



**LA JOLLA  
UNITED METHODIST**

**Sunday, April 18, 2021  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**



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**Prelude:** “La Vaillance” - G.P. Telemann

**Musician:** Jennifer Lai

## **Welcome**

**Opening Music:** “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” UMH 384

**Musicians:** Joyce Theilacker, Lisa Corpron, Jayson Coleman, Randy Seward, Jennifer Lai

1. 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.
2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!  
Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest.  
Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.
3. Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return and never, nevermore 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.
4. 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, till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

## **Prayers of the People**

*A Pastor will begin a time of prayer and name those for whom our congregation is praying. A time of silence will indicate when you may share one name or very short phrase to add.*

## **Pastoral Prayer**

## **Blessing for Children**

## **Scripture:**

**Matthew 6:9-10 (NLT)**

Pray like this:

Our Father in heaven,  
may your name be kept holy.

May your Kingdom come soon.  
May your will be done on earth,  
as it is in heaven.

**Luke 22:41-42 (CEB)**

He withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed. He said, "Father, if it's your will, take this cup of suffering away from me. However, not my will but your will must be done."

**Message:** "On Earth as It Is in Heaven"

**Response to the Word**

**Confession, Assurance, and Peace**

Liturgist: Have mercy on us, O God. Where depression lingers, grant us hope. Where fear threatens, grant us comfort. Where strength fails, give us courage. Where faithfulness wanes, grant us endurance. Where sin invades, grant us forgiveness. Shine upon us with your love and grace, O God. In your blessed name, we pray. Amen.

Pastor: Look! The Lord will help you, for God's faithful love lasts forever. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Liturgist: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen.

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory:** "Covenant Prayer" W & S 3115

**Musicians:** Joyce Theilacker, Lisa Corpron, Jayson Coleman, Randy Seward, Jennifer Lai

**Thanksgiving and Holy Communion**

*Communion elements have been placed on chairs before the beginning of Worship for in-person participants, and online participants may select from your home to include bread (or similar) and juice (or similar). Please wait until directed before receiving your elements.*

**Closing Music:** "The Summons" TFWS 2130

**Musicians:** Joyce Theilacker, Lisa Corpron, Jayson Coleman, Randy Seward, Jennifer Lai

1. Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

2. Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?
3. Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?
4. Will you love the “you” you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you’ve found to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
5. Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I’ll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

### **Benediction**

**Postlude:** “Thanks Be To Thee” - G.F. Handel

**Musician:** Jennifer Lai

**Set up team:** Sal & Deborah Butera, Beau Brandon, Mark Maddox

**Ushers:** Rod Betts, Don Lincoln, Peter McCreight, Russell Toppi

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### **LJUMC Ministry Team**

Rev. Bob Rhodes, Lead Pastor; Rev. Lea Booth, Pastor of Discipleship;  
Bob Wuertz, Music Ministries Director; Theresa Erb, Administrative Assistant;  
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