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Anaheim First Presbyterian Church

10:30 AM

PRELUDE Album Leaf Robert Schumann

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing* Gordon Young

CALL TO WORSHIP

Here is a place of encounter, a meeting between the ordinary and the most Holy.

Here burns the sacred fire, the sign of a mysterious presence.

Here the weary find rest and the troubled discover ease.

Here our spirits are kindled afresh, and our feet set on the right road.

Here in this place a call is given, and a mission is received.

Let us worship Almighty God with songs of praise and prayers of redemption.

Hymn No. 419 (v. 1 & 4) *How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord* Repton

How clear is our vocation, Lord, when once we hear Your call;

To live according to Your word, and daily learn, refreshed, restored,

That You are Lord of all and will not let us fall.

In what you give us, Lord, to do, together or alone,

In old routines or ventures new, may we not cease to look to You--

The cross You hung upon--all You endeavored done.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Steadfast God, before you we are weak and feeble. We make promises we do not keep, not because we are unable but because we are unwilling. We get distracted by pleasures that do not last and succumb to desires that bear little fruit. In your mercy, do not remember our sins, but forgive our iniquities, that we may fix our eyes on you and sin no more. We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE PSALM 51:1-2

ANTHEM *Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven* arr. Gordon Young

GOSPEL READING JOHN 12:20-26

SERMON "From Death to Life"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From the Confession of 1967

Out of Israel, God in due time raised up Jesus. His faith and obedience were the response of the perfect child of God. He was the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel, the beginning of the new creation, and the pioneer of the new humanity. He gave history its meaning and direction and called the church to be his servant for the reconciliation of the world. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

HYMN 388 (v. 1, 3, & 4) *O Jesus, I Have Promised* Angel's Story

O Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end, Be Thou Forever near me, My Master and my friend. I shall not fear the battle, if Thou are by my side, Nor wander from the pathway if Thou wilt be my guide.

O let me hear Thee speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion, The murmers of self will; O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, Thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, Thou hast promised to all who follow Thee that where Thou art in glory There shall Thy servant be; And, Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, My Master and my friend.

Charge & Benediction

We wish to see Jesus, do we not? See a man who brought life to others. See this Jesus who turned water to wine and made glad the hearts of his people. See this Jesus who gave himself for us.

We would see Jesus. See Jesus in the streets in the lives of those who hunger and thirst.

We wish to see Jesus. See Jesus in the homes of those who grieve and are heavy laden.

We would see Jesus. See Jesus in the faces of little children, in the ghettos, the highways, the by-ways of our nation. Yes, we would see Jesus, so we must go into the world.

May the love of God, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the fellowship and communion of the Holy Spirit go with us all.

POSTLUDE

Prelude in C minor

J. S. Bach

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:

Tom Cramer, Guest Pastor

David Hughes, Director of Music

Carol Hughes, Accompanist

Abbott Hatch. Rick Connor, and Richard Ramich, Video and Sound