



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

Welcome to Worship! | September 1st, 2024 | 15th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

Prelude *Élévation—Op. 5, No. 2*

Jean Batiste

Welcome

***Call to Worship**

God teaches us the way of righteousness,
the way of love, the way of peace.
We glorify God,
gathering to hear God's word.
We glorify God,
enacting God's word in the world.

***Hymn 32** *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God, we admit that all is not well with us. We are easily angered and slow to forgive. We speak without listening and pretend to listen without really hearing. Our tongues become weapons rather than instruments of healing. We are more critical than helpful toward the poor in our midst. Hidden in our hearts are the attitudes that produce avarice, deceit, and violation of our promises to you and to one another. Turn us around so we can accept your forgiveness and learn to love ourselves as you want us to be, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Sung Response** *581 Glory Be to the Father*

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

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

WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson Psalm 15

Second Lesson James 1:17-27

Sermon *Faith that Works: Quick to Listen and Slow to Speak*

Rev. Katherine B. Harrington

*Please stand in body or in spirit.

*Hymn 692 *Spirit, Open My Heart*

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

THANKSGIVING

Offering and Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory *Acclamation in G Minor*

Karen Thompson

*Doxology 606

*Prayer of Dedication

COMMUNION

(All are invited to the Lord's Table. The elements will be shared by intinction, each person receiving a piece of bread to dip into the common cup. The congregation will come up the center aisle and return using the side aisles. Pre-packaged elements and gluten-free bread are available.)

*Choral Invitation 507 *Come to the Table of Grace (v2)*

Come to the table of peace. Come to the table of peace.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of peace.

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Receiving Communion Together

Communion Music *Andante from Organ Concerto in G Minor*

G.F. Handel arr. C. Van Graan

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

*Hymn 295 *Go to the World!*

*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 *Postlude in C*

Henry Smart

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor, Rev. Katherine B. Harrington
Parish Associate, Rev. Dr. Gary Smith
Director of Music, Cindy Litzinger
Organist, Sara Bryant

Pianist, Steve Lowry
Adult Handbells
Production Coordinator, Jim Fox
Lay Reader, Evelyn Estep

Our Mission

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