



# St. Andrews-Covenant

Presbyterian Church | PC (USA)

## Welcome to Worship! | May 22, 2022

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

### GATHERING

**Prelude** (8:30) *Balm in Gilead*  
(11:00) *Adagio from Sonata No. 5*

arr. Fred Bock  
Josef Rheinberger

**Welcome**  
**CNC Update**

#### **\*Call to Worship**

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**People: the maker of heaven and earth.**

Leader: Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,

**People: they shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.**

#### **\*Gathering Prayer**

**\*Hymn No. 610** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

#### **Prayer of Confession**

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

#### **Declaration of Pardon**

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**\*Sung Response No. 443** *There is a Redeemer (verse 2)*

#### **\*Sharing the Peace of Christ**

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

**People: And also with you.**

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\*Please stand as you are able.

#### **Intercession for Healing**

Leader: God our Creator, your will for us and for all people is wholeness and salvation:

**People: have mercy on us.**

Jesus Christ, Son of God, you came that we might have life and have it in abundance:

**People: have mercy on us.**

Leader: Holy Spirit, dwelling within us, you make us temples of your presence:

**People: have mercy on us.**

Leader: To the Triune God, the source of all love and all life, let us offer our prayers.

Leader: For all who are in need of physical, mental or emotional healing....

**People: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Leader: For all who are disabled by injury or illness, and those burdened by chronic pain...

**People: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Leader: For all whose increasing years bring weariness....

**People: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Leader: For all who are about to undergo or who have recently undergone surgery....

**People: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Leader: For all who cannot sleep....

**People: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Leader: For all who struggle with addictions or suicidal thoughts...

**People: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Leader: For all who mourn the loss of a loved one....

**People: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Leader: For all who practice the healing arts.....

**People: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

**All: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## WORD

**Scripture Reading:** John 5:1-15

**Sermon:** "Do You Want to Get Well?"

Rev. Dr. Robert Bayley

**\*Hymn No. 735** *I Need Thee Every Hour*

**The Ministry of Prayer for Healing and Wholeness**

**Prayer: Gracious God, source of all healing, in Jesus Christ you heal the sick and mend the broken. By your Spirit, come to all upon whom we lay hands, that they may know your healing touch and be made whole, to the glory of Jesus Christ our redeemer. Amen.**

## THANKSGIVING

**Offering**

**Offertory** (8:30) *Prelude (Op. 28, No. 7)*

Frederic Chopin

(11:00) *Peace Like a River*

James Moffatt

I've got peace like a river in my soul. I've got joy overflowing in my soul.  
I've got life everlasting in my soul. Hallelujah, praise the Lord.

**\*Doxology No. 606**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Communion (8:30 only)**

*(All are invited to the Table of our Lord. The distribution of the elements will be shared by intinction, the dipping of bread into a common cup. The congregation will receive communion using the center aisle. Please return using the side aisles. Pre-packaged elements and gluten-free bread are available if preferred.)*

**\*Choral Invitation No. 507** *Come to the Table of Grace (verses 1 and 2)*

**Invitation to the Table**

**Prayer over the Table**

**Words of Institution**

**Sharing of Bread and Cup Together**

**Communion Music** *Come, Share the Lord*

Bryan Leech arr. John Carter

**Prayer**

## SENDING

**\*Hymn No. 546** *Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing*

**\*Blessing**

**\*(11:00) Choral Benediction**

**\*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 (8:30)** *Come Thou Fount*

John Purifoy

(11:00) *Festive Trumpet Tune*

David German

**Worship Leaders**

Interim Head Pastor, Rev. Dr. Robert Bayley  
 Parish Associate, Rev. Dr. Gary Smith  
 Director of Music, Cindy Litzinger  
 Choir Director, Bryan Hughes

Organist/Pianist, Sara Bryant  
 Adult Choir (11:00)  
 Lay Reader, Virginia Hager (8:30)  
 Lay Reader, Tom Pappendick (11:00)

**Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) Updates:**

**LAST PNC Listening & Feedback Session**

With Holy Cow Leader, Emily Swanson  
 May 24, 6:30-8:30pm, Zoom (link will be sent out)

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**“Do you want to get well?”**

St. Andrews-Covenant Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, North Carolina  
 Sunday 22 May 2022 Rev. Dr Robert Bayley, Interim Pastor  
 Scripture: John 5:1-15

**John 5:1-15 - The role of others.**

Jesus: *“Do you want to get well?”*

The invalid: *“Sir, I have no one to help me...”*

**Q:** Who might God want you to allow to participate in your journey toward getting well?

**Q:** Who might God want you to come alongside on their journey toward wholeness?

**Mark 10:46-52 - The role of our asking**

Jesus: *“What do you want me to do for you?”*

Bartimaeus: *“I want to see.”*

**Q:** What do you want Jesus to do for you?\_\_\_\_\_

**Matthew 9:27-31 - The role of God’s ability**

The blind men: *“Have mercy on us, Son of David.”*

Jesus: *“Do you believe I am able to do this?”*

**Q:** Fundamental question: do you believe Jesus is still able to heal today? ( ) Yes ( ) No

Why?\_\_\_\_\_

**Mark 1:40-45 - The role of God’s will**

Man with leprosy: *“If you are willing, you can make me clean.”*

Jesus: *“I am willing. Be clean!”*

**Q:** Where in your need for wholeness are you seeking God’s will, not just healing?

**James 5:13-16 - The role of the Church**

Question: *“Is any one of you sick?”*

Response: *“They should call for the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven.”*

**Q:** Would you like to avail yourself of this ministry of the church this morning? If so, please come forward when invited to do so.

**MONDAY MORNING**

During your quiet time each morning reflect on one of the stories of healing, above. Answer the questions, then ask the Holy Spirit to show you how and where what you are reading applies to your needs for healing and to help you interpret your answers in the contexts of the texts.

**Sermon feedback: [rbayley@sacpc.org](mailto:rbayley@sacpc.org)**

## **FAITH-BUILDING SCRIPTURES**

*“So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.” Romans 10:17 KJV*

*“I am the Lord who heals you.” Exodus 15:26*

*“O Lord my God, I called to you for help and you healed me.” Psalm 30:2*

*“Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. He forgives all my sins and heals all my diseases; he redeems my life from the pit;...” Psalm 103:2-4*

*“They cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. He sent forth his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave.” Psalm 107:19-20*

*“There is a time for everything...a time to heal.” Ecclesiastes 3:1,3*

*“He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.” Isaiah 40:29*

*“The Lord comforts his people and will have compassion on his afflicted ones.” Isaiah 49:13*

*“Surely he took up our infirmities....and by his wounds we are healed.” Isaiah 53:4,5*

*“I have seen their ways, but I will heal them; I will guide them and restore comfort to them; creating praise on the lips of the mourners in Israel. Peace, peace, to those far and near,’ says the Lord. ‘And I will heal them.’” Isaiah 57:18-19*

*“Heal me, O Lord, and I will be healed, save me and I will be saved,...” Jeremiah 17:14*

*“I will heal my people and let them enjoy abundant peace and prosperity.” Jeremiah 33:6*

*“...the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in his wings...” Malachi 4:2*

*“When Jesus...saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.” Mt. 14:14*

*“Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well.” 3 John 1:2*

*“Philip went down to a city in Samaria and proclaimed the Christ there. When the crowds heard Philip and saw the miraculous signs he did, they all paid close attention to what he said. With shrieks, evil spirits came out of many, and many paralytics and cripples were healed. So there was great joy in that city.” Deacon Philip, Acts 8:4-8.*

***“I am the Lord, I change not.” Malachi 3:6***

***“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.” Hebrews 13:8***