

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**QUARTERLY BUDGET UPDATE:** Budgeted July-October Income: \$650,531. Actual July-October Income: \$591,051. We want to keep you updated on the financial health of the Church. In this past quarter contributions have been down considerably. The good news is that expenses are also down, but we are hopeful we can make up this gap as we move into the second quarter of our fiscal year. The staff and Session thank you for your continued generosity.

**INTERFAITH SHELTER VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP:** We are hosting individuals and families on a path to escape homelessness Dec. 31 – Jan. 13. We need set-up, tear down, dinner providers, overnight hosts and children's homework helpers. Sign ups and information in the courtyard. Jon Mangerich 858-483-9654, jonm360@gmail.com.

**CIRCLE 8 SEWING SALE:** TODAY 9:30-11:45am in the Courtyard. Purchase handmade quilts and baby items with proceeds going to local missions.

**STORIES OF THE STAINED GLASS WINDOWS:** 10:15am TODAY join us for a short tour of our church's stained glass windows. Learn more about the history and meaning behind these pieces of art. Meet at the front of the chancel. For tour information contact ronb@ljpres.org

**MISSION PARTNER CATALOGS:** Please review the MPC which can be found in Fellowship Hall this morning and discover unique Christmas gifts for your family and friends. You may drop off your payments at the table in the courtyard TODAY or at the front desk in the coming weeks. Thanks so much for supporting our Mission Partners.

**YOUNG MEN'S UGLY SWEATER PARTY WITH A PURPOSE:** Young Men throw on your Ugly Christmas Sweater for the 3rd annual "party with a purpose". Wednesday, November 29th at 6PM at the home of Brett Lanuti. We will once again adopt a refugee family and provide them with a joyous Christmas. Walter Lam will join us to share about the refugees in San Diego. Cost is \$25. Please RSVP to Troy troyfoss@gmail.com for our dinner headcount by Nov. 27th.

**BLUE CHRISTMAS:** Friday, December 1, at 3 pm. The holidays can be a difficult time for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one. Recognizing this, we invite you to gather with us for a Blue Christmas Service of Remembrance. Reception in Life Center, Room 1, followed by the service of remembrance in the Chapel. Please feel welcome to bring family or friends. RSVP to Pastor Scott by November 29th, and make sure you give him the name of your loved one. scottm@ljpres.org; (858) 729-5595

**WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS TEA:** Saturday, Dec. 2nd from 10-11:30am in Fellowship Hall. Join us for festive music, fellowship, devotional and Christmas cookie exchange. See Vicki in the courtyard today or contact Vicki at vickipadula@gmail.com.

**ADVENT ART GALLERY:** From Dec. 3-31st in the Life Center. The theme will come from Chapters 12-14 in "The Story" with the focus being the Kings of Israel. We invite our seasoned artists and new artists to participate. This is a wonderful opportunity to enhance our congregation's worship through art. Please contact Jan Magot at jmagot2016@gmail.com by Nov. 5th with your commitment.

**ADOPT A FAMILY/FILL A BAG:** We have refugee families supported by our Mission Partners who have little means to celebrate Christmas. If you or your Growth Group would like to Adopt A Family for Christmas, or Fill A Bag with needed supplies (from cleaning to diapers to hygiene), please stop by the table in the courtyard TODAY or look in the Mission Partner Catalog, Michellaw@ljpres.org. Filled bags need to be returned by Dec. 7.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY:** is a unique ministry of LJPC, offering confidential, one-to-one Christian care to people who are going through a difficult time. A Stephen Minister provides private personal care to anyone who is hurting and needs a friendly, trained Christian person to come alongside, whether for a month or a year. If you are considering the need for a Stephen Minister, please contact Leslie Evans at (858) 414-4758, leslicceevans@gmail.com; OR Pastor Scott at (858) 729-5595, scottm@ljpres.org.

**SALVATION ARMY HONORS BILL GIBBS:** Friday, Dec. 1st, Red Kettle Bell Ringers from LJPC will be ringing at the La Jolla VONS store and collecting donations in honor of Bill Gibbs, San Diego philanthropist, and La Jolla Pres member. Drop by and hear La Jolla Brass play holiday music and join us in ringing the bell. One-hour slots are available from 2:00 – 6:00 pm. Contact Karin Donaldson if you'd like to help ring the bell at the Red Kettle. kfdonaldson@san.rr.com or 858-459-5626

**MILITARY OUTREACH TOY DRIVE:** LJPC continues to be #1 with our Military Families! Toy Distribution Day is Dec. 9th. Volunteers are needed, sign up today. Please bring new unwrapped toys for ages 0 – 12 to Admin. Building Toy Barrel between now and Dec. 9th. We really need to give our Military Families a Joyous Christmas! Sign up in the courtyard today to shop with a military family for a truly rewarding experience!

**FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT:** Wed. Dec. 13 4:30-7:30PM, Fellowship Hall. Pizza dinner starts at 4:30 and movie follows at 5:30PM. Tickets can be purchased in the courtyard starting Nov. 26th or online now, <http://www.sunhouseonline.com/> movie. Questions, contact Kay Foltz, kayfoltz@gmail.com.

**GIFTS OF THE HEART** is coming Feb. 24th. This is our annual Art Show showcasing the many artists of our congregation. If you are a member or regular attender of La Jolla Pres and an artist (full-time, part-time or hobby) we would like to see your work! Participation deadline is Jan. 7th. Please contact Jan Magot at jmagot2016@gmail.com for more information.

**GOT BAGS & BLANKETS?:** We are collecting reusable grocery bags, backpacks and new or gently used sleeping bags/blankets to distribute to the La Jolla homeless community. These items can be dropped off at the Reception Desk. Please contact: Melissa Guccini at melissag@ljpres.org with any questions.

**SANCTUARY USHERS NEEDED:** Join our amazing team of Sanctuary Ushers, greeting, seating, and passing the plate, only when you can, not every Sun. Be a part of "OUR La Jolla Pres. STORY". Ron Bolles, ronb@ljpres.org or 858-729-5511.

## ONGOING EVENTS

**SUNDAY BRUNCH:** If you'd like to get to know those that worship alongside you, meet at the fountain after the 1st Service the 2nd Sunday of every month, we'll walk to the Café at the Museum of Contemporary Art. The next Brunch is Dec. 10th. Marnie, marnienair@gmail.com

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:** No class today, but will resume next Sunday the 26th. 10:00-11:00am in LC-4. Stan Beard, Stanb@ljpres.org

**CHILDRENS CHOIR** Choir rehearsals every Sunday, *Joyful Sound, Grades 1-4: 9:15-10:00 am, CE23. Gloria Deo, Grades 5-12: 11:15-12:00 pm, CE23. Ages 4-grade K 10:00-10:15am, CE4.* New members are always welcome! Register online at [www.ljpres.org/childrenschoir](http://www.ljpres.org/childrenschoir)

**YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MID-WEEK PROGRAMS:** High school Sundays, 7:00-8:30pm; Middle school, Wednesdays, 5:00-7:00pm. X-Change (2nd/3rd grades) and X-Zone (4th/5th grades)–Wednesdays, 5:00-7:00pm Mike Sedgwick, mikes@ljpres.org or Susie Dhus, susied@ljpres.org

**HEART AND SOUL:** On Wed. 22nd there will be no meet-up due to the holiday. Next week resumes each Monday 10:00-11:00am, and Wednesday 9:30-10:30am, Fellowship Hall. Exercise for seniors and almost-seniors. Brooke Phelps, brookep@ljpres.org

**MONDAY NIGHT MEN'S FELLOWSHIP:** Dinner at 6:00pm & evening program starts 6:45pm in LC-4. Men of all ages welcome. Brooke Phelps, brookep@ljpres.org

**GOLF AND GROW:** Mondays, 8:30am, Mission Bay Golf Course. Lee Browning, 858-459-6839.

**GROWING IN PRAYER:** Every second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm, in the Chapel. Pastor Scott facilitates this class on prayer for anyone who wants to grow in prayer & pray more effectively. Scott Mitchell, scottm@ljpres.org

**BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY:** Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00am, LC-5. A Men's Bible study. Rob Langsdorf, mctrob@yahoo.com

**WOMENS BIBILE STUDY:** Wednesdays 9:30-11am For women of all ages with Childcare Provided. Cynthia Blase, Cynthiab@ljpres.org

**GROWING TOGETHER IN FAITH:** is hosting The Rest of the Story on Wednesdays, 11:00am, Fellowship Hall. Everyone Welcome!

**WOMEN'S COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY (CBS):**Thursdays, 10:00am-Noon, Fellowship Hall. For more information, check online at [lajolla.cbsclass.org](http://lajolla.cbsclass.org) or for registration information, Jennifer, CBSJenniferS@gmail.com

**CIRCLE 8:** Thursdays, 10:00am-2:00pm, LC-3. Sewing, needlework, quilting and knitting. New members are needed, and we are willing to teach. Bring a sack lunch. Ruth Preskitt, 858-453-0342.

