

PRELUDE

"The Swan" from Carnival of the Animals

Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

Ben Solomonow, cello Yoojung Chung, piano

WELCOME

Molly Vetter
Senior Pastor

HYMN

All Who HungerTFWS No. 2126

Please stand as you are able.



MORNING PRAYER Diana Holbert

Pastor of Children and Families

Lord, the eyes of all look to You in hope; and You give them what they need. You open Your hand and satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.

We, too, turn to You again, longing to be filled to eat of the Bread of Life, to drink from Your life-giving streams, to taste Your goodness and live.

May the time we spend together in Your presence nourish our hearts and minds; may it strengthen our relationship with You, and renew our commitment to live in this world as Your faithful disciples.

For You alone are God, the Source and Sustainer of life.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

-Christine Longhurst

CHILDREN'S TIME Diana Holbert

HYMN How Can We Name a Love? UMH No. 111, vs. 1

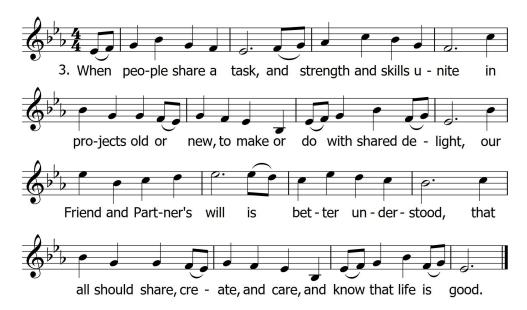


Words: Brian Wren © 1975 Hope Publishing Co. Music: TERRA BEATA, Trad. English melody; adapt. by Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915 Used by permission, OneLicense.net #A-712504 For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN How Can We Name a Love? UMH No. 111, vs. 3



SCRIPTURE READING

John 6:1-21

Tonia Symensma-Cohen and Savanna Cohen

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples,

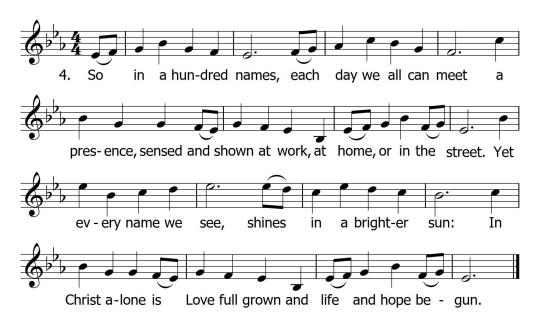
"Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN How Can We Name a Love? UMH No. 111, vs. 4



SERMON

Wider, Longer, Higher, Deeper

Molly Vetter

CALL TO PRAYER

"Allemande" from *Cello Suite No.1 in G major*Iohann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Ben Solomonow

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS AND THE WORLD

lim Edwards

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

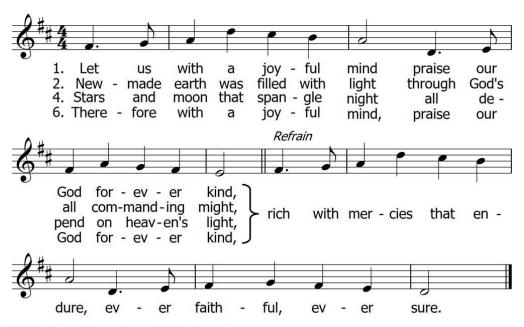
For thine is the kingdom, and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN

Let Us With a Joyful Mind

TFWS No. 2012

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ANNOUNCEMENTS Molly Vetter

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Gigue" from *Cello Suite No.1 in G major*Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Ben Solomonow

Participating in Today's Service

Pastoral Staff

Molly Vetter, Senior Pastor Diana Holbert, Pastor of Children & Family Ministries

Liturgists

Savanna Cohen Jim Edwards Denise Freese Tonia Symensma-Cohen

Music Leadership

Andrew Schultz, *Director of Sanctuary Music* Yoojung Chung, *Organist* Taylor Jacobs, *Tenor Soloist*

