

MANHATTAN BEACH COMMUNITY CHURCH

October 5, 2025
World Communion Sunday

PRELUDE “Jeptha” (Oratorio March) G.F. Handel
Jean Whitcomb, Organist

WELCOME Rev. Dr. Mike Spitters
Senior Minister

ANNOUNCEMENTS Joanne Ordinario

HYMN: 517, “Love Divine All Loves Excelling” (verses 1-3)

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Kam Khavari

One: Rekindle the gift of God within you,

All: for God has given us a Spirit of power, love, and self-discipline.

One: Remember that faith that first lived in those who came before us,

All: and trust that it now lives in us, too.

One: Do not be ashamed of the gospel, but lean on God’s grace.

**All: We will stand strong on God’s ground – anchored in love,
rooted in community, and open to the Spirit’s leading.**

All: Come, let us worship the Living God!

OPENING PRAYER Kam Khavari

ADULT CHOIR ANTHEM: “Shall We Gather at the River” arr. John Carter
Kate Crellin, director; Stephen Pitters, accompanist

TIME WITH CHILDREN Rachel Bennett

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and LORD’S PRAYER Billy Minshall

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING 2 Timothy 1:1-14 (pg. 966) Billy Minshall

SERMON “Strong Ground”
Pastor Mike

SPECIAL MUSIC: “Ordinary” Alex Warren
Kate Crellin, voice and keyboard; Reese Perelson, voice

MISSION MOMENT Linda Van Der Baan

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OFFERTORY “Arietta” Carl Simone

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

We give thee but thine own, what e’re the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord from thee.

OFFERING PRAYER Kam Khavari

COMMUNION

ORGAN SELECTION “Cantilene” (Third Sonata for Flute) G.F. Handel

CLOSING HYMN 560, “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” (verses 1-3)

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION Pastor Mike

One: God be in my head

All: and in my thinking.

One: God be in my eyes

All: and in my seeing.

One: God be in my hands

All: and in my serving.

One: God be in my heart

All: and in my loving.

POSTLUDE “Trumpet Tune” Henry Purcell

*please rise in body or spirit

GREETERS: Tony and Linda West

USHERS: Neal Caya and Laura Somers; Sally Elenitsky and Linda West

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