**LA JOLLA BRASS:** Thursdays, 7:00-9:00pm, Chancel. For more info, Colin Wied, cwied@gmail.com, for schedule and information.

**CHANCEL CHOIR:** Come sing with us! Thursdays 7:00-8:30pm. Keith Pedersen, KeithPedersen@pointloma.edu

**HANDBELL CHOIR:** Thursdays 6:00pm-7:00pm, LC-3. All are welcome! Jennifer Sedgwick, jennifer.sedgwick@sbcglobal.net

**MONTHLY MOM'S PRAYER NIGHT:** 1st Thursday each month, rotating homes, 7:30-9:30pm An evening prayer group, designed for moms who can't attend the morning groups, will focus on praying together and supporting each other. Cynthia Blase, Cynthiab@ljpres.org

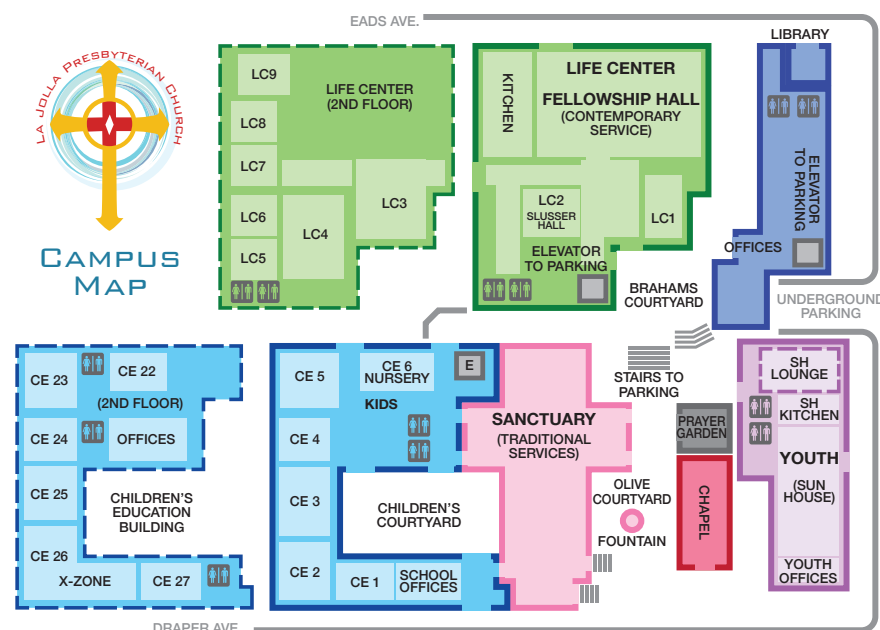
**#MOMLIFE:** Friday 9:15-10:45 am, LC3 Fellowship and support for those in their "Mom" stage in life. RSVP to Cynthiab@ljpres.org Childcare Provided!

**WORSHIP TEAM BAND:** Instrumentalists and singers are welcome! Tim Wingert, wingetti@hotmail.com

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

8:45 and 10:00 AM, in the Children's Ed Building

Nursery	Elementary	SunHouse
Age 0-2: CE-6	K-5th Check-in: CE 2nd Floor	Middle & High School
Age 2-3.5 CE-2	K/1st - Room 24	Meet in SunHouse at 8:45 AM
Age 4-5: CE-4	2nd/3rd - Room 27	Sit together at 10am Worship
	4th - 5th Room 26 (X-Zone)	11:00 AM Check In and Pick Up
	Pick Up: Room 22	0-2 years only: CE-6



## Choices: The Good, The Bad and the Ugly



November 19, 2017

# THE STORY

WEEK TEN: TWO QUESTIONS AND A PROMISE  
1<sup>st</sup> Samuel Chapter 1



WE SEE JESUS TRANSFORMING LIVES IN THREE STORIES:  
AS WE SHARE **GOD'S** STORY  
AND HEAR **YOUR** STORY  
WE DISCOVER **OUR** STORY



## 8:45AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** *Now Thank We All Our God* arr. Roundtree  
La Jolla Brass  
Jon Lorge, director

**WELCOME AND GREETING** Rev. Dr. Paul Cunningham

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** *Psalm 90:1-2, 12-17* Elder Rick Evans

**Leader:** Lord, You have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting You are God.

**People:** **Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.**

**Leader:** Relent, LORD! How long will it be? Have compassion on Your servants. Satisfy us in the morning with Your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

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**Leader:** May Your deeds be shown to Your servants, Your splendor to their children.

