

Pastor Melissa MacKinnon

Stewardship

October 11, 2026

"Showing Up"

Prelude

Kevin Su Fukagawa

Welcome

Jack

Call to Worship

Margaret W.

Leader: God has prepared a place for us to celebrate God's gracious and merciful love.

People: We come with humble hearts, grateful for the invitation to experience the Peaceable Kingdom of God.

Leader: Let us lay aside every distraction and turn our hearts toward Jesus.

People: We rejoice in the Lord! We accept His invitation, and we come to worship Him with all our hearts. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Gracious and loving God,

We thank You for the invitation You have extended to us through Jesus Christ. You have prepared a place for Your people and called us to come into Your presence.

Lord, we confess that there are times when we allow the cares of this world, our own desires, and our distractions to keep us from responding fully to Your invitation. Forgive us, and turn our hearts back toward You.

As we gather for worship today, clothe us with hearts of humility, faith, obedience, and righteousness. May we never take Your invitation for granted. Help us to respond to Your call, not merely with our words, but with lives that honor You and love the world You love.

In the precious name of Jesus Christ, our Savior, we pray. Amen

***Opening Hymn "Joyful Joyful, We Adore Thee", Hymnal # 89**

Verse 1

Joyful joyful we adore Thee
God of glory Lord of love
Hearts unfold like flow'rs 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

Verse 2

All Thy works with joy surround Thee
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays
Stars and angels sing around Thee
Center of unbroken praise
Field and forest vale and mountain
Flowery meadow flashing sea



Love God, Serve Others, Embrace Community

Chanting bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in Thee

Verse 3

Thou art giving and forgiving
Ever blessing ever blest
Wellspring of the joy of living

Ocean depth of happy rest
Thou our Father Christ our Brother
All who live in love are Thine
Teach us how to love each other
Lift us to the joy divine

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Ministry Message

**Stewardship
Ninos De Baja**

**Jack & Kathy M.
Janice/Linda**

Children's Message

Randy H.

Puppeteers - The Knoedler Family

Passing of the Peace

Scripture - Matthew 22: 1-14

The Parable of the Wedding Banquet

1 Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying: 2 "The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. 3 He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, but they refused to come. 4 "Then he sent some more servants and said, 'Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner: My oxen and fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.' 5 "But they paid no attention and went off—one to his field, another to his business. 6 The rest seized his servants, mistreated them and killed them. 7 The king was enraged. He sent his army and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. 8 "Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. 9 So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.' 10 So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, the bad as well as the good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests. 11 "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. 12 He asked, 'How did you get in here without wedding clothes, friend?' The man was speechless. 13 "Then the king told the attendants, 'Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 14 "For many are invited, but few are chosen."

Anthem "For The Autumn Sky",

Choir

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Sermon "Showing Up"

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Pastoral Prayer

Moving into a Spirit of Prayer

Covenant Prayers for Cal-Pac Churches

North Hills Hispanic Mission - Pastor Baldwin Avendano

First UMC of San Fernando - Pastor Baldwin Avendano



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Community Prayers

NEW REQUESTS

Prayers for Diane(KathyM. Cousin) who has been diagnosed with cancer and is in the hospital with sepsis. Be with her medical team as they treat her and surround her with peace and comfort.

Prayers for Toni R. who is recovering from carpal tunnel surgery. Be with her as she heals and give her peace and comfort.

Prayers for the family of Tom(friend of Meribeth F.) who lost his battle with cancer. Be with his family as they mourn his loss. Surround them with peace and comfort during this difficult time.

Prayers for Karen(friend of Meribeth) who is recovering from a medical mystery that almost took her life. Surround her with healing and comfort.

CONTINUE TO PRAY

Prayers for Katie R. who is in the hospital. Prayers for peace and comfort for her and wisdom for her medical team as they care for her.

Prayers for Kathy G.(friend of Emmie) who is recovering from surgery and beginning chemotherapy. Prayers for peace and comfort as she begins her treatment.

Prayer for Laura (Linda D.'s sister) who is having shoulder replacement surgery. Prayers for comfort and speedy recovery.

Prayers for Betty (Kathleen C. sister) who is in the hospital recovering from a heart attack. Guide her medical staff and give her peace and comfort.

CANCER TREATMENT

Linda (Robin G.), Barbara (Tanya I), Danny C, Kathleen (Tanya). Jennifer(Dr. Bob R.), Georgia(Forbes), Debbie, Ruby(Emmie S), Toni, Sylvia(Pam P), Frank (Taty V), Jan(Nathan), Nori(Linda N.), Tom(Meribeth)

IN HOSPICE CARE

Prayers for Carla VonZell. Surround her and her family with peace and comfort during this transition time.

The Lord's Prayer

Moving Beyond a Spirit of Prayer

Invitation to Give our Blessings back to God

Offertory "How Great Thou Art", Performed By: Colette Thursby

Chorus

O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made
I see the stars I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed
Then sings my soul my Saviour God to Thee
How great Thou art how great Thou art
Then sings my soul my Saviour God to Thee
How great Thou art how great Thou art
And when I think of God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in
That on the Cross my burden gladly bearing

He bled and died to take away my sin
When Christ shall come with shout of
acclamation
And lead me home what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow with humble adoration
And there proclaim my God how great Thou art
Then sings my soul my Saviour God to Thee
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Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymnal #95

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Closing Hymn “To God Be The Glory”,

Hymnal # 98

Verse 1

To God be the glory great things
He has done
So loved He the world that
He gave us His Son
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin
And opened the life gate that all may go in

Chorus

Praise the Lord praise the Lord
Let the earth hear His voice
Praise the Lord praise the Lord
Let the people rejoice
O come to the Father through
Jesus the Son
And give Him the glory great things
He has done

Verse 2

O perfect redemption the purchase of blood
To every believer the promise of God
The vilest offender who truly believes
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives

Chorus

Praise the Lord praise the Lord
Let the earth hear His voice

Praise the Lord praise the Lord
Let the people rejoice
O come to the Father through
Jesus the Son
And give Him the glory great things
He has done

Verse 3

Great things He has taught us
Great things He has done
And great our rejoicing through
Jesus the Son
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder our transport when
Jesus we see

Chorus

Praise the Lord praise the Lord
Let the earth hear His voice
Praise the Lord praise the Lord
Let the people rejoice
O come to the Father through
Jesus the Son
And give Him the glory great things
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***Benediction**

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Ministry and Life of the Church Announcements

Bible Study

The Book of Joy

Lead by Pastor Melissa

10-13 - Women's Study - 10:00am in the Wesley Room - Childcare available for registered moms

10-14 - Men's Study - 11:00 am in the Fireside Room

Altar Flowers: The Domes in honor of our daughter, Stephanie

Fellowship Today: Nancy Liedblad

Birthdays: 10-13 Rev. Stan Ferguson,

Postlude

Kevin Su Fukagawa

Thank you

for leading us in worship

Pastor Melissa for the Sermon Message

Kevin Su Fukagawa, Colette Thursby, and The St. Matthew's Choir for our music

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