



St. Andrews-Covenant

Presbyterian Church | PC (USA)

Welcome to Worship! | November 13, 2022

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

GATHERING

Prelude *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

David Schwoebel

Welcome

Moment for Mission *Salvation Army Angel Tree*

Ann Danchak

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We are here to follow Jesus—

People: with fumbling steps,

Leader: and questioning minds,

People: with open hands,

Leader: and pierced hearts,

People: with joy for each other,

Leader: and gratitude to God.

People: Let us follow Jesus. Let us Worship God.

***Gathering Prayer**

***Hymn No. 403** *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*

Prayer of Confession

God of creation, we keep messing things up. Forgive us for what we do, and for all the things we let happen. We ignore Jesus and sometimes we make bad decisions. We swear and sometimes we try to get revenge. Forgive us for war, for fighting over stupid things, and for the bullying and shootings in our schools. Forgive us for the fact that racism, global warming and suicide are things that exist in our world. Forgive us for our lack of respect for others and our lack of respect for you. We ask all of this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Sung Response No. 581** *Glory Be to the Father*

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

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

People: And also with you.

*Please stand as you are able.

WORD

Scripture Reading: Psalm 32: 1-5; Luke 15: 20-24, 31-32

Sermon: *The Blessedness of Forgiveness*

Rev. Dr. Gary Smith

***Hymn No. 649** *Amazing Grace*

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

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

THANKSGIVING

Offering and Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory *"Ain't Got Time to Die"*

Steve Hassmer, Baritone Soloist

arr. Hall Johnson

***Doxology No. 606**

***Prayer of Dedication**

SENDING

***Hymn No. 475** *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

***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 *Rondeau*

Henry Purcell

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Worship Leaders

Parish Associate, Rev. Dr. Gary Smith
Liturgist, Kyle Thompson
Director of Music, Cindy Litzinger
Choir Director, Angela Burns
Organist, Sara Bryant
Pianist, Steve Lowry
Adult Choir
Lay Reader, Melinda Stewart

