

ANNOUNCEMENTS

END OF YEAR GIVING UPDATE: As we enter the last week of November, LJPC is running approximately \$60,000 behind in our year to date budgeted giving. December is always an important month for the church, as it accounts for approximately 20% of our annual giving or approximately \$455,000. We are hopeful that we can make up the difference, and we pray that you will give generously to the ministry and outreach of LJPC. The good news is, through November our actual expenses are also less than budgeted.

Actual Income July - October: 591,000
Budgeted income July - October: \$651,000

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

PUM/FOOD FOR THE NEEDY: PUM/ Presbyterian Urban Ministries puts together food baskets for the needy. La Jolla Pres. has been assigned canned tuna and canned vegetables. We have bins around campus to collect your food donations. This Holiday season please help feed those in our community that need a helping hand.

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.

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!

STEPHEN MINISTRY: is a 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, lesliccevans@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

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. Michellew@ljpres.org. Filled bags need to be returned by Dec. 7.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: Wed. Dec. 13 4:30-7:30PM, Fellowship Hall. Pizza dinner starts at 4:30 and the movie, *Polar Express*, follows at 5:30PM. Pre-purchase your tickets today in the Courtyard. Cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family. Please bring a new pair of PJ's to donate to a foster kid. Contact Kay, kayfoltz@gmail.com

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.

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.

To see photos and video, like LJPC on t at: [facebook.com/LaJollaPres](https://www.facebook.com/LaJollaPres)

To receive our weekly electronic newsletter, send an email to: newsletter@ljpres.org

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: Today we will be studying Acts 7. 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

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: 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 BIBLE 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 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

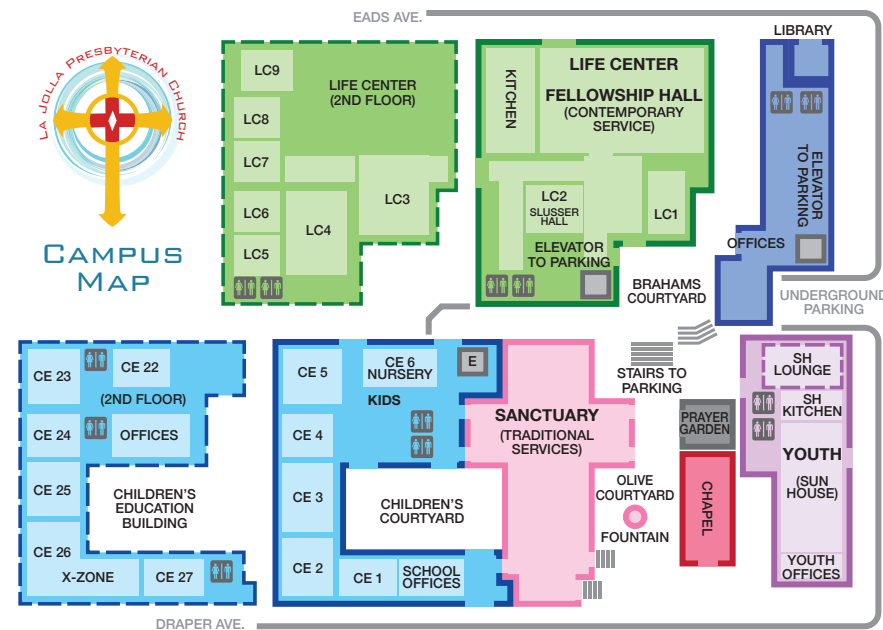
#MOMLIFE: Friday 9:15-10:45 am, LC3 Fellowship and support for those in their "Mom" stage in life. RSVP to Cynthiab@ljpres.org Childcare Provided!

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 26, 2017

T H E S T O R Y

WEEK ELEVEN: IS THIS THE ONE?

