



St. Andrews-Covenant Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Welcome to Worship! | February 18, 2024 | 1st Sunday of Lent

GATHERING

Prelude *Prelude in D Minor (BWV 539)*

J.S. Bach

Welcome

Moment for Missions A Safe Place

Choral Introit *Feed Us, Lord*

Greg Scheer

***Call to Worship** (written by Rev. Jenny McDevitt)

All who hunger, gather around the Table.

There is bread here, for empty bellies.

There is compassion here, for broken hearts.

There is grace here, for shattered lives.

There is family here, for lonely souls.

There is hope here, for all who need it.

All who hunger, gather around and lift your hearts to God.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

***Hymn 394** *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, forgive us, for what we cannot see. We see scarcity in scraps of bread and a couple of fish; you see a feast for thousands. We see a threat in someone who is different than we are; you see a beloved child. We see hopelessness in the world around us; you see a brand new day and another chance to do what is right. Have mercy upon us, O Lord. Open our eyes, our ears, and our lives that we may see the world and your people as you do. Give us love, give us hope and help us to share your love and hope with the world. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Sung Response 215** *What Wondrous Love Is This? (v. 1)*

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

Leader: The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

***Please stand in body or in spirit.**

WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson Isaiah 58:1-12

Second Lesson Mark 6:30-44

Sermon *Table Talk: Hungry*

Rev. Katherine B. Harrington

***Hymn 523** *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*

***Affirmation of Faith:** A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the Gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

THANKSGIVING

Offering and Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory *Kyrie* *Requiem for the Living*

Dan Forrest

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Exaudi orationem meam, ad te omnis caro veniet. Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

English Translation: Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Hear my prayer, for unto Thee all flesh shall come. Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord have mercy.

***Doxology 606**

***Prayer of Dedication**

SENDING

***Hymn 498** *Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken*

***Charge and Benediction**

***Dismissal** *We stand while the bell is rung three times, remembering that God, Creator, Redeemer and Renewer of Life goes with us.*

Postlude *The Acts of God Are Righteous*

Johann Walther

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor, Rev. Katherine B. Harrington
Parish Associate, Rev. Dr. Gary Smith
Director of Music, Cindy Litzinger
Choir Director, Angela Burns

Organist, Sara Bryant
Adult Choir
Production Coordinator, Jim Fox
Lay Reader, Hank Montgomery

Our Mission

Inspiring one another to love Jesus by staying faithfully present in our community.