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**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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**SCRIPTURE READING** 1<sup>st</sup> Samuel Chapter 1 Page 418

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### “Two Questions and A Promise”

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**POSTLUDE** *A Thanksgiving Jubilee* arr. Kunda  
La Jolla Brass

**PRAYERS AND PRAISE: Healing and Comfort:** Edith B-A., Geri C. & Joseph C., Michael **Guidance and Peace:** Cassandra G., **Strength, Protection, and Encouragement:** James H. & Family, Allison J., Sara C., Jaime A. **We Also Pray For:** Matthew G., Aerielle, Todd, Arti, Jonathan A., Noah A., Stephanie, Rodney. *For prayers, praise, or to be included on the prayer list, email: prayerdeacon@ljpres.org by Sunday night to be included in the next week's bulletin. Requests are held in confidence.*

**Flowers:** *The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by the Timmins Family in loving memory of Tom Timmins, Sr. and in gratitude for all of God's Blessings on this Thanksgiving.*

## HYMNS & ANTHEM

†**OPENING HYMN #392** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

Come, ye thankful people, come, Raise the song of harvest home;  
All is safely gathered in, Ere the winter storms begin:  
God, our Maker, dost provide, For our wants to be supplied;  
Come to God's own temple, come, Raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field, Fruit unto His praise to yield;  
Wheat and tares together sown, Unto joy or sorrows grown:  
First the blade and then the ear, Then the full corn shall appear;  
Lord of harvest, grant that we, Wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come, And shall take His harvest home;  
From His fields shall in that day, All offenses purge away,  
Give His angels charge at last, In the fire the tares to cast,  
But the fruitful ears to store, In His garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come, To Thy final harvest home;  
Gather Thou Thy people in, Free from sorrow, free from sin:  
There forever purified, In Thy presence to abide;  
Come, with all Thine angels, come, Raise the glorious harvest home.

**ANTHEM** *Sing to the Lord of Harvest*

Sing to the Lord of harvest, Sing songs of love and praise;  
With joyful hearts and voices Your alleluias raise!  
By Him the rolling seasons in fruitful order move;  
Sing to the Lord of harvest a song of happy love.

By Him the clouds drop goodness, the deserts bloom and spring,  
The hills leap up in gladness, the valleys laugh and sing.  
He filleth with His fullness, all things with large increase;  
He crowns the year with goodness, with plenty, and with peace.

Heap on His sacred altar the gifts His goodness gave,  
The golden sheaves of harvest, the souls he died to save.  
Your hearts lay down before Him when at His feet ye fall,  
And with your lives adore Him who gave His life for all.

†**CLOSING HYMN #606** *He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought*

He leadeth me, O blessed thought! O words with heav'nly comfort fraught!  
Whate'er I do, where'er I be, Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain:

He leadeth me, He leadeth me, By His own hand He leadeth me;  
His faithful follower I would be, For by His hand He leadeth me.

Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, Nor ever murmur nor repine;  
Content, whatever lot I see, Since 'tis my God that leadeth me. (Refrain)

And when my task on earth is done, When by Thy grace the vict'ry's won,  
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, Since God through Jordan leadeth me.  
(Refrain)

### Please Welcome the Newest Members of Our Congregation

Kim Devermann, Dr. Mike Drushal, Dr. Mary Ellen Drushal, Marsha Gordon, Dale Gordon, Lanelle Hansen, Amy Hopkins, Martin Howes, Ron Jones, Cathy Jones, Amanda Kelly-Cochrane, Minji Kwon, Vickie Ladts, Kelly Posthumus, Marc Posthumus, Sandra Reid, Lois Ream, Rosemary Straley

*After the service, please join our LJPC Community and enjoy coffee and scones in the upper courtyard.*

† *Please stand if you are able. Our thanks for leaving your discarded bulletins at either end of your pew.*

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**ARE YOU VISITING TODAY?** Be sure to visit our Welcome Table at the west end of the Lower Courtyard to pick up your gift and complete a Visitor Information Card. If you need help navigating the campus, please ask us to help! And plan to join us again in worship soon. We're very glad you're here!

**LA JOLLA BRASS; DIRECTOR:** John Lorge **TRUMPETS:** Tom Timmins, Jason Ford, Bob Burns, Bob Franks, Nik Hansen **HORNS:** Roger Haines, Monica Palmer, Michelle Allee, Anne Sullivan **TROMBONES:** Wes Noel, Margo Redford **BASS TROMBONE:** Skyler McKinnon **TUBA:** Nathan Turner **TIMPANI AND PERCUSSION:** David Whitman, Adam LaRocca