Guest Musicians

Byron Jones, *bass* Ben Solomonow, *cellist*

Production

Richard An & Maureen Schultz, *videography*Josh Morales, *sound engineer*

Flowers on the Altar

Given by Westwood UMC in honor and celebration of our wonderful organist, **Yoojung Chung**.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUEST MUSICIAN

This morning, our Sanctuary worship is enriched by the beautiful music of cellist Ben Solomonow playing works by Saint-Saëns and J.S. Bach. A winner of several national and international competitions, such as the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition (2012)



and the Alexander and Buono International String Competition (2013), Ben Solomonow has been featured on the American national radio stations WFMT and NPR, and has been invited to perform solo, chamber recitals, and concertos in halls including Walt Disney Concert Hall (Los Angeles), Carnegie Hall (New York), Ravinia's Bennett-Gordon Hall (Chicago), and the Seoul Arts Center (Seoul). Ben was part of several Westwood Sanctuary Service recordings over the past year, and we are happy to welcome him to be part of live worship!

MID-DAY PRAYER SERVICE Tuesdays & Thursdays (12noon) via FB Live

We invite you to stop, take a deep breath, and join us for a few moments of centering scripture, reflection and prayer. Led from our beautiful sanctuary, Mid-Day Prayer is live at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Westwood Church Community Facebook Group. Or, you can pray with us whenever you are able, later in the day. If you're new to this group, go to www.facebook.com/groups/westwood.umc and click on the "Join Group" button at the top of the page.

SANCTUARY ALTAR FLOWERS

Ever thought about sponsoring the flowers on the altar? It's a wonderful way to honor or remember a loved one, celebrate a special event or milestone, or just make the Sanctuary space more beautiful! Cost is \$85. You can even partner with a friend, committee, or other church group to help defray the cost. For more info or to sign up for a specific Sunday, please contact Sabrina Simmons at 310.474.451 or sabrina@westwoodumc.org.



WESTWOOD CHURCH

Westwood Church is a Christian community that welcomes all people and focuses on becoming and making disciples committed to justice, kindness and walking humbly with God. We welcome and affirm our ministry with all persons, regardless of age, race, ethnic origin, economic status, ability, gender, marital status or sexual orientation, from first-time visitor to lifetime member.

We seek to understand and carry out God's will, bearing witness to Christ's compassion and embracing the movement of the Holy Spirit in our lives. We foster spiritual growth in all persons - children, youth, and adults; through individual and corporate prayer and study, worship of God, nurturing relationships, and participating in ministries of justice and mercy at home and in the global community. ALL ministries of Westwood UMC are available to ALL people.

A Reconciling Church: We, the faith community of Westwood Church, affirm that a God-filled perspective understands and embraces diversity and radical inclusivity; for that reason we embrace and affirm the full inclusion of everyone regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. We explicitly welcome lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people who have been marginalized and diminished within the larger United Methodist tradition. We commit to embracing the responsibility of pushing for a more open and inclusive United Methodist Church. You are welcome here. You are included here.

The Sanctuary - 9:30am

A sacred gathering with traditional liturgy, a thoughtful message, and resounding organ.

More info: www.WestwoodUMC.org

The Loft - 10:30am

An innovative gathering with spiritual conversation, creativity, coffee, and music.

More info: www.TheLoftLA.org

Westwood Kids (Toddlers - 5th grade)

9:30am - The Sanctuary

Bring your child into The Sanctuary gathering, and they'll come forward for a special children's time during worship. Then, the children will follow their teachers to the courtyard for an outdoor classroom experience where you'll pick them up after the service. Infants should remain with their parents.

10:30am - The Loft

Sign in your child at the courtyard and pick them up after The Loft gathering. Infants should remain with their parents.

The Grapple Group (Grades 6-12)

10:30-11:30am - Room 100

