

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, for you are the one who is with the evil one. Deliver us from the evil one. For if you forgive the trespasses of others, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. And whenever you have received your Father's forgiveness, you must forgive others, or your Father will not forgive your sins. Therefore, if you are storing up treasures on earth, you will also be storing up treasures in heaven. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Do not be like the Pharisees, who fast and give tithes, but despise the law and the commandments of God. They will be judged and despise the things that are necessary, but you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, What will we eat? or What will we drink? or What will we wear? For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today. Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. For with the judgement you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. Why do you see the speck in your neighbour's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? Or how can you say to your neighbour, Let me take the speck

9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

January 27, 2019

Living the Good Life

Practical Guidance from Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount

Prelude

We Gather

Cantilene
Stewart Scharch, organ

Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

Welcome

Gerald Chinen & Lauren Gully

Call to Worship

Lauren Gully

We Praise

Hymns of Praise

Holy God, We Praise Your Name (Hymnal #4)
When Morning Gilds the Skies (Hymnal #667)

Tune: Grosser Gott, wir loben dich
Tune: Laudes Domini

Reading

Psalm 119:1-8

Lauren Gully

Prayer of Confession

Lord Have Mercy

by Steve Markel

Assurance of Forgiveness

Lauren Gully

Response

What a Beautiful Name

by Ben Fielding & Brooke Ligertwood

Anthem

Cornerstone
Chad Runyon, Linda Rosenthal, soloists
Chancel Choir; Michael Morales, assistant conductor

Shawn Kirchner (b. 1970)

Peace

Brett Strader

We Hear the Word

Sermon

Honoring Our Relationships
(Matthew 5:27-37, p. 786)

Gerald Chinen

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Chris Baldwin

We Respond

We Are Called By Name

Moment for Ministry: Love Does

Steve Crocker

Offering

Amazing Grace
Stewart Scharch

arr. Frederick Swann (b. 1931)

Closing Song

Cantemos al Señor

by Carlos Rosas
arr. Greg Murai (1963-2016)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Chris Baldwin

Benediction

Gerald Chinen

Postlude

March in D
Stewart Scharch

Georg Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

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

Worship Flowers

The Sanctuary flowers this morning are given by Betty Glazier in memory of Bob Glazier.

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. Alan Saxton, Team Leader; Kim Carpenter, Virginia Cowden, Barbara Duff, Bill Mueser
Ruwani Jayasingha, Greeter
11 a.m. Jim Terril, Team Leader; Bill Brown, Jason Scovel, Lynne Terril
SaraJoy Haynes, Tom Scovel, Greeters

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
Chris Baldwin, Director of Community Engagement
Steve Crocker, Mission Team
Chancel Choir
Michael Henning, drums, Steve Danska, guitar; Terry Miller, bass
Linda Rosenthal, Brianna Stutzman, 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

Hymns of Praise: Holy God, We Praise Your Name (Hymnal #4)

Text: Attr. Ignaz Franz, c. 1774; trans. Clarence Alphonsus Walworth, 1858, alt.

Music: *Allgemeines Katholisches Gesangbuch*, c. 1774; harm. Johann Gottfried Schicht, 1819

**Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you
All on earth your scepter claim; all in heaven above adore you
Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign**

**Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising
Cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord."**

**All apostles join the strain as your sacred name they hallow
Prophets swell the glad refrain, and the blessed martyrs follow
And from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on**

**Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit: Three we name you
While in essence only one; undivided God we claim you
And adoring, bend the knee while we own the mystery**

When Morning Gilds the Skies (Hymnal #667)

Text: German hymn, c. 1800; trans. Edward Caswall, 1853, 1858, alt.; Music: Joseph Barnby, 1868

**When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries: may Jesus Christ be praised!
Alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair: may Jesus Christ be praised!**

**Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find: may Jesus Christ be praised!
Or fades my earthly bliss? My comfort still is this: may Jesus Christ be praised!**

**Let earth's wide circle round in joyful notes resound: may Jesus Christ be praised!
Let air and sea and sky from depth to height reply: may Jesus Christ be praised!**

**Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine: may Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this the eternal song through all the ages long: may Jesus Christ be praised!**

Reading: Psalm 119:1–8

Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD.

