



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

Welcome to Worship! | November 16, 2025 | 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

Prelude *It Is Well with My Soul*

arr. John Purifoy

Welcome

Moment for Mission

***Call to Worship**

Let us sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done marvelous things!

We will make a joyful noise to the Lord with all the earth!

Let the sea roar and all that fills it, the world and those who live in it.

Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy.

Let us rejoice in God's presence, for the Lord is coming.

Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with all the earth!

***Hymn 361** *O Christ, the Great Foundation*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession⁺

Gracious and loving God, we confess that we are troubled by the events of our lives and the state of this world. Headlines are full of wars, insurrections, suffering, earthquakes, famines, and death. These things are enough to shake our faith and undermine our confidence in your promise. Lord, we believe; help our unbelief. Deliver us from speculation that distracts us from faithful living and loving service. Forgive us when we doubt your promises. Help us to endure that we may gain our souls, always bearing witness to your love and grace in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 98

⁺Please stand in body or in spirit.

Second Lesson Luke 21:5-19

Sermon *When it feels like the world is ending, testify!*

Rev. Katherine B. Harrington

***Hymn 840** *When Peace like a River (It is Well with My Soul)*

***Affirmation of Faith** *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

THANKSGIVING

Offering

Offertory *For the Beauty of the Earth*

arr. Rutter

***Doxology 606**

***Prayer of Dedication**

SENDING

***Hymn 370** *This Is My Father's World*

***Charge and Benediction**

***Congregational Response** *Guide My Feet*

Guide my feet while I run this race. Guide my feet while I run this race. Guide my feet while I run this race, for I don't want to run this race in vain!

Postlude *Allegro from Sonata, K. 282*

W.A. Mozart

Worship Leaders

Senior Pastor, Rev. Katherine B. Harrington
Associate Pastor, Rev. Parker Lucas
Director of Music, Cindy Litzinger
Choir Director, Angela Burns

Pianist, Sara Bryant
Adult Choir
Production Coordinator, Jim Fox
Lay Reader, Melinda Stewart

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Our Mission

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