



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

Welcome to Worship! | July 27, 2025 | 7th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

Prelude *Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now! BWV 709*

J. S. Bach

Welcome

Commissioning of CROSS Service Trip Participants

***Call to Worship**

Rev. Parker Lucas

We will walk this day with you, O God, and you will walk with us,
gathering us into a community to pray for one another in all things.
We will walk this day with you, O Christ, and you will walk with us,
calling us to follow you, helping us to set aside all that holds us back.
We will walk this day with you, O Spirit, and you will walk with us,
sending us out, side by side, to serve those cast aside by the world.

***Hymn 610** *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Call to Confession

Forgive us, O Lord, for we are too willing to descend into the areas of life that are detrimental to our wellbeing, but reluctant to enter into your presence. How can we stand on sin's shaky foundations, yet find it impossible to dance in your joy? Why are we so quick to proclaim our achievements, and do not seem to be able to hear your whispers of hope for us? Forgive us, Eternal Friend, and fill us with your mercy. May we set our hope in you, who came so that we might be inheritors of your love, peace, and faithfulness forever. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Sung Response 582** *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Membership Award

WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson Psalm 85: 4-13

Second Lesson Colossians 2:6-15

Sermon *Walk in Christ*

Rev. Dr. Gary Smith

***Hymn 726** *Will You Come and Follow Me (The Summons)*

***Affirmation of Faith** Apostles' Creed (hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

THANKSGIVING

Offering

Offertory *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

Michael Helman

***Doxology 606**

***Prayer of Dedication**

SENDING

***Hymn 720** *Jesus Calls Us*

***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 *Scherzo*

Alan Ridout

Worship Leaders

Parish Associate, Rev. Dr. Gary Smith
Associate Pastor, Rev. Parker Lucas
Director of Music, Cindy Litzinger
Organist/Pianist, Sara Bryant

Adult Handbells
Production Coordinator, Jim Fox
Lay Reader, Kathleen Denlinger

Our Mission

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