

COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Disciples in God's Love

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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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July 6, 2025

4th Sunday After Pentecost

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Rev. Johan Dodge

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 — Phyllis Spencer

Loving God, you send us out into the world as your apostles. As we go out, we are the body of Christ bringing your kin-dom to fruition. Through your Holy Spirit may we be a healing presence that provides a sense of safety, calm and peace to those we encounter this week. Amen.



HYMN: "Go to the World!"

Unis.

1. Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth. Go
 2. Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place. Go
 3. Go to the world! Go strug - gle, love and pray; the
 4. Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for

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preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth, bap -
 live the Word of God's re - deem - ing grace. Go
 nights of tears give way to joy - ous day, As
 I am with you 'til the age shall end, When

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tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
 seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
 ser - vant Church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
 all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men!"

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Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

[please be seated]

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION — Rev. Johan Dodge

[A time of silence is kept after each petition.]

Let us pray for the needs of the world.

God of prophets and of disciples, you have heard the plea of your people throughout the ages. Hear us now, as we present to you that which weighs upon our hearts.

Hear us as we pray for those who are sick. Grant them hope, that they may experience through your presence, and the presence of others, your comfort and support. Grant them patience, they they may live in your time and in your will.

Hear us as we pray for those who live in constant conflict. Bring your wisdom to their lives. Enable your people to learn from you, that we might learn to let go of our anger and embrace the gifts of reconciliation and peace you taught through Jesus.

Hear us as we pray for those who have been imprisoned by temptation and the sin of power. Lead us to examine ourselves and our lives to see how and why we turn a blind eye or fall into temptation ourselves. Give us empathy to understand and the courage to work to free those imprisoned.

Holy God, we pray for your beautiful creation. Give us the courage to be sent out into the world where life can be and often is challenging, even as others are watching us as we witness and act, ever ready to mock us for our compassion.

Give us your wisdom, that we would better reflect your actions of love and mercy, so that your creation might understand what your kin-dom is all about. We pray all of this in the name of the one who taught us the way forward, Jesus. **Amen.**

[please stand as you are able]

HYMN: "It's Me, It's Me, O Lord"

Refrain

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in 2/2 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, featuring a mix of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words in parentheses indicating alternative phrasing. The score ends with a double bar line.

It's me (it's me), it's me, O Lord, stand - ing in the need of pray'r.

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It's me (it's me), it's me, O Lord, stand-ing in the need of pray'r. —
Hal-le-lu-jah, Lord, it's me!

Fine

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1. Not my broth-er, not my sis-ter,
2. Not the preach-er, not the deac-on,
3. Not my fath-er, not my moth-er, } but it's me, O Lord,

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stand-ing in the need of pray'r. — { Not my broth-er, not my sis-ter,
Not the preach-er, not the dea-con,
Not my fath-er, not my moth-er, } but it's

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me, O Lord, stand-ing in the need of pray'r. —

D.C. al Fine

[please be seated]

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION — Phyllis Spencer

Holy Spirit, Universal Christ, you were there as the breath over the face of the waters at creation and you continue to abide with us to provide inspiration, motivation, wisdom, and comfort. Guide us today, as we listen to the Word read and proclaimed, and fill us with understanding and with the desire to change. We are here and we are listening. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE — Phyllis Spencer

Galatians 6:7-16

⁷Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh, but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and especially for those of the family of faith. ¹¹See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹²It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything, but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Luke 10:1-11

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ ⁶And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God is at hand for you.’ ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God is at hand.’

MESSAGE: “At Hand?” — Rev. Johan Dodge

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION — Rev. Johan Dodge

God loves and asks that we go out into the world and love others. How are you a loving person? What situations around you are in need of love? How can we be agents of love in the coming season?

REFLECTION: “Create in Me a Clean Heart” — Hannah Yi, *pianist*

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING — Phyllis Spencer

God has given us healing, word, forgiveness. God has given us so much!
Let us now take the time to respond in gratitude, by giving of what has been
given to us. **Amen.**

[Ushers, please come forward]

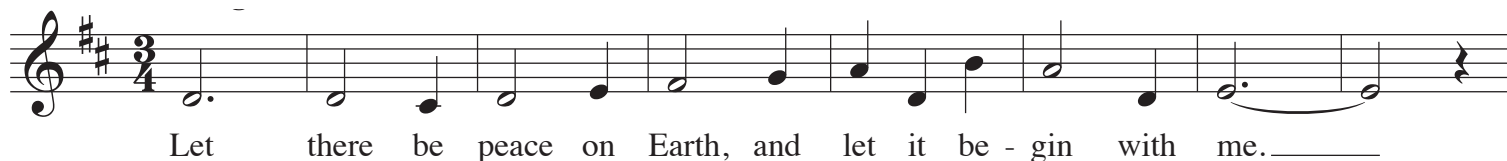
OFFERTORY: “Though the Mountains May Fall” — Dave Albulario, *tenor*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING — Phyllis Spencer

