# TUSTIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WORSHIP



July 27, 2025 10:00 a.m.

### SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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** 

Louis Vierne (1870–1937)

#### Cantilene

Makena James, Organ

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#### IN THE LIFE

All present are requested to sign the Friendship Pad as it is passed.

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Steve

For You created our inmost beings; You knit us together in our mothers' wombs.

We will praise You

because we are fearfully and wonderfully made;

Your works are wonderful, we know that full well.

How precious to us are Your thoughts, O God!

Give us Your thoughts as we open ourselves to You.

Adapted from Psalm 139:13-17



Hymn No. 611



- 1 Joy ful, joy ful, we a dore thee, God of glo ry, Lord of love! 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee; earth and heaven re-flect thy rays;
- 3 Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan.



Hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, o-pening to the sun a - bove. stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise. Love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, join-ing all in heav-en's plan.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way. Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash - ing sea, Ev - er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic - tors in the midst of strife.



Giv - er of im - mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day. chant - ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re - joice in thee. Joy - ful mu-sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.

TEXT: Henry van Dyke, 1907, alt. MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; adapt. Edward Hodges, 1842, alt.

#### \* Prayer of Confession

Samira Kassouni, Liturgist

O Lord, You have searched us and known us.

You know when we sit down and rise;

You perceive our thoughts from afar.

You discern our going out and our lying down;

You are familiar with all our ways.

Before a word is on our tongues,

You know it completely, O Lord.

Search us, O God, and know our hearts;

test us and know our anxious thoughts.

See if there is any offensive way in us,

and lead us in the way everlasting.
Amen.

Adapted from Psalm 139:1-4, 23-24

## \* A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

#### \* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! By God's grace, we are who we are: forgiven and restored people.

Amen.

## \* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

We invite you to share the peace of Christ in whatever way feels comfortable to you—whether with a handshake, a friendly wave, or a simple "Peace be with you."





TEXT: Trad. liturgical text MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979 Music © 1979, 1981 Les Presses de Taizé (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.)

## WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

#### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Pastor Steve

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

### **BLESSING OUR CHILDREN**

Hymn No. 47, Verse 1



bless ev - ery soul whose hap - pi - ness springs from the Lord's own praise! TEXT: David Mowbray, 1989, alt.MUSIC: Johann B. König, 1738; arr. William Henry Havergal, 1847 Text © 1990 The Jubilate Group (admin. Hope Publishing Company)

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Your Word, O God, reveals Your will for our lives. By the power of Your Holy Spirit, give us each the wisdom to attend to Your call every day, and make us ready to hear and obey. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

#### FIRST LESSON

New Testament, Page 176

#### 1 Corinthians 15:3-11

<sup>3</sup>For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup> and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.

<sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

<sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain.

On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

#### ANTHEM

Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

## Set Me as a Seal

TPC Chancel Choir

## SECOND LESSON

New Testament, Pages 158-159

## Romans 8:31-39

<sup>31</sup>What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? <sup>33</sup>Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

<sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. <sup>35</sup>Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

<sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup> nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** Pastor Steve

#### **Final Words**

## **GIVE THANKS TO GOD**

## **Choral Call to Prayer**

## **Prayers of the People**

We pray for wisdom as we chart the course for our future...

We acknowledge our need for Your wisdom...

We ask for strength to trust You with our future...

We pray for wisdom as we find our way in this new world...

We thank You for walking with us

through the story of our lives...

We pray for healing of every kind for all...

We pray for those who are struggling to find hope...

We offer You our hearts for You to change...

We offer ourselves to be Your hands, feet, and voices...

# Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

Glory to God, Page 35

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**

Rollo Dilworth (b. 1970)

## When Dreams Take Flight

TPC Chancel Choir

# \* OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Hymn No. 708, Verse 1



TEXT: William Walsham How, c. 1858 MUSIC: Mason and Webb's Cantica Laudis, 1850

## \* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, use these gifts and all that we have for the building up of Your work in this church and the wider world.

Amen.

## GO IN GOD'S NAME



TEXT: Daniel L. Schutte, 1981, alt. MUSIC: Daniel L. Schutte, 1981; harm. Alfred V. Fedak, 2011 Text and Music © 1981, 2000 OCP

## **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

# \* BENEDICTION AND BENEDICTION RESPONSE

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

#### **POSTLUDE**

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

#### Fugue in B Minor, BWV 544

Makena James, Organ

#### With Gratitude for Pastor Steve

Today we give thanks for the ministry of Rev. Dr. Steve Ranney, who has faithfully served as Pastor of Tustin Presbyterian Church since 2015. Over these years, Steve has offered us wisdom, compassion, and steadiness, helping us hold fast to our calling, even as the world around us changed, and "to keep the main thing the main thing": "to glorify God and enjoy God forever."

Through seasons of growth and challenge, through a global pandemic and the transitions of members and staff over the years, Steve has reminded us again and again that God will provide the people and the resources we need when we are faithful to the call.

We give thanks for his gift of bringing Scripture to life through story, transforming biblical characters into neighbors we recognize, making ancient wisdom feel immediate and accessible. Sunday after Sunday, his story sermons have helped us see ourselves in God's unfolding narrative.

Steve has been a true collaborator in ministry, empowering the congregation in leading and stewarding the ministries God has placed on our hearts. His support has made space for us to grow into the callings we've discovered here.

We celebrate the countless ways Pastor Steve has been present with us: in worship and fellowship, at baptisms and memorials, in moments of clarity and times of uncertainty.

As he enters retirement, we send him with our prayers and deep gratitude for the time, energy, and care he poured into this community. May this next chapter bring rest, joy, and space to savor all the goodness God continues to unfold.

Thank you, Pastor Steve!