxology (Old Hundredth LM)
Music by Louis Bourgeois, 1551
Words by Thomas Ken, 1674

"Just A Closer Walk with Thee"
Traditional African-American Folk Song
Add'l music and lyrics by Kenneth Morris

"It Is Well with My Soul"
Tune: *Ville du Havre* by Philip P. Bliss
Words by Horatio G. Spafford
Lyrics adapted by David Albulario

"All for Jesus"
Music by John Stainer
Piano arrangement by Fred Bock

"Split the Sea"
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"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (Dennis SM)
Music by Johann G. Nægeli, 1768-1836
Words by John Fawcett, 1740-1817
Arr. by Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

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PRAYER REQUESTS

If you are in need of prayer for any specific concerns or challenges, please contact the Church Office at 562-431-2503. We'll include your prayer request in this space.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Today's flowers are provided by Taylor White, and refreshments are provided by Joanna Matos. See the sign-up charts to provide refreshments or cover cost of altar flowers for future services. Altar flowers are \$35. Sandy Walker coordinates arrangements.

PEGGY COLES – A CELEBRATION OF LIFE: On Saturday, July 27, 2024 at 11:30 AM, a Celebration of Life will be held at LWCC to honor the memory of our dear **Peggy Coles**, who passed away in April. Those who wish to attend are asked to contact Debbie Chaput, Peggy & Don's daughter, at 626-298-3581 to RSVP, so they can plan accordingly. The event will be in the church, and a reception will follow immediately after in Edgar Hall.

CAMILLI TRIO CONCERT: Mark your calendars for Sunday, July 28th at 3 PM, when LWCC welcomes **The Camilli Trio** for an afternoon concert performed by violinist Ken Aiso, cellist Jerome Kessler, and pianist Valeria Morgovskaya playing the music of Joseph Suk, Vaja Azarashvili, and Ludwig van Beethoven. Tickets are \$15 for seniors/students, \$20 general. Our **ALL-Are-Welcome Ticket Program** is in full-effect, so if the ticket price is a challenge, just call the church office at 562-431-2503 for a sponsored ticket. Likewise, if you wish to buy a ticket for someone else, please call the church office.

SOUTH SIDE JAZZ: Back by Popular Demand! **South Side Jazz** plays it all: cool jazz, funky jazz, and more. A group of versatile entertainers who love to branch out to play all different genres. They've been known to sneak in a little bit of rock-n-roll when needed – just a touch to keep the crowd moving. Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 11th at 3 PM. This time they will be playing in Edgar Hall and the patio will be open for dancing. Don't miss out on this fun afternoon!

**"RETURNING HATE FOR HATE
MULTIPLIES HATE, ADDING
DEEPER DARKNESS TO A
NIGHT ALREADY DEVOID OF
STARS. DARKNESS CANNOT
DRIVE OUT DARKNESS;
ONLY LIGHT CAN DO
THAT. HATE CANNOT
DRIVE OUT HATE,
ONLY LOVE CAN
DO THAT."**

MLK

**"Control
how you
respond to
things sent
to destroy
your peace."**

Unknown

I have no energy
for hate- I either love you,
wish you well, or hope
you heal.

@_PAMMY_DS

**Why do we
only rest in peace?
Why don't we live
in peace too?**

*Power of
Positivity*

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July 21, 2024



**GROW
PRAY
STUDY**

Notes from the Service

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My Prayers this week:

Prayer Journal

Use these prayers in your time with God each day.

Household Prayer: Morning

Loving God, I praise you as I rise from my bed. As the morning dew glistens and songbirds greet the day, let my prayers go up to you. Awaken my body to the wonder of life and fill my spirit with the joy of your presence. I seek your guidance as I prepare for activity; instruct me on what is necessary and what is fruitless so that I may wisely use the gifts you have blessed me with. Help me to see all people as your beloved children, some needing care, some needing forgiveness, all deserving dignity, respect and hospitality. In all events, grant me the comfort of your presence so that I can faithfully hear your desire for my life. Let me bear witness to your goodness in my words, my actions, and silences so that you can use me to draw others into your presence. Amen.

Household Prayer: Midday

Holy God, thank you for the gift of this new day. Please help me to stay mindful of your creation and your teaching of love as I continue through this day. May your Holy Spirit empower me to see and spread the good news of your love for all people and creation. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Majesty of love, thank you for another day lived in your grace. Thank you for all whom I met who showed me your kindness. Let me enjoy this night with the burdens of the day lifted from me, and the comfort of your peace as a pillow for my head. If it is your will, speak to me as I sleep, and let me remember your words as I rise to a new day to give you praise again. Amen.