



St. Andrews-Covenant

Presbyterian Church | PC (USA)

Welcome to Worship! | January 22, 2023

It is good you are here! Please silence all electronic devices.

GATHERING

Prelude *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

Michael Burkhardt

Welcome

***Call to Worship**

Leader: I am with you, says the Lord.

People: Therefore, we will not fear.

Leader: God calls each and everyone of us by name.

People: Therefore, we will not fear.

Leader: God claims each one of us, saying you are mine, do not be afraid.

ALL: Let us worship God, who calls us, loves us, and invites us to follow.

***Gathering Prayer**

***Hymn No. 401** *Here in this Place (Gather Us In)*

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that we have wandered from your light. We follow paths of self-indulgence, instead of focusing on our need of you. We passively accept the suffering of the world, expecting others to stand up and work for the change we would like to see. Lord, forgive us, and in your strength, renew us and compel us by your invitation that we may work to pursue your justice and mercy for all people, sharing your light in ways great and small. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Sung Response** *We Bless the Father* (back cover of hymnal)

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

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

People: And also with you.

WORD

Old Testament Lesson: *Isaiah 9:1-4*

New Testament Lesson: *Matthew 4:12-23*

Sermon: *The Immediacy of Discipleship*

Rev. Katherine B. Harrington

***Hymn No. 726** *Will You Come and Follow Me*

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

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

*Please stand as you are able.

THANKSGIVING

Offering and Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory *Will You Come and Follow Me*

arr. Tom Trenney

***Doxology No. 606**

***Prayer of Dedication**

SENDING

***Hymn No. 744** *Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

***Blessing**

***Dismissal**

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

Postlude *Toccata in F (BuxWV 157)*

Dietrich Buxtehude

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Worship Leaders

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

Adult Choir
Organist/pianist, Sara Bryant
Lay reader, Carol Query

