

# LAFAYETTE–ORINDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. Pray then in this way: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For if you forgive your trespasses, your Father will forgive you; but if you do not forgive your trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. And whenever you go, agree with your neighbor in the street, lest you may have trouble; otherwise, you will be handed over to the judge. Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and rust destroy, and where thieves dig up and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moths nor rust destroy, and where thieves do not dig up and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. If then the Son of Man comes, he will not recognize the dates. Just as it was in the days of Noah, so also it will be in the days of the Son of Man. For as in those days people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark, and they did not know what was coming, so also will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding grain together; one will be taken and the other left. Therefore, be on the alert, for you do not know the day or the hour. For as it was in the days of Noah, so also it will be in the days of the Son of Man. For as in those days people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark, and they did not know what was coming, so also will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding grain together; one will be taken and the other left. Therefore, be on the alert, for you do not know the day or the hour. For as it was in the days of Noah, so also it will be in the days of the Son of Man. For as in those days people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark, and they did not know what was coming, so also will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding grain together; one will be taken and the other left. Therefore, be on the alert, for you do not know the day or the hour.

9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

January 20, 2019

## Living the Good Life

Practical Guidance from Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount

Prelude

### We Gather

Offertory  
Stewart Scharch, organ

Théodore César Salomé (1834–1896)

A Gift of Joy

Barbara Baltzer Kinyon (b. 1929)

Handbell Choir; Tessique Houston, Director

Welcome

Peter Whitelock & Gerald Chinen (9 a.m.)  
Peter Whitelock & Jaime Polson (11 a.m.)

Call to Worship

Come, Let Us Worship God

Ray Makeever (1923–2015)

### We Praise

Songs of Praise

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (Hymnal #611)

Tune: HYMN TO JOY

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Jonas Myrin and Matt Redmon

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Forgiveness

Gerald Chinen (9 a.m.); Jaime Polson (11 a.m.)

Response

O for a World (Hymnal #372)

Tune: AZMON

Hallelujah

Leonard Cohen (1934–2016)

Reading

A Prayer for the World  
Terry Clark

Rabbi Harold Kushner

Anthem

Canticle of Hope  
Chancel Choir

Joseph M. Martin (b. 1959)

Peace

Peter Whitelock

### We Hear the Word

Sermon

*Living Above*  
(Matthew 5:38–48, pp. 786–787)

Peter Whitelock

Response

Overcome Evil With Love  
Elizabeth Becker, soloist

Debbie Shaeffer (b. 1972)

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Lauren Gully

### We Respond

We Are Called By Name

Offering

God Be With You  
Handbell Choir

arr. by Susan E. Geschke

Closing Song

Mourning into Dancing

by Tommy Walker

Benediction

Peter Whitelock

Postlude

Trumpet Tune in D  
Stewart Scharch

David N. Johnson (1922–1987)

Everyone is invited to the Worship Plaza for coffee and fellowship.

### **Worship Flowers**

The flowers are given today by the Flower Design Team in honor of Lupe Lopez and the custodial staff in appreciation for their help and support.

### **Floral Design Team**

Jane Ebe, Team Leader; Sherril Barber, LASSIE Colebourn, Linda Giddings, Jayne Hegenbart, Pat Jeans, Suze McConnell, Clarice Odell, Penny Perry, Dorothy Pritchett, Laurie Reich, Lynne Terril

### **Hospitality Team**

9 a.m. Sharon Bartlett, Team Leader; Colleen Fawley, Ann Loar, Virginia Wharton, Dick Courtney  
Julie and Jim Fulford, Greeters  
11 a.m. Lynne Terril, Team Leader; Judy Nielsen, Nan Reuther, Yuji Shibuya

### **Welcome Team**

A special thank you today to Friendship, a Voyager group, for serving the coffee on the plaza.

### **Worship & Music Team**

Peter Whitelock, Pastor/Head of Staff  
Gerald Chinen, Pastor, Care; Lauren Gully, Pastor, Mission & Formation; Jaime Polson, Pastor, Families  
Brett Strader, Director of Worship and Music  
Stewart Sarch, Organist; Michael Morales, Worship and Music Assistant  
Handbell Choir; Tessique Houston, Director  
Chancel Choir  
Michael Henning, drums, Terry Miller, bass  
Anne Whitelock, Elizabeth Becker, vocals  
Devin Crane, Sound Technician; Brendan Kelley, Video Technician  
Hiroko Shibuya, Worship and Music Coordinator  
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## **Sunday Morning Worship Services**

We worship together at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP BULLETIN SUPPLEMENT

## Call to Worship: Come, Let Us Worship God

Words and Music by Ray Makeever

**Come, let us worship God**

Welcome everyone  
to the love of God

Rest for the weary

Food for the hungry

Water for the thirsty

Hope for the children

Welcome everyone

to the love of God

## Songs of Praise: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (Hymnal #611)

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

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!

Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away

Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day

All thy works with joy surround thee; earth and heaven reflect thy rays

Stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise

Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea

Chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee

Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began

Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan

Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife

Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life

## 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Words and Music: Matt Redman, Jonas Myrin

*refrain:*        **Bless the Lord, oh, my soul, oh, my soul**  
                      **Worship His holy name**  
                      **Sing like never before, oh, my soul**  
                      **I worship Your holy name**

**The sun comes up. It's a new day dawning**

**It's time to sing Your song again**

**Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me**

**Let me be singing when the ev'ning comes**        *refrain*

**You're rich in love and You're slow to anger**

**Your name is great and Your heart is kind**

For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find *refrain*  
And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forever more *refrain 2x*

## Response: O for a World (Hymnal #372)

Text: Miriam Therese Winter, 1987; Music: Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1839; Text © 1990 Medical Mission Sisters

**O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways  
Where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise  
O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved  
Where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved  
We welcome one world family and struggle with each choice  
That opens us to unity and gives our vision voice  
The poor are rich; the weak are strong; the foolish ones are wise  
Tell all who mourn: outcast belong, who perishes will rise  
O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace  
Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease**

## Response: Hallelujah

Words & Music: Leonard Cohen

Hallelujah...

## Reading: A Prayer for the World

Written by Rabbi Harold Kushner, 2003

Let the rain come and wash away the ancient grudges,  
the bitter hatreds held and nurtured over generations.  
Let the rain wash away the memory of the hurt, the neglect.  
Then let the sun come out and fill the sky with rainbows.  
Let the warmth of the sun heal us wherever we are broken.  
Let it burn away the fog so that we can see each other clearly.  
So that we can see beyond labels, beyond accents, gender or skin color.  
Let the warmth and brightness of the sun melt our selfishness.  
So that we can share the joys and feel the sorrows of our neighbors.  
And let the light of the sun be so strong that we will see all people as our neighbors.  
Let the earth, nourished by rain, bring forth flowers to surround us with beauty.  
And let the mountains teach our hearts to reach upward to heaven.  
Amen

## **Anthem: Canticle of Hope**

Text: Based on Isaiah 25, J. Paul Williams; Music: Joseph M. Martin

Lord, you are God, perfect in holiness  
Lord, you are God of the needy and the poor  
A sure defender  
You are our refuge  
You are the Giver  
You are Jehovah  
You are the God who restores  
Lord, you are God, reigning in righteousness  
Lord, you are God in the time of our distress  
We call on you, our sure salvation  
Lord, you are faithful  
You are the God who restores  
Lord, you are God, ruling in gentleness  
Lord, you are God. You wipe away each tear  
You hear our every prayer  
You give us comfort  
You touch our hearts and calm our fears  
You are eternal  
Alpha, Omega.  
We place our hope in you alone  
Lord, you are God, perfect in holiness  
Lord, you are God. In our darkness You are everlasting light  
A sure defender  
You are our refuge  
You are the Giver  
You are Jehovah  
You are the God who restores  
Great is Thy Faithfulness  
You are the God who restores  
Your love restores

## **Sermon: *Living Above***

### **The Scripture (Matthew 5:38–48) and other quotes**

“You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.’ But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you.

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect. (Matthew 5:38–48)

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good... (Romans 12:9)

...so that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, in which you shine like stars in the world. (Philippians 2:15)

That within the best of us, there is some evil, and within the worst of us, there is some good. When we come to see this, we take a different attitude toward individuals. The person who hates you most has some good in him; even the nation that hates you most has some good in it; even the race that hates you most has some good in it. And when you come to the point that you look in the face of every man and see deep down within him what religion calls “the image of God,” you begin to love him in spite of. No matter what he does, you see God’s image there. There is an element of goodness that he can never slough off. Discover the element of good in your enemy. And as you seek to hate him, find the center of goodness and place your attention there and you will take a new attitude. (Martin Luther King, Jr.)

Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. (Matthew 5:11–12)

No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. (Romans 12:20–21)

## **Response: Overcome Evil with Love**

Words & Music: Debbie Shaeffer, Arranged by Brett Strader

There’s a name for each face

In those pictures that I see

In those stories haunting me

I could look the other way

But then who would I become?

I must see them one by one

Do not be overcome by the troubles of this world

He has overcome them all

Do not be overcome by the injustice all around

But overcome evil with love

Overcome evil with love

For one day I will stand

On the other side of time  
Where it comes to light  
That I'm welcomed by the King on High  
Who lived here among the poor  
O could I ever ignore Him?  
And whatever you've done  
Unto the least of these  
You've done unto the King  
And whatever you've said  
To tell yourself that there's too much  
That you don't mean anything  
It isn't true

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

## **Closing Song: Mourning Into Dancing**

Words & Music: Tommy Walker

*Refrain :*      **You've turned my mourning into dancing again  
You've lifted my sorrows  
And I can't stay silent  
I must sing for Your joy has come**

**Where there once was only hurt  
You gave Your healing hand  
Where there once was only pain  
You brought comfort like a friend  
I feel the sweetness of Your love  
Piercing my darkness  
I see the bright and morning sun  
As it ushers in Your joyful gladness      *Refrain*  
Your anger lasts  
For a moment in time  
But Your favor is here  
And will be on me for all my lifetime      *Refrain 2x***