

Announcements

Rosebud. The rosebud on the communion table celebrates the arrival of Hayden James Carter, grandson of Glenn and Karen Green. Welcome, Hayden and congratulations to the happy grandparents!

Organ and Oboe Chamber Recital Rescheduled. The Sunday, January 14 recital must be rescheduled due to illness. We will notify you of the new date as soon as we have it.

Chancel Flowers. Providing flowers for Sunday worship in honor of someone we love, or a special occasion is a cherished tradition here at YLPC. The new flower chart is posted in the Narthex and forms are on the table by the door. Sign up today to bless the whole congregation with your love!

Improv Drum Circle. We will be meeting on Tuesday, January 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Everyone is welcome and no experience needed. The fun thing about drums is they play well with everything so bring your favorite instrument or come without. We have plenty of drums and shakers for everyone. Let's help make 2024 the most joyful, stimulating, harmonious and caring year ever. The world needs us.

Church Center App- Sermon or Music Recording Request. As we enter into the new year, we would like to remind you about one of the convenient features of our Church Center App: If you missed a worship service and would like to listen to the sermon and music, you may request the recording on our Church Center App! You'll also have access to our weekly bulletin to follow along with the recordings. It's a great way to connect with us when you are away!

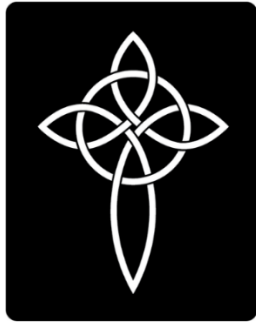
On the Cover. Have you been intrigued by the artwork on our bulletin covers? It comes to us from the talented folks at A Sanctified Art. Here's a quote from the artist of today's piece: "This image offers a snapshot of Jesus right before he steps into his calling, on the threshold of spectacular affirmation. He is completely suspended, embraced, and upheld by the waters of baptism. The water's surface is choppy. The future is unknown and precarious. His path is a lonely and formidable one, eventually leading to his suffering and death. Despite what is to come, Jesus reaches toward the surface. Two fish are drawn to the light of his halo, foreshadowing his companionship with fishers and his miraculous feeding of the five thousand. All of creation is leaning into his call."



Baptism of the Lord

YORBA LINDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JANUARY 7, 2024



YORBA LINDA
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
worship equip love

January 7, 2023
 *Please stand as you are able
Congregation reads text in bold italics

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

Rev. Lynn Stone

PRELUDE

Shall We Gather at the River?

Dale Wood

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Mike Jacobs

Leader: There are some days when I need the reminder that
 I belong to God.
 Do you ever feel that way?

People: ***Yes. We do.***
The world can be a harsh place.
We often need that reminder.

Leader: Well then, let us care for one another.
 Let us speak the truth we each need to hear.
 Church, you belong to God.
 You are God's beloved.

People: ***Friend, you belong to God.***
You are God's beloved.

Leader: Let us worship the God who knows our names.

People: ***Let us worship the God who calls us beloved. Amen.***

***HYMN #476**

Crashing Waters at Creation

William A. Cross

Upcoming Events

Sundays @ 8:30 a.m.
 Sundays @ 9:30 a.m.
 Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.
 Thursdays @ 9:30 a.m.
 Thursdays @ 7:00 p.m.
 Sunday, January 7 @ 11:30 a.m.
 Monday, January 8 @ 3:00 p.m.
 Monday, January 8 @ 4:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, January 9 @ 9:30 a.m.
 Tuesday, January 9 @ 7:00 p.m.
 Wednesday, January 10 @ 2:00 p.m.
 Wednesday, January 10 @ 6:00 p.m.
 Thursday, January 11 @ 3:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, January 16 @ 9:00 a.m.
 Tuesday, January 16 @ 7:00 p.m.
 Saturday, January 20 @ 6:00 p.m.

Chancel Choir Warm Up
 Worship Service
 Youth Group
 TLC Bible Study
 Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 Christian Education Meeting
 Nominating Committee Meeting
 Caregiver's Support Group
 Priscilla Circle
 Esther Circle
 Missions Committee Meeting
 Stewardship Committee Meeting
 Grief Support Group
 Lights of Los Ranchos via Zoom
 Session Meeting
 Winter Fun Event

Worship God.
Equip Disciples.
Love and Serve the World.

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Rev. Lynn Stone, Pastor

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to the Offering

The Offertory

Peaceful Meditation

Dianne Rahbee

*The Doxology #609

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Brian Wren

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN #297

In Christ Called to Baptize

Ruth Duck

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

St. Denio

Wilbur Held

WE CONFESS AND RECEIVE FORGIVENESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God,

From the very beginning, you breathed life into us and called us good. However, somewhere along the way we replaced “good” with “not enough.” Somewhere along the way we turned the volume up on that phrase and began to doubt our own self-worth.

Forgive us, for this is not what you have taught us.

When the world tells us we are not enough, you call us beloved.

Show us how to return to that truth.

Show us how to let go of our weariness and rest in that good news. Amen.

(We silently confess our sins.)

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Family of faith, God’s grace and understanding are deeper and wider than we could possibly imagine. So say these words of grace with me:

Our story begins with belovedness.

Even when we lose our way,

even if we stumble and fall,

God never stops breaking through the clouds to claim us.

We are known. We are forgiven. We are beloved.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

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***GLORIA #582**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Paul M. Vasile

3 Glo-ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me, and to the

6 Son, whose grace has par - doned me, and to the Spir-it, whose love has

set me free, As it was in the be-gin - ning, is now and ev-er shall be. A - men.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM

Borning Cry

John Ylvisa

SCRIPTURE

Luke 3:21-22

SERMON

We Trust Our Belovedness

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*I believe that the God I see in scripture is a God of love.
I believe that God created me and delights in that creation.
I believe the psalmist who says,
"I am fearfully and wonderfully made."*

*God extends this same term of endearment to us.
I believe that no matter our earthly challenges,
nothing could strip me of that sacred title.
I could fail every test, miss every goal, drop every ball,
and I would still be God's beloved.*

*Therefore, I cling to this promise like a rock in the storm.
I anchor myself with this good news,
Allowing the anxiety of the day to roll over me as best I can,
because I know where I belong.
I am a child of God.
I am beloved.
I strive to live this way.*

Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communication Meditation

In Heaven Above

Melius Christiansen

Prayer After Communion

Loving God,

*You have given us a share in the one bread and the one cup
and made us one with Christ. Help us to bring your salvation and joy
to all the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

Amen.