

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ANAHEIM



Anaheim First Presbyterian Church

May 15, 2022 @ 10:30 am

PRELUDE

There is a Redeemer

Melody Green

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

I Am the Resurrection

Thomas Morely

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus reminded the disciples

Love one another as I have loved you.

Jesus taught and witnessed to God's love

Love one another as I have loved you.

Jesus encourages us to love each other with tenderness, compassion, and hope.

Let us love one another as Christ loved us. AMEN.

HYMN 376(v. 1, 2 &3)

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Hyfrydol

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down,

Fix in us Thy humble dwelling all Thy faithful mercies crown!

Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure unbounded love Thou art;

Visit us with Thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!

Let us all in Thee inherit, let us find the promised rest;

Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;

End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Finish, then, Thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be;

Let us see Thy great salvation perfectly restored in Thee;

Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,

Till we cast our crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all people, our hearts are too narrow, our perspectives are too small.

We reject those who are not like us—those with different political opinions, those who struggle with mental illness, those who disagree with us.

We forget that all are your beloved children, and neglect your call to love one another.

Forgive us, O God, for the many ways we have failed to be a people known by our love.

Show us how to be more caring. Teach us how to love one another and make us faithful disciples. Amen.

ANTHEM

Alleluia

Randall Thompson

PASSING OF THE PEACE

RESPONSE *Halle, Halle, Halleluja!*

Halle, Halle, Halleluja! Halle, Halle, Halleluja! Halle, Halle, Halleluja! Halleluja! Halleluia!

SCRIPTURE Acts 11:1-8 and John 13:31-35

SERMON *When Grumpy Old Peter Went to Farmer's Market in Joppa...*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH An Easter Affirmation by Kennon Callahan

We believe that...Hope is stronger than memory.

Salvation is stronger than sin. Forgiveness is stronger than bitterness.

Reconciliation is stronger than hatred. Resurrection is stronger than crucifixion.

Light is stronger than darkness. The empty tomb is stronger than the bloodied cross.

The risen Lord is stronger than the dead Jesus. Easter is stronger than Good Friday.

We are the Easter people. We are the people of hope.

We are the people of the empty tomb, the risen Lord, the new life in Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional, hymnal p. 14)

***HYMN NO 358** *Help Us Accept Each Other*

Baronita

Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us; teach us as sister, brother,
Each person to embrace. Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe
We are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.

Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life we struggle to be human
And search for hope and faith. Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some,
To love them as we find them or as they may become.

Let Your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved in living situations
To do the truth in love; to practice Your acceptance until we know by heart
The table of forgiveness and laughter's healing art.

Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need, who hunger for acceptance,
For righteousness and bread, we need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding one;
Renew us with Your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one!

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *'Hyfrydol'*

arr. Mark Kellner

Today's Worship Leaders:

Stanley Kim, Preacher

A.J. Stevens, Choral Directing, Carol Hughes, Accompanist,

Abbott Hatch & Richard Ramich, Video and Sound



Announcements