1st Samuel 16:1-13



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	<i>I Love To Tell the Story</i>	arr. Fischer William Lullo, organist
WELCOME AND GREETING		Rev. Dr. Paul Cunningham
RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP	<i>Psalm 65:1-2, 8-13</i>	Elder Stephen Vincent
Leader:	Praise awaits You, our God, in Zion; to You our vows will be fulfilled. You who answer prayer, to You all people will come.	
People:	The whole earth is filled with awe at Your wonders; where morning dawns, where evening fades, You call forth songs of joy.	
Leader:	You care for the land and water it; You enrich it abundantly. The streams of God are filled with water to provide the people with grain, for so You have ordained it.	
People:	You drench its furrows and level its ridges; You soften it with showers and bless its crops.	
Leader:	You crown the year with Your bounty, and Your carts overflow with abundance. The grasslands of the wilderness overflow; the hills are clothed with gladness.	
People:	The meadows are covered with flocks and the valleys are mantled with grain; they shout for joy and sing.	
INVOCATION		Elder Stephen Vincent
†OPENING HYMN #325	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus Name</i>	
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>Good and Simple Gifts</i>	Sleeth Gloria Deo Kathy Fait, director
SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM		Rev. Dr. Paul Cunningham Roxy Montana Watson and Macy Margeaux Watson Daughters of Jim and Shauna Watson
CHURCH LIFE		Rev. Stan Beard
PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER		
CALL TO TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
ANTHEM	<i>O Clap Your Hands</i>	arr. Shaw Chancel Choir Dr. Keith Pedersen, director
†OUR THANKS TO GOD #382		<i>Doxology</i>
†OFFERTORY PRAYER		Rev. Stan Beard
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THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED		Rev. Dr. Paul Cunningham

“Is This the One?”

†CLOSING HYMN #21	<i>Love Divine, All Loves Excelling</i>	
†BENEDICTION		Rev. Dr. Paul Cunningham
POSTLUDE	<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>	arr. Fox William Lullo, organist

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.

Flowers: The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by the Assaf Family in loving memory of Nancy’s brother, Bill Corbin and also by Scott and Sue Dodge in loving memory of their parents, Stewart and Carol Dodge and Howard and Joan Walrod.

HYMNS & ANTHEM

†OPENING HYMN #325	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus Name</i>
	All hail the power of Jesus name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all; Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all!
	Ye chosen seed of Israel’s race, ye ransomed from the fall, Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all; Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all!
	Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all. To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all.
	O that with yonder sacred throng, we at His feet may fall! We’ll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all; We’ll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all!
ANTHEM	<i>O Clap Your Hands</i>
	O clap your hands together all ye people: Sing unto God with the voice of melody.
	Sing unto God, Sing unto God, sing sing, sing unto God. Sing unto God with the voice of melody, Sing, sing, sing unto God With the voice of melody, with the voice of melody.
	For the Lord is high and to be feared; He is the great King upon all the earth. He shall choose out a heritage for us: Even the worship of Jacob whom He loved.
	God is gone up with a merry noise, and the Lord with the sound of the trump.
	God is gone up, God is gone up, God is gone up, God is gone up, Is gone up with a merry noise and the sound of a trump. God is gone up with a merry noise and the Lord with the sound of a trump. and the Lord with the sound of a trump.
	For God is the King, the King of all the earth: Sing ye praises with Understanding. Sing unto God, sing sing, sing unto God.
†CLOSING HYMN #21	<i>Love Divine, All Loves Excelling</i>
	Love divine all loves excelling, Joy of heaven to earth come down, Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, All Thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, Thou art all compassion, Pure, unbounded love Thou art; Visit us with Thy salvation, Enter every trembling heart.
	Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit Into every troubled breast; Let us all in Thee inherit, Let us find Thy promised rest. Take away our bent to sinning, Alpha and Omega be; End of faith, as its beginning, Set our hearts at liberty.
	Come, Almighty to deliver, Let us all Thy life receive; Suddenly return, and never, Never more Thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts above, Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing, Glory in Thy perfect love.
	Finish then Thy new creation, Pure and spotless let us be; Let us see Thy great salvation Perfectly restored in Thee. Changed from glory into glory, ‘Til in heaven we take our place, ‘Til we cast our crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

PRAYERS AND PRAISE: Healing and Comfort: Edith B-A., Geri C. & Joseph C., Michael P., Cathy J **Strength, Protection, and Encouragement:** Jaime A. **We Also Pray For:** Coleen, Nigel, Matthew G., Aerielle, Todd, Arti, Jonathan A.. *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.*

GLORIA DEO: Director: Kathy Fait **Accompanist:** Remi Ha **Vocalists:** Andrea Hughes, Anna Johanson, Kiarra Johnson, Ethan Lam, Nathan Lam, Mia LoGiudice, Grace Luo, Lily Merryman, Marcelle O’Neill, Soren Pedersen, Molly Smith, Lauren Soo, Emily Talerman.

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INTROIT	<i>This is the Day</i>	Wagner Chancel Choir Dr. Keith Pedersen, director
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CHORAL AMEN		
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WELCOME AND GREETING		Rev. Scott Mitchell
CHURCH LIFE		
CALL TO TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
OFFERTORY	<i>The Lord is My Shepherd</i>	arr. Green Mary Boles Allen, mezzo-soprano
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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!