

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ANAHEIM

AUGUST 9, 2020

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

'Maryton', arr. G. Young

CALL TO WORSHIP

Gracious God, we bring you the broken parts of ourselves.

Hem us in before and behind.

Creator God, we bring you the joyful parts of ourselves.

Weave us together in hope and praise.

God of new life, we bring you our doubt and fear knotted up in our hearts.

Unravel our doubt. Weave faith into our hearts. Draw us together and point us toward you.

HYMN

Though I May Speak

Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, And have not love, my words are vain; as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess, And striving so my love profess. But not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship and are freed.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have failed to do what we could to right the wrongs we encounter and to usher in your Kingdom. Have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.

SOLO

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 1:22, 2:1-10

SERMON

"Unraveled Wrong"

Rev. Lynn Stone

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Great Weaver- Who stiches us together in community,
Collecting our loose ends and turning them into belonging.
I believe in the Holy Spirit- Who hems us in before and behind,
Catching us when we fall and writing us into God's holy narrative.
And I believe in Jesus Christ- Who loved and claimed the people society had thrown out, refusing to disregard anyone as scrap.
I believe God has woven part of God's self into the fiber of our being,
Making us inherently worthy of love and belonging.
I believe in the Church, and that like a quilt of different fabrics, is designed to be as diverse and beautiful as God's creation.
And I believe that when life unravels, God is there to stitch my wounds together,
And to invite me into a new journey. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

HYMN

O Master, Let me Walk with Thee

O Master, let me walk with Thee in lowly paths of service free; Tell me Thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move, by some clear, winning word of love; Teach me the wayward feet to stray, and guide them in the homeward way.

In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way; In peace that only Thou canst give, with Thee, O Master, let me live.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

All is Well

arr. Mark Kellner

Today's Call to Worship and Affirmation by Sarah Are, © A Sanctified Art

Today's Worship Leade

Lynne Stone, Guest Preacher Rick Connor, Worship Leader Carol Hughes, Organist/Pianist David Hughes, Hymn Leader Sam Miller, Soloist Abbott Hatch, Sound and Video