



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

**Welcome to Worship! | May 17, 2026 | 7th Sunday of Easter**

## GATHERING

**Prelude** *Alleluia! Christ Is Arisen!*

Luis Bojos arr. James Biery

**Welcome**

**Moment for Mission**

**\*Call to Worship**

Rev. Dr. Gary Smith

Let us lift up the name of the Lord;

**And rejoice for God hears our prayers!**

Praise the One who brings healing to our pain;

**And causes joy to follow the long night of sorrow!**

We will not be silent. We will not still our tongues!

**O Lord, our God, we will give thanks to You forever!**

**\*Hymn 475** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

Healing God, your Son Jesus sat at the table with outcasts and sinners, but we confess that too often our words and actions are not consistent with our beliefs. Often we ignore the needy, show indifference to the lonely, and reject those who seem different from us. Forgive us, we pray. Empower us to reach out in love and acceptance through your name.

**Moment for Reflection and Silent 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.**

## WORD

**Prayer for Illumination**

**First Lesson** Psalm 30

**Second Lesson** Mark 5:21-43

**Sermon** *Divine Interruptions*

Rev. Katherine B. Harrington

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\*Please stand in body or in spirit.

**\*Hymn 792** *There Is a Balm in Gilead*

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

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

### **THANKSGIVING**

**Offering**

**Offertory** *Like a River In My Soul*

Arr. Tim Osiek

I've got peace like a river in my soul. I've got peace like a river, a soothing river, calmly flows. When the world closes in, feel the stillness within. I've got love like an ocean in my soul. I've got love like an endless ocean, deep and full. When you're lost and alone, let the waves bring you home, I've got joy like a fountain in my soul. When your hope nearly dies, just remember, once again, you shall rise!

**\*Doxology 606**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

### **SENDING**

**\*Hymn 157** *I Danced in the Morning*

**\*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** *Flourish*

Douglas Wagner

### **Worship Leaders**

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

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

### **The Flowers in the Sanctuary**

are given by Steve and Dawn Wallace to the glory of God and in memory of Steve's mother, Edith R. Wallace, whose birthday was May 18th, and in memory of Dawn's daughter, Melissa Huggins Jones, whose birthday was May 21st.

### **Our Mission**

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