

The logo features a stylized red flame or leaf shape on the left, with a black crossbar extending to the right. The text "Laguna Country" and "United Methodist Church" is written in a red, cursive font to the right of the crossbar.

Laguna Country
United Methodist Church



**Reaching Up, Reaching Out
Welcoming Everyone,
Serving in God's Love**

May 8th, 2022
9:30 AM

Order of Worship

May 8th, 2022

Loving God, thank you for all the women who've shown me your grace and brought peace and joy into my life. Amen.

Boldface type: The congregation speaks in unison

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Precious Lord Take My Hand
David Atkins, Pianist

(arr. Hayes)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Welcome to the community of faith, the family of God!

We come as families, large and small in number, seeking God's love.

God's love is here for you.

Help us to understand how we are connected to God.

We abide in Christ Jesus, in love and compassion.

May our spirits be renewed and our connection to God be strengthened through our worship today.

HYMN

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

#381 vs.1-4

1. Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care; in thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

3. Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be; thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse and power to free. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! We will early turn to thee. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! We will early turn to thee.

2. We are thine, thou dost befriend us, be the guardian of our way; keep thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray.

4. Early let us seek thy favor, early let us do thy will; blessed Lord and only Savior, with thy love our bosoms fill. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still.

UNISON PRAYER

Loving God, we come together this day celebrating the role that mothers have played in our lives. We thank you for the present love and the memories of our mothers and grandmothers. Open our hearts continually to your love through others. Keep us mindful of those for whom this is a difficult day. Help us to reach out to them. Jesus reminded his disciples that they always have a place in his heart and that there is a special place for them in God's realm. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Prayer
Sharon Homes & Scott Bonhard

(Sager/Foster)

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 23

Liz Heacock

The Divine Shepherd

A Psalm of David. The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

HYMN

Happy the Home When God is There

#445 vs.1-4

1. Happy the home when God is there,
and love fills every breast; when one their
wish, and one their prayer, and one their
heavenly rest.
2. Happy the home where Jesus' name
is sweet to every ear; where children early
speak his fame, and parents hold him
dear.
3. Happy the home where prayer is
heard, and praise is wont to rise; where
parents love the sacred Word and all its
wisdom prize.
4. Lord, let us in our homes agree this
blessed peace to gain; unite our hearts in
love to thee, and love to all will reign.



SECOND SCRIPTURE**Luke 2:41-52****The Boy Jesus in the Temple**

Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, 'Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.' He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

MOTHERS DAY VIDEO**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Eternal God, from the reading of the Scriptures, may your Word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. Amen.

SERMON

Rev. Doug Williams

RESPONSE**Into My Heart**

#2160 vs.1

1. Into my heart, into my heart, come into my heart, Lord Jesus; come in today, come in to stay; come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

PASTORAL PRAYER**LORDS PRAYER****PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Lord, we thank you for the many gifts you have poured into our lives for those who love us and nurture us; for those who teach us to be loving people. Bless those people and bless these gifts that we may work for you, bringing healing and hope to our fractured world. Amen.

HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign

#157 vs.1-5

1. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run; his kingdom spread from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
2. To Jesus endless prayer be made, and endless praises crown his head; his name like sweet perfume shall rise with every morning sacrifice.
3. People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.
4. Blessings abound where'er he reigns; all prisoners leap and loose their chains; the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.
5. Let every creature rise and bring honors peculiar to our King; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!

BLESSING

PEOPLES RESPONSE

Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place

#328

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place, I can feel His mighty power and His grace, I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

POSTLUDE

Blessed Assurance
David Atkins, Pianist

(arr. Hayes)



Prayer Request

... from Connie Gould, for my brother who will have bypass surgery tomorrow.

... for Sharon Simmons who is in the hospital after falling twice.

... for Mary Decker who is recovering from an infection and partial toe amputation.



Worship Leaders for Today

Worship Leader/Liturgist-

Liz Heacock

Organist-

Richard Warne

Cantor-

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