

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**INTERFAITH SHELTER VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP:** As part of the Interfaith Shelter ministry, we have several families living in the Life Center for the next week as they work to escape homelessness. There are a bunch of kids ranging in age from 2 months to 12 years, and if you would like to play with kids or help with homework, that would be great! Sign ups and information in the courtyard. Jon Mangerich 858-483-9654, jonm360@gmail.com. Susie Dhus susied@ljpres.org.

**ALL CHURCH DINNER AND DISCUSSION:** Dinner tickets on sale TODAY in the Courtyard. Friday, Jan., 26, 6:00pm, Fellowship Hall. "An Evening with Deborah Haarsma, 'The Universe Declares the Glory of God'". Ms. Haarsma, President of BioLogos, previously served as professor and chair in the Department of Physics and Astronomy at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Tickets for dinner are on sale in the courtyard, or just come for the talk at 7:00pm.

She will also speak on Thursday evening, Jan. 25 at 7:45pm, to college and post-grad students as part of the STEAM series. Each evening's topics will be different, so you may attend both. Jennifer Gotenstein, Jennifer.Gotenstein@gmail.com

**MONTHLY MOM'S PRAYER NIGHT:** Young(ish) Women's Prayer & Fellowship Night January 11! Hey ladies, if you are in your 20's-40's, you are invited to come to this monthly prayer and fellowship night! This month we'll meet at the home of Maria Weiss starting at 7:30pm. Email Cynthia for the address: cynthiab@ljpres.org.

**#MOMLIFE MEETS JANUARY 12:** Hey mamas, we have our first #Momlife of the year this Friday, January 12! Come join us from 9:30-11am for coffee, treats, fellowship, & encouragement! Any mamas with children high school and under are invited to come! We can't do this mom thing alone so come be part of this awesome group! Email Cynthia for more information: cynthiab@ljpres.org.

**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.

**CLIPPERS DINNER & FELLOWSHIP:** Friday, Jan. 12th, 6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall. The program will be provided by the San Diego School of Creative and Performing Arts Jazz Ensemble. The SCPA Jazz Ensemble is a nationally ranked group comprised of the top Jazz musicians from San Diego School of Creative and Performing Arts. The theme is Patriotic .... Red, White and Blue! Please bring enough food for 12-14 people (we need extra this month with the band and guests), and please RSVP ASAP to Trenton and Karen Bonner at tbonner@tbcoastal.com or by calling 619-993-6594.

**GRIEFSHARE CLASS:** Thursdays, 3:30-5:00pm, Jan. 18-April 19, LC-5. Rev. Scott Mitchell will be leading a "GriefShare" class to help those struggling with the recent loss of a loved one. The cost is \$25 for materials. RSVP to Scott at 858-729-5595 or scottm@ljpres.org.

**BELIZE MISSION TRIP INFORMATIONAL MEETING:** This summer's Belize Mission Trip is July 18 - July 25, led by Kent Grooms and Pastor Paul Cunningham. If you are interested in joining the Mission Team, please plan to attend the informational meeting on Tues. Jan. 30 at 7pm in room 1 of the Life Center. If you will be unable to attend but would like to join the team, please contact Michelle Whitney, michellew@ljpres.org.

**STORIES OF THE STAINED GLASS WINDOWS:** Every Third Sunday of the month at 10:15am. Join us for a short tour of our Sanctuary's stained glass windows. Discover the secrets hidden in these incredible pieces of art. Meet at the front of the chancel. For tour information contact ronb@ljpres.org

**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

**FLOWERS:** Dates are available to provide Chancel flowers for the Sanctuary. Carole Franks, 858-459-6520 or Wendy Browning, 858-459-6839.

**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

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:** On break for December and January. We are studying Acts 10. 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:** This week we'll be watching the Alabama vs. Georgia NCAA football game. The location is TBD. Men of all ages welcome. Call for details 858-454-0713.

**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

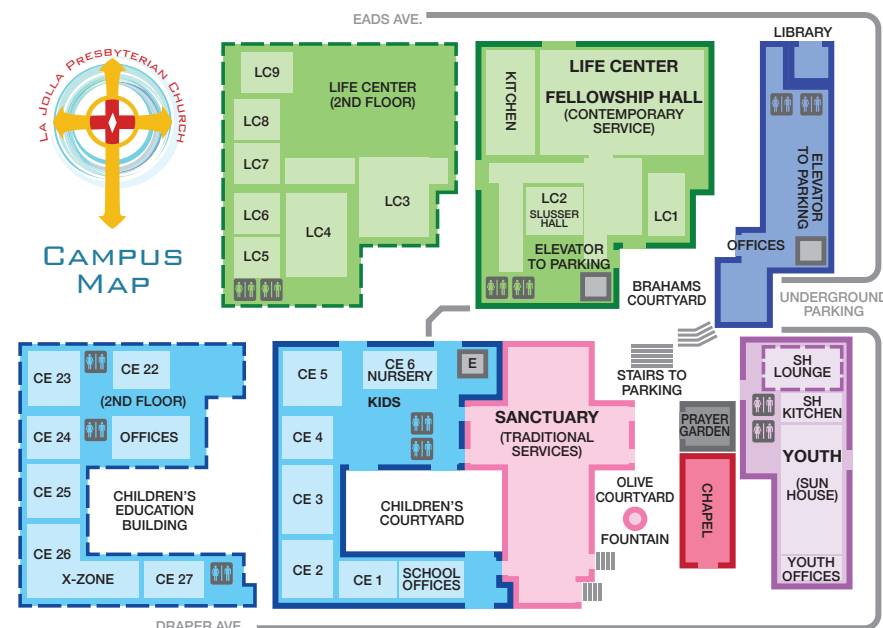
**#MOMLIFE:** Friday 9:15-10:45 am, LC3 Fellowship and support for those in their "Mom" stage in life. RSVP to Cynthiab@ljpres.org Childcare Provided!