**Your Church exalts you! In your mercy, you have given us life
everlasting, you have given us freedom from death, and you have
favored us. In your love, you have given us the strength to stand up
and continue our journey. In your wisdom, you have taken a chance on
us, by allowing us to be part of your holy plans and your message.
Help us to use these gifts you have given us with mercy, love, and
wisdom, so that we can continue to honor the trust you have put on us.
In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

[please stand as you are able]

HYMN: “Let There Be Peace on Earth”



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

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

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

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

BLESSING — Rev. Johan Dodge

My siblings, there is a need for peace in the world. People are sick and in need of solace. God calls us to go and labor in the harvest. Don't hesitate! Don't be weary! Jesus has promised that he will give us the power needed to do the work that is ours to do. And so, may the God who heals fill you with hope, so that you may face life's uncertainties. May the teacher, Jesus, send you out as Apostles certain of his teachings and the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, such that you are filled with an unceasing desire to do all the good you can. **Amen.**

SENDING FORTH: "Blest Be the Tie that Binds"

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.

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

"Go to the World!"
Tune: *SINE NOMINE* by Ralph Vaughn Williams; Words by Sylvia G. Dunstan

**"It's Me, It's Me, O Lord
(Standing in the Need of Prayer)"**
Traditional African American Spiritual;
Arranged by William Farley Smith

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"
Piano arrangement by Mark Hayes

"Though the Mountains May Fall"
Words & Music by Dan Schutte
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"Let There Be Peace on Earth"
Music & Words by Sy Miller & Jill Jackson
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Lee Music, Beverly Hills, California

"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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Jim Orr, *Technology*

PRAYER REQUESTS

Whenever 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:

FLOWERS and **FELLOWSHIP**: Today's flowers provided by Steve Martinez. Fellowship refreshments are provided by Noemi Albulario. See the sign-up charts to provide refreshments or cover the cost of altar flowers for future services. Altar flowers are \$35. Sandy Walker coordinates arrangements.

COFFEE WITH PASTOR: Regular "Coffee with Pastor," Thursdays are on hiatus for the next two weeks, while Pastor Johan is away with his family. We will resume weekly "Coffee with..." on Thursday, July 24th at 10 AM.

DOUBLE PIANO CONCERT: In exactly **ONE WEEK**, on Sunday, July 13th, at 3:30 pm, LWCC resident pianist **Hannah Yi**, will perform a **Double Piano Concert** entitled **"Key Conversations"** with fellow pianist **Susan Kim-Pedroza**. The performance will feature music by Anderson and Roe, Rachmaninoff, Gershwin, and more, played on **TWO PIANOS SIMULTANEOUSLY**: our legacy Yamaha grand piano, and our newly-donated Baldwin grand piano – *courtesy of Will Mulcahy and the Mulcahy Family, in memory of their mother Judy Mulcahy.*

DONATIONS of FOOD & OTHER ITEMS: Your donations of non-perishable food have provided much-needed relief for those in need. As **We Care** provides aid for people, they have mentioned that items like *shampoo, body wash, paper towels, and toilet paper* would also be a great help. The next **We Care** pickup will be Wednesday, July 16th. Our LWCC love continues to spread – **THANK YOU!**

NEED A BIBLE?: Free Bibles on the small bookshelf in the narthex. *Help yourself.*

RECENT LWCC WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

June 8th: 32 | June 15th: 31 | June 22nd: 34 | June 29th: 36

Key Conversations

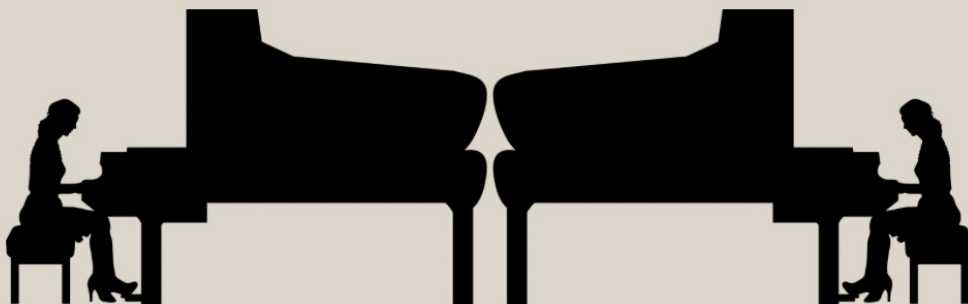


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By Anderson and Roe, Rachmaninoff, Gershwin and More**



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Notes from the Service

This image shows a blank sheet of white paper with horizontal ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There are no margins or other markings on the paper.

My Prayers this week:

Prayer Journal

Use these prayers in your time with God each day.

Household Prayer: Morning

Each morning when I wake up I am reminded of your presence, O God. The light of the sun, the sounds of the birds, ... your creation serves as witness of your love and your imagination. Let me take it all in and transform my wonder into joy that those around me can experience each day and know that you are God. Amen.

*Consider The Upper Room Daily Devotional
as a resource for Midday Prayer.*

Household Prayer: Evening

I have heard your voice, O God. Through smiles, through words, through music, through tears, ... I have heard your voice! Give me the comfort of your presence as I settle in for the night and allow me to have the same peace that your first apostles announced when they entered someone's home. Amen.