

REDLANDS UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey...you are welcome here.

Third Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2023

Prelude *Toccata* by Aram Khachaturian

Sophia Ohanian, Piano

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. John H. Pomeroy (Jake)

Call to Worship

Denise Cain

***Opening Hymn** # 473 *Blessed Assurance*

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of the Spirit, washed in Christ's blood.

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight!
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
[Refrain]

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blessed;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with God's goodness,
lost in Christ's love. [Refrain]

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

***Opening Prayer**

Denise Cain

Children's Circle

Caroline McAllister

Community Joys and Concerns

Rev. Jake

A Time for Silent Prayer and Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Jake

Our God in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come.
Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Special Music *Our Story* by Mark Burrows

Covenant Choir

Scripture *Luke 24: 13 - 35*

Denise Cain

Message *"Telling Our Story"*

Rev. Jake

Offertory *Lullaby* by Aram Khachaturian

Sophia Ohanian, Piano

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***Doxology**

Sophia Ohanian, Piano

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.

Prayer of Dedication

Denise Cain

***Closing Hymn** #522 *I love to Tell the Story* vs 1, 2, & 4

1. I love to tell the story
of unseen things above, Of Jesus' radiant
glory, of Jesus' endless love.
I love to tell the story, because I know it's
true; it satisfies my longings
as nothing else can do. [Refrain]

2. I love to tell the story;
more wonderful it seems than all the
golden visions of all our golden dreams.
I love to tell the story, I tell it now to you
because I want to share it,
because I know it's true. [Refrain]

4. I love to tell the story,
for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting
to hear it like the rest.
And when I sing in glory,
I know the new, new song
will be the old, old story
that I have loved so long. [Refrain]

Refrain:
I love to tell the story;
and when I am in glory
I'll tell the old, old story
of Jesus' endless love.

Benediction

Rev. Jake

Time of Reflection *Prelude in B minor* by Edward Baghdassarian

Sophia Ohanian, Piano

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Concerns:

- Prayers for Jill, Karen, and Daniella.
- Prayers for Sherrian Ellison who will be undergoing a breast biopsy. (4/18)
- Prayers for the family and friends of Gary Johnson, brother of Nan Root, who passed from life to Life. (4/18)
- Prayers for Connie Mitchell's mother, who has had a bad fall. (4/13)
- Prayers for Cid Breyer's son Dan, who is recuperating from surgery for a broken femur suffered in a bicycling accident. (4/13)
- Prayers for Caroline McAllister's brother Bill who is hospitalized. (4/13)
- Janet Wilson asks for prayers for her brother Clay who has developed lung problems resulting from his service in Iraq. (3/23)
- Julie Phillip asks for prayers for her brother Dean Phillip. (3/23)
- Prayers for the family and friends of Elinor (Ellie) Kemp who passed from life to Life last week. (3/16)
- Prayers for Sarah Breslaw and her family; her father is now in hospice care. (3/9)
- Prayers for Tim, husband of Nancy Doss, who has passed from life to Life. (3/12)
- Prayers for the friends and family of Carla Becerril's stepson Brian who passed from life to Life.
- Carla Becerril asks for prayers for her family; her aunt Helen passed from life to Life, and her cousin Jay suffered a heart attack following surgery. Jay is scheduled for additional surgery. (2/23)
- Prayers for Lori Michaels who fell and broke her shoulder and fractured her upper arm in three places. (2/9)
- Ongoing prayers for Ian Naftzger undergoing cancer treatment
- Jessica Lea asks for prayers for her friends Wilma and Carlos; Carlos has been diagnosed with lymphoma.
- Prayers for Janet Edwards, who is in the Plymouth Village Care Center following a fall with pelvic fractures.
- Prayers for Carla Becerril, who is on hospice and very much appreciates calls, visits, and notes.
- Prayers for Kathryn Gallagher, who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.
- Prayers for Cynthia McGuigan as she continues her health care journey.
- Jayne Miller requests prayers for her dear friend Richard, who is in chemo treatment for aggressive and rare cancer; and Loretta who is in ongoing rigorous treatment at City of Hope for ovarian cancer.
- We continue to hold in our prayers the people of Ukraine.

ONGOING CONCERNS

Jerry Andrews
Scott Ault
Dave, brother of Johanna Ballard
Bev Ching
Cousin of Rick Cruz
Norma Erickson
Katia Hage

Beki Hill
Jody Hoelle
Harriet Holt, Beki Hill's mother
Jenny, Sister of Jules Rattray
Hank Kirchner
Amber McGuigan
Floyd Orr

Ryan and Evan Paul
Jim Sommer
Spencer, friend of Stacey Greene
Robert Silver
Arika Torres
Rosemary Tuohy