**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



## CONVERSATIONS



January 7, 2018

# THE STORY

WEEK FIFTEEN: THE STORY OF ELIJAH  
"WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?"

1<sup>st</sup> Kings 19:1-18



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

**PRELUDE** *Great is our God* Arr. Wood  
William Lullo, organist

**WELCOME AND GREETING (8:45AM)** Rev. Dr. Paul Cunningham

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** Elder Deanne Rohde  
*Psalm 71:1-8*

Leader: In You, Lord, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.  
In your righteousness, rescue me and deliver me; turn Your ear  
to me and save me.

**People: Be my rock of refuge, to which I can always go; give the  
command to save me, for You are my rock and my fortress.**

Leader: Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the  
grasp of those who are evil and cruel.

**People: For You have been my hope, Sovereign Lord, my confidence  
since my youth.**

Leader: From birth I have relied on You; You brought me forth from my  
mother's womb. I will ever praise you.

**People: I have become a sign to many; You are my strong refuge. My  
mouth is filled with Your praise, declaring Your splendor all  
day long.**

**INVOCATION** Elder Deanne Rohde

**CHORAL INTROIT** *Now Let Us All Praise God* Young

†**OPENING HYMN #319** *Immortal Invisible God Only Wise*

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest to both great and small;  
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
And wither and perish—but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of Glory, pure Father of Light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;  
All praise we would render: O help us to see  
‘Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee. Amen.

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER** Rev. Stan Beard (8:45)  
Rev. Mike Sedgwick (11:00)

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

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

**CHURCH LIFE (8:45AM)** Rev. Stan Beard

**WELCOME AND CHURCH LIFE (11:00AM)** Rev. Mike Sedgwick

**MINUTE FOR MINISTRY** SunHouse  
Alex Gill, High School Director  
Abraham Musto, Middle School Director

**CALL TO TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**ANTHEM** *Days of Elijah* Mark  
LJPC Chancel Choir  
Dr. Keith Pedersen, director

These are the days of Elijah,  
Declaring the word of the Lord  
And these are the days of Your servant Moses,  
Righteousness being restored.  
And though these are days of great trial,  
Of famine and darkness and sword,  
Still, we are the voice in the desert crying  
“Prepare ye the way of the Lord!”

Behold He comes riding on the clouds,  
Shining like the sun at the trumpet call,  
Lift your voice, it's the year of jubilee,  
And out of Zion's hill salvation comes.

These are the days of Ezekiel,  
The dry bones becoming as flesh,  
And these are the days of Your servant David,  
Rebuilding a temple of praise.  
These are the days of the harvest,  
The fields are as white in Your world,  
And we are the labourers in Your vineyard,  
Declaring the word of the Lord!

There's no God like Jehovah.

Behold He comes riding on the clouds,  
Shining like the sun at the trumpet call,  
Lift your voice, it's the year of jubilee,  
And out of Zion's hill salvation comes.

†**OUR THANKS TO GOD #382** *Doxology*

†**OFFERTORY PRAYER** Rev. Stan Beard (8:45)  
Rev. Mike Sedgwick (11:00)

**SCRIPTURE READING** 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 19:1-18 Page 559

**THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED** Rev. Dr. Paul Cunningham

“What Are You Doing Here?”

**Milestones:** 31 year member, Robert “Rob” M. Picciolo went to be with the  
Lord January 3, 2017. Memorial plans are pending. Please be in prayer for  
Debby and the family.

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION** \*Gluten free wafers available  
in the Narthex

†**APOSTLE'S CREED** Rev. Dr. Paul Cunningham

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: and in  
Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,  
dead, and buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again  
from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of  
God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick  
and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the  
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

†**CLOSING HYMN #98** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father!  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not Thy compassions, they fail not:  
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Chorus:

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning, new mercies I see;  
All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided.  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above.  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (Chorus)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Chorus)

†**BENEDICTION** Rev. Dr. Paul Cunningham

†**POSTLUDE** *Trumpet Tune* Stanley  
William Lullo, organist

**Flowers:** The flowers today are given to the Glory of God in loving memory  
of Catherine “Cay” Wuertz by her devoted family.

**PRAYERS AND PRAISE: Healing and Comfort:** Geri C. & Joseph C. and Edith B-A.  
**Strength, Protection, and Encouragement:** The Wuertz family and Jaime A.  
**We Also Pray For:** Neo and Ankit S. For prayers, praise, or to be included on  
the prayer list, email: [prayerdeacon@ljpres.org](mailto:prayerdeacon@ljpres.org) by Sunday night to be included  
in the next week's bulletin. Requests are held in confidence.

**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!