



Welcome to
FirstChristianChurch
of North Hollywood (Disciples of Christ)

Persistence
IN THE FACE OF
TRAGEDY

'See, your sister-in-law has gone
back to her people and to her gods;
return after your sister-in-law'

- RUTH 1:7 -

4390 Colfax Avenue | North Hollywood, CA 91604
Rev. Dr. Jonathan B. Hall, Senior Pastor
Taulau Tupua, Associate Pastor of Youth and Mission
Jennifer Le'au, Director of Children's Ministries
Alfredo Gomez & Loydi Rivas Gomez, Pastors, Spanish Speaking Congregation

ORDER OF SERVICE

10:00 am – 15 October 2023



* WHERE INDICATED, PLEASE RISE AS YOU ARE ABLE
PLEASE SILENCE ELECTRONIC DEVICES

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| Prelude | <i>Prelude and Fugue in G Major</i> (J. S. Bach) | David Rigsby |
| Choral Call to Worship | <i>All Creatures of Our God and King</i> (arr. Richard Kingsmore) | Chancel Choir |
| Call to Worship | | Pastor Taulau Tupua |
| *Opening Hymn | <i>Praise My Soul, the God of Heaven</i> | #23 |
| Announcements Opening Prayer | | LisaBay Santiago |
| Choral Anthem | <i>From the Rising to the Setting of the Sun</i> (David Lantz) | Chancel Choir |
| Welcome | | Pastor Taulau Tupua |
| | At this time, children are invited to come down to the steps of the chancel. | |
| Children's Message | | Jennifer Le'au |
| Scripture | Ruth 1:1-17 (p. 238) | read by LisaBay Santiago |
| Choral Call to Prayer | <i>Hear Our Prayer O Lord</i> (George Whelpton) | Chancel Choir |
| Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer (using debts) | | Pastor Jonathan Hall |
| Sermon | <i>Persistence in the Face of Tragedy</i> | Pastor Jonathan Hall |
| Special Music | | David Rigsby |
| Offertory Meditation | | John Currin |
| | Gifts offered in this service will be received in the offering plates. | |
| Offertory Music | <i>Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee</i> (arr. Fred Bock) | David Rigsby |
| Doxology | <i>Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow</i> | #47 |
| | Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly hosts: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen. | |
| Prayer of Thanksgiving | | John Currin |
| Communion Hymn | <i>The Steadfast Love of the Lord</i> - LYRICS BELOW | |
| | The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases His mercies never come to an end They are new every morning, new every morning Great is thy faithfulness, O Lord Great is thy faithfulness | |
| Communion Meditation | | Erica Christensen |
| Words of Institution/Prayer | | Pastor Jonathan Hall |

Partaking of the Lord's Supper

Partake of the elements as you receive them. The communion wine is non-alcoholic.
Your finished communion cup may be placed in the center of the tray.

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| Communion Music | | John Dickson, Piano |
| *Invitation Hymn | <i>Wonderful Words of Life</i> | #323 |
| | (Those who wish to unite with the church are invited to come forward at this time.) | |
| *Benediction | | Pastor Jonathan Hall |
| Benediction Response | <i>Let There Be Peace on Earth</i> | #677 |
| Postlude | <i>Allegro Maestoso</i> (G. F. Handel) | David Rigsby |



Following the service, please join us upstairs in the Social Hall for a Meet & Greet and refreshments hosted by Alberto & Anna Sigala.

— TODAY'S WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS —

- Rev. Dr. Jonathan B. Hall - Preaching
- Pastor Taulau Tupua - Associate Pastor of Youth and Mission
- David Rigsby - Music Director | Organist
- Jennifer Le'au - Director of Children's Ministries
- LisaBay Santiago - Worship Leader
- John Currin - Offertory Elder
- Erica Christensen - Communion Elder
- Milana Resta - Acolyte
- Rebecca Owen - Youth Diaconate

MUSICIANS

John Dickson - Piano



Flowers provided by *Floral Crush Studio*.

— CHANCEL FLOWER DONATION —

PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE (818.763.8218) TO DONATE FLOWERS IN COMMEMORATION OF A LOVED ONE OR TO MARK THE DATE FOR YOUR SPECIAL OCCASION.



Sound Enhancement Equipment is available, please see one of the Elders for assistance.



HUMAN NEEDS

WARM CLOTHING & BLANKETS

The need for warm clothing and blankets is increasing as the weather cools at night. The Human Needs Committee regularly distributes your donations at our **Lunch in the Park** events to those in need. Please take a look at the list below and consider donating one or more of these much-needed items:

- jackets
- sleeping bags
- jeans
- blankets
- socks
- sweatshirts/pants
- gloves
- rain ponchos
- tents
- and we're still collecting hygiene products

Donations can be dropped off at the church office during normal business hours. **Thank you!**



WE'RE CONSIDERING A HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

Attention all crafters and artists, we are exploring the idea to again have a holiday boutique one Sunday when our Christmas tree lot is up and running. If you are interested in having a table please see or contact Linda Finnell (finnell@me.com) or Loretta Rodriguez (joeysmom114@gmail.com) as soon as possible.



SAT, OCTOBER 28 TRUNK OR TREAT

Trunk or Treat | Halloween Festival
10am - 1pm • in the Parking Lot

Sign up to decorate your vehicle and be a part of the Trunk-or-Treat candy distribution at coliainc@mac.com.

The Turkey Shoot Golf Tournament IS RETURNING THIS YEAR

We are bringing back the annual Turkey Shoot Golf Tournament, which has been on hiatus since the beginning of the pandemic. As in the past, it will be a scramble format and we're holding it the Monday prior to Thanksgiving, November 20th, at 10 am in Sylmar. We invite golfers of all abilities—men, women, youth (with some experience of the game)—to participate. Fees have generally been around \$35-\$45 per player in the past.

Please contact Fred Sloan at 818.985.3278 or FRED_TED98@yahoo.com to indicate your interest so he can make the reservation.

WAYS YOU CAN DONATE

NOTE: Now you can donateow you can donate to the church via Zelle offering@fccnh.org.

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Venmo@fccnh.org

[Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly)

At www.fccnh.org or scan the code at right



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