



**COMMUNITY
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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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5th Sunday After Pentecost

**waves
OF
LOVE**

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

Steadfast God, you greet us as a loving parent and patiently love us beyond all measure. May we offer that same level of kindness and patience to all whom we encounter this day and this week. Knowing that it is the Risen Christ whom we greet as we welcome the strangers around us. Amen.

HYMN: "Be Still, My Soul"

Be still, my soul: for God is on your side. —
for your God will un - der - take —
the hour is hast - 'ning on —

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Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain;
to guide the fu - ture, as in a - ges past.
when we shall be for - ev - er with our God,

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leave to your God to or - der and pro - vide;—
Your hope, your con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake;
when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,—

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in ev - 'ry change God faith - ful will re - main.
all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last.
sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored.

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Be still, my soul: your best, your Heav'n - ly friend—
the waves and winds still know—
when change and tears are past,—

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through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.
all sage and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

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[please be seated]

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION — Rev. Johan Dodge

We pray for the health and welfare of all nations ...

We live out your way of loving kindness,
And in your love our horn is filled.

We pray for the strength and wisdom to renovate and enlarge our thinking;
that this community may become ever more vital and filled with your love ...

We bask in your love,
And sing of your way of kindness.

We pray for all who suffer from sickness, hardship, or danger ...

For you are the glory of our strength,
And abide with us in our times of adversity.

We pray for the goodness and well-being of your creation ...

Your steadfast love is declared forever.
Your faithfulness can be seen recorded in the heavens.

We remember those who make their procession home to you this day ...

And live eternally in your way of love.
Unite us in one unending song of praise to you, O Loving God. Amen.

[please stand as you are able]

HYMN: "Amazing Grace"

A - maz - ing — grace! How sweet the sound that
I sing the — sad of heart to cheer, for
Through man - y — dan - gers, toils and snares, I
Our God has — prom - ised good to me, The
When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

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loved and set me free! _____ I once _____ was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; _____ how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; _____ 'tis grace _____ hath brought me
 Word my hope se - cures; _____ God will _____ my _____ shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, _____ we've no _____ less _____ days to

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now _____ am _____ found; was blind, but now I see. _____
 grace _____ ap - pear the hour I _____ first be - lieved. _____
 safe _____ thus _____ far, and grace will lead me home. _____
 por - tion _____ be, as long as _____ life en - dures. _____
 sing _____ God's praise than when we'd first be - gun. _____

[please be seated]

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION — Virginia Olejnik

Loving God, as we hear your word this day, may the Spirit that abides with us equip and inspire us to do more than hear your words of love, may we instead be empowered to bring your love out into the world. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE — Virginia Olejnik

Romans 6:12-23

¹² Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal bodies, so that you obey their desires. ¹³ No longer present your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴ For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵ What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶ Do you not know that, if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?

¹⁷ But thanks be to God that you who were slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted ¹⁸ and that you, having been set free from sin, have become enslaved to righteousness. ¹⁹ I am speaking in human terms because of your limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and lawlessness, leading to even more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, leading to sanctification. ²⁰ When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹ So what fruit did you then gain from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²² But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the fruit you have leads to sanctification, and the end is eternal life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Matthew 10:40-42

⁴⁰ “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous, ⁴² and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

MESSAGE: “Waves of Love” — Rev. Johan Dodge

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION — Rev. Johan Dodge

Have you ever heard of the heart-brain? How have you turned your study of God inward to see where and how you are reflecting the love of God and amplifying it? Describe a moment when you were resonating as a person and a time in which you were resonating with those around you. How might you be more open to these electromagnetic cues in the future?

REFLECTION: “There Is a Road” — John Fluker, *pianist* (playing his own original song)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING — Virginia Olejnik

Jesus said, truly I tell you, those who offer a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple will not lose their reward. Let us then offer to God the gifts of our labor and love.

[Ushers, please come forward]

OFFERTORY: “Over the Rainbow” — Kara Brouelette, *mezzo-soprano*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING — Virginia Olejnik

Loving God, we give thanks that you have entrusted us with the gifts of hospitality and generosity, and that you have set us free to be generous givers of the gifts you have so freely given to us. May these gifts that we bring draw us closer into your way of living love and may these gifts then be sent out to be shared with those in greater need. 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._____

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

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

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

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

BLESSING — Rev. Johan Dodge

May the one who has created all of creation and called it very good, redeem you from your self-doubt and empower you to reflect and extend the love of God further into the world around you. **Amen.**

SENDING FORTH: “Blest Be the Tie that Binds”

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in 3/4 time and B-flat major. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes in the left hand.

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: Kara Brouelette, *Mezzo-Soprano*
John Fluker, *Pianist*

Jennifer Rudy, *Soprano*
Hannah Yi, *Pianist*
Dave Albulario, *Tenor / Music Dir.*

PRAYER REQUESTS

Jim Dimos — Jim recently moved into a home-based board and care in a residential neighborhood of Rossmoor, with only six residents. He is settled in and Lois takes him for a wheelchair stroll every evening. Prayers for strength and an increase in appetite. He has a cheerful attitude, and his medications are working. He happily welcomes visitors at:

A Faithful Home, 2851 Bostonian Drive, Los Alamitos, CA.

Noemi Albulario — We celebrated Noemi's life yesterday, here at LWCC. Thank you to all who made the event possible, and for you who attended. Please continue to pray for Dave, Renée, Art, Michael, and their large, extended family, as they mourn the loss of their dear mother. We pray also for Noemi — may her loving life shine in our hearts and may she rest peacefully in eternity.

*“I am more here than I ever was before.
I am more with you than I ever could have imagined.
So close you look past me when wondering where I am.”*

- Love Letter from the Afterlife by Andrea Gibson

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

FLOWERS & FELLOWSHIP: Today's 🌸 flowers are provided by the Fellowship Team. Fellowship refreshments are provided by Jenny Chang. 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 SESSIONS COMING UP:

LWCC MEMBERSHIP Q&A: This **Wednesday, May 1st** at **1:00 PM**, Pastor Johan will host a one-hour Question and Answer session for all those who wish to learn about becoming a regular member of Community Church. All are welcome, and those wishing to join should remain for the ...

LWCC MEMBERSHIP CLASS: Immediately following the Q&A session this **Wednesday, May 1st** at **2:00 PM**, Pastor Johan will meet with those interested in becoming regular members of LWCC.

COFFEE WITH PASTOR: ☕ On Thursday, May 2nd at 10 AM, join us for “Coffee with Pastor.” Every Thursday, we invite you 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.

RECENT LWCC WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

May 24th: 29 | May 31st: 35 | June 7th: 40 | June 14th: 38 | June 21st: 38



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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

Gracious God, I awake this day in expectation and thanks, and ask to receive the opportunity to share your way of love with all whom I meet. This is my prayer, this is my hope. Amen.

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

Household Prayer: Evening

Steadfast God, you have traveled with me this day and have seen those places where I flourished and those places where I floundered. I give thanks for the gift of finding you at every turn and for the gift to learn of my need for you, in both times of failure and times of attainment. I seek your rest this night, that upon awakening, I may find strength to live out your way of love with consistency and joy tomorrow. Amen.