



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: 9:30 AM
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3rd Sunday After Pentecost



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: "The Prayer of Jesus" — Jeanette Williams

**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: "Open My Eyes That I May See"

1. O - pen my eyes, that I may see glimps-es of truth thou
 2. O - pen my ears, that I may hear voi - ces of truth thou
 3. O - pen my mouth, and let me bear glad - ly the warm truth

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 hast for me; Place in my hands the won-der - ful key
 send - est clear; And while the wave - notes fall on my ear,
 ev' - ry-where; O - pen my heart, and let me pre-pare

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 that shall un - clasp and set me free;
 ev' - ry - thing false will dis - ap - pear; Si - lent - ly now I
 love with thy chil - dren, thus to share;

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 wait for thee, rea - dy, my God, thy will to see;

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 O - pen my eyes, il - lu - mine me, Spi - rit di - vine! —

[please be seated]

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION — Rev. Johan Dodge

Eternal, birthing God, you bring all things visible and invisible into being.

We pray for the universe you created ... *[silence]*

Your Spirit brooded over your very good creation and then you entrusted it to our care and dominion. Holy God, we have created dead zones in the oceans, and slashed and burnt scars into the rainforests. We have cluttered the firmament with our ambition. Lead your people to be good stewards of the life you have entrusted to us.

We pray for all people of the earth ... *[silence]*

You placed humanity in your garden to live and tend and have dominion. Bind up the wounds of racial hatred; break the bows of poverty, disease, and hunger; speak your “Be Still!” To wars of religion and ideology. Guide us to bring your peace, justice, and compassion to every household, village, city, and nation.

We pray for you to bring the fullness of the age you promise ... *[silence]*

Loving God, Divine Dance, giver of love, life, and future, help us to dream your dream and envision what you have imagined this creation can be. Open our hearts to feel the divine nudge of your Spirit that we may see what is ours to do and may we find the courage to do what you are calling for each of us to do. Amen.

[please stand as you are able]

HYMN: “Blessed Assurance”

Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! _____ O what a
Liv - ing God's mis - sion, be - ing God's light, _____ vi - sions of
Liv - ing God's mis - sion, all is at rest; _____ We, in Christ

fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine! _____ True in - car - na - tion, come from a -
glo - ry now burst on my sight; _____ an - gels de - scend - ing bring from a -
Je - sus, are hap - py and blest, _____ work - ing and walk - ing, look - ing a -

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bove, _____ born of God's Spir - it, washed in God's love. _____
 bove _____ ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. _____
 bove, _____ filled with God's good - ness, lift - ed by love. _____

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This is my sto - ry, this is my song, _____ fol - low - ing Je - sus all the day

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long; _____ this is my sto - ry, this is my song, _____ fol - low - ing Je - sus all the day long.

[please be seated]

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION — Jeanette Williams

Loving God, by your Spirit, teach us to hear your voice and to do what you are asking of us. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE — Jeanette Williams

Romans 5:1-8

Results of Justification

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Matthew 9:35 – 10:23

The Harvest Is Great, the Laborers Few

^{9:35} Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness.³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸ therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

The Twelve Apostles

^{10:1} Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness.² These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee and his brother John; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus and Thaddaeus; ⁴ Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

The Mission of the Twelve

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Do not take a road leading to gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town, ⁶ but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷ As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ ⁸ Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. ⁹ Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, ¹⁰ no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff, for laborers deserve their food. ¹¹ Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. ¹² As you enter the house, greet it. ¹³ If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. ¹⁴ If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. ¹⁵ Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

Coming Persecutions

¹⁶ “I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. ¹⁷ Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues, ¹⁸ and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the gentiles. ¹⁹ When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you at that time, ²⁰ for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. ²¹ Sibling will betray sibling to death and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²² and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³ When they persecute you in this town, flee to the next, for truly I tell you, you will not have finished going through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

MESSAGE: “Tipping Point” — Rev. Johan Dodge

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION — Rev. Johan Dodge

How do you experience God’s presence in your life? How are you being called by God to be a laborer in the vineyard? Where have you faced persecution for answering your call?