Happy are those who keep his decrees, who seek him with their whole heart,
who also do no wrong, but walk in his ways.

You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.

O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!

Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.

I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous ordinances.

I will observe your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.

Prayer of Confession: Lord Have Mercy

Words & Music: Steve Merkel

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy on me...

Response: What a Beautiful Name

Words and Music: Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You, our Christ
 What a beautiful Name it is
 What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus Christ, my King
 What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this
 What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again
You have no rival. You have no equal
Now and forever God, You reign
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory
Yours is the name above all Names
 What a powerful Name it is
 What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus Christ, my King
 What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against
 What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus

Anthem: Cornerstone

Text drawn from Psalm 118:22, Isaiah 11:6, John 12:24, 1 Corinthians 15:55; Music Shawn Kirchner

O the stone that the builders rejected became the cornerstone of a whole new world
A grain of wheat may be knocked to the ground
And suffer through the winter's cold
Only to rise right up again
And bear its seed a thousandfold
O the stone that the builders rejected became the cornerstone of a whole new world
Never can our journey fail
A little child will lead the way
Whose eyes are filled with a shining light
To whom the night is bright as day

O the stone that the builders rejected became the cornerstone of a whole new world

The love that rolls the stone away

Gives us life that we may sing

"Grave, where is thy victory?

Death, o death, where is thy sting?"

O the stone that the builders rejected became the cornerstone of a whole new world

Sermon: *Honoring Our Relationships*

The Scripture (Matthew 5:27–37) and other quotes

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

"It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

"Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.' But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one. (Matthew 5:27–37)

"He (God) is a hedonist at heart. All those fasts and vigils and stakes and crosses are only a facade. Or only like foam on the sea shore. Out at sea, out in His sea, there is pleasure, and more pleasure. He makes no secret of it; at His right hand are 'pleasures for evermore.'... He has filled His world full of pleasures. There are things for humans to do all day long without His minding in the least—sleeping, washing, eating, drinking, making love, playing, praying, working. Everything has to be twisted before it's any use to us. We fight under cruel disadvantages. Nothing is naturally on our side."—CS Lewis, *The Screwtape Letters*, p. 118

Reductio ad Absurdum (reducing to absurdity.)

"The mutilated stump could still have a wicked heart. The deeper question always concerns who you are, not what you did or can do. What would you do if you could? Eliminating bodily parts will not change that. If you dismember your body to the point you could never...commit adultery or even to lust, your heart could still be full of anger, contempt, and obsessive desire for what is wrong, no matter how thoroughly stifled or suppressed it may be."—Dallas Willard, *Divine Conspiracy*, pp. 167–168

“And whoever fixes his gaze upon a woman and likes to have hers fixed upon him must not suppose that others do not see what he is doing. He is very much seen, even by those he thinks do not see him...But suppose all this escapes the notice of man—(be) ever mindful that God sees all things...” —St. Augustine, *The Rule of Augustine*

“Do not be conformed to this world. But be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.”
(Romans 12:2–3)

Dr. John Gottman; *Four Horsemen: Criticism, Contempt, Defensiveness, and Stonewalling*.
<https://www.gottman.com>.

“Jesus’ words about divorce were intended to protect women who were being exploited by the system. That they have been turned into legalistic laws that often harm women is a tragedy. A marriage is not more sacred than the people in it.”—Rachael Held Evans, blog

Hooked: The Brain Science on How Casual Sex Affects Human Development.
by Dr. Joe McIlhaney and Dr. Freda Mckissic Bush

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: Cantemos al Señor

Words and Music: Carlos Rosas, arr. by Greg Murai

**Let’s sing unto the Lord a hymn of glad rejoicing
let’s sing a hymn of love at the new day’s fresh beginning
God made the sky above, the stars, the sun, the oceans
God saw that it was good for those works were filled with beauty**

chorus: **Alleluia, alleluia, Cantemos al Señor, alleluia!
 Alleluia, alleluia, Cantemos al Señor, alleluia!**

**Let’s sing unto the Lord a hymn of adoration
which shows our love, and faith, and the hope of all creation
Through all that has been made the Lord is praised for greatness
and so we sing to God, who bestows such lovely blessings, *chorus***