



First Presbyterian Church of Anaheim

November 15, 2020

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

When in Our Music God is Glorified

arr. Dan Miller

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come! Share the joy of the Lord!

Delight in God's goodness!

Praise God who gives each person abundant gifts to be nurtured and shared.

We give thanks to God for these gifts!

Come, let us worship God who entrusts us with so much.

May we be made worthy of God's love and trust in us!

HYMN NO.428

We Give Thee But Thine Own (vs. 1,2,4)

We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;

All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive,

And gladly, as Thou blesses us, To Thee our first-fruits give.

The captive to release, To God the lost to bring,

To teach the way of life and peace—It is a Christ-like thing.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Again we must confess, Abundant God, our struggles to be faithful disciples.

Entrusted with all your gifts, we become fearful of misusing them, missing the chance to be a blessing to others. Invited to dance in the light of your love, we stand against the wall, keeping company with our old friend, sin. Journeying God, have mercy on us.

Open our eyes to your kingdom in our midst, so we might discover that your day of hope and grace has already come in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

ANTHEM

Now Thank We All Our God

arr. J.S. Bach

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 25:14-30

SERMON

"Dangerous Possibility"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

by Allen and Sarah Ewing-Merrill

We believe in God, Creator of the universe, Giver of every good gift, Author of life itself. We believe in Jesus Christ, who reminded us of the coming of God's kingdom, who commanded us to care for those in need, who taught us to store up treasures in heaven, not on earth, and who gave us the example of self-giving love. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who inspires us to faithful stewardship of God's gifts, in whom we live and move and have our being, by whom all things are possible. We believe that God has given us gifts to be shared freely and generously, in a spirit of love and joy. We acknowledge that we are merely stewards of all that is God's, caretakers of God's home. We believe that faithful stewardship is an act of worship, a means of praising God who has blessed us so abundantly. We believe that God has great things in store for us, for it is in giving that we receive.

PRAYER & 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 NO.369 *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE *Now Thank We All Our God* J. Cruger, arr. Howard/Rogers/Price

Today's Worship Leaders:

Kim Skilling, Pastor
David Hughes, Director of Music
Carol Hughes, Accompanist
AFPC's Intern Choir
Abbott Hatch, Video and Sound