REFLECTION: “God Will Take Care of You” — John Fluker, *pianist*

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING — Jeanette Williams

Jesus said: “the harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.” Therefore we ask the Spirit to nudge us and call us to dedicate our lives and our gifts to the harvest.

[Ushers, please come forward]

OFFERTORY: “Make You Feel My Love” — Renée Albulario, *soprano*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING — Jeanette Williams

Blessed Trinity, three-part harmony, we sing with you as we seek to align our hearts to you. Let our whole lives become songs of gratitude, joy and praise so that all the earth may know of your way of love and your will for all of your very good creation. 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. _____

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

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

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

May the love of God enfold you, the way of Christ inspire you, and the presence of the Holy Spirit guide you as you go forth to bring love into a world that seems bent upon hate. And step by step and heart by heart, we will transform the world into the Kindom of God. **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.

Music Team:

Dave Albulario, *Tenor / Music Dir.*
John Fluker, *Pianist*
Renée Albulario, *Visiting Soprano*

Hannah Yi, *Pianist*
Jennifer Rudy, *Soprano*

PRAYER REQUESTS



Linda Hildreth – The LWCC Care Team has assembled a wonderful collection of photos and mementos of our dear Linda Hildreth who passed away on May 25th. Take a moment in the narthex to remember her and look back at a life well-lived. Lewis Hildreth, her dear husband of many years continues to be cared for at Home on Cascade Assisted Living. Linda's final arrangements are with The Neptune Society. Prayers of peaceful rest for Linda, and comfort and strength for Lewis.

Noemi Albulario – As you know, Noemi Albulario, Dave's mom and a cherished member of our LWCC family, passed away on May 28th. ***A Celebration of Her Life will take place on Saturday, June 27, 2026, at 1:00 PM, here at Leisure World Community Church. All are welcome. A reception will follow immediately in Edgar Fellowship Hall.*** Prayers of peaceful rest for Noemi. Prayers also for her children Dave and Renée, their Dad Art, and Renée's partner Michael for strength and comfort in their sorrow, and the assurance that Noemi's love and legacy will be with them always. ***Join us to celebrate Noemi's life with joy, love, and delightful music by current and former members of the LWCC Music Team, as well as other guest artists!***

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

FLOWERS & FELLOWSHIP: Today's 🌸 flowers are provided by the Fellowship Team. Fellowship refreshments are provided by Sandy Cardot. See the sign-up charts for 2026 to provide refreshments or cover the cost of altar flowers for future services. Altar flowers are \$25. See Phyllis Spencer to coordinate arrangements.

IMPORTANT LWCC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION:

As Pastor Johan will be away for Annual Conference in Palm Desert, there will be **NO** membership meetings this week. We are very excited to resume with our potential new members of LWCC upon Pastor's return next week. Watch this space for scheduled meetings.

COFFEE WITH PASTOR: ☕ With Pastor Johan away at Annual Conference, our next meeting of "Coffee with Pastor" will be **NEXT WEEK**, Thursday, June 18th at 10 AM. This is a weekly opportunity to join Pastor Johan and other members of our congregation for a relaxed time to discuss *any* questions you may have, current events, or just to get something off your chest. Come share coffee & conversation.



Linda & Lewis Hildreth



June 14, 2026



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STUDY

Notes from the Service

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My Prayers this week:

Prayer Journal

Use this prayer in your time with God each day.

Household Prayer: Morning

Holy presence, awaken my senses to the wonders of your creation, and fill me with compassion for every person I meet. Make me watchful that I do not harm anyone and do not allow others to harm me. Fill my inner being with your love that your Spirit may guide me in pouring out your love for creation through me. Amen.

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

Household Prayer: Evening

Maker of day and night, creator of moons, planets, and suns, thank you for your presence with me throughout this day that I have basked in the light of my closest star. Abide with me, I pray, through the coming dark. As I settle for the night, recall to my mind each blessing I received while awake so that I can rejoice in your loving presence and guidance. If it is your will to speak to me in dreams while my mind is quieted and still, grant that I may be attentive to your way of love and guided by your Spirit when I awake to the new day. Amen.