



St. Andrews-Covenant

Presbyterian Church | PC (USA)

Welcome to Worship! | October 16, 2022

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

GATHERING

Prelude *Jesus Loves Me*

Schelat

Welcome

Stewardship Update

Tony McEwen (video)

Introit *Sing and Celebrate!*

Martin

Elementary Choir (K-5th grade)

***Call to Worship**

Ryder McEwen

Leader: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; God's mercies never come to an end;

People: they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness, O Lord; great is your faithfulness.

***Gathering Prayer**

We pray to you, O God: be our helper and protector. Save the afflicted, have mercy on the lowly, raise up the fallen, help the needy, humble the proud, return the lost, feed the hungry, release the captive, heal the sick, revive the weak, and comfort those in fear. All this we ask for the sake of the world you love, and in the name of the one you sent to save us: Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Clement of Rome, c. 35 - 99 AD, first Bishop of Rome

***Hymn No. 821** *My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep From Singing?)*

Anthem *Etude*

Thompson

Elementary Handchimes (K-2nd grade)

Prayer of Confession

Behold, Lord, an empty vessel that needs to be filled; my Lord, fill it. I am weak in the faith; strengthen me. I am cold in love; warm me and make me fervent, that my love may go out to my neighbor. I do not have a strong and firm faith; at times I doubt and am unable to trust you altogether. O Lord, help me. Strengthen my faith and trust in you. In you I have sealed the treasure of all I have. I am poor; you are rich and came to be merciful to the poor. I am a sinner; you are upright. With me, there is an abundance of sin; in you is the fullness of righteousness. Therefore, I will remain with you. Amen.

Martin Luther, Reformer, 1483-1546

Assurance of Forgiveness

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

**Please stand as you are able.*

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

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

People: And also with you.

WORD

Anthem *Prelude to Sunrise*

Eithun

Elementary Handbells (3rd - 5th grade)

Scripture Reading: John 1:43-51

Luke Lanier

Sermon: *Jesus saw me before I ever knew him*
"...I saw you under the fig tree..."

Matthew McDonald

***Hymn No. 836** *Abide With Me*

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

Behnke

***Doxology No. 606**

***Prayer of Dedication**

SENDING

***Hymn No. 39** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

***Blessing**

***Dismissal**

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

Postlude *Fantasia on "Houston"*

Behnke

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Worship Leaders

Interim Head Pastor, Rev. Dr. Robert Bayley

Parish Associate, Rev. Dr. Gary Smith

Guest preacher, Matthew McDonald

Director of Music, Cindy Litzinger

Organist/Pianist, Sara Bryant

m&m (Music and More), children's vocal, handchime and handbell choirs

m&m Co-Leader, Lynn Warner