

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ANAHEIM



Anaheim First Presbyterian Church

May 8, 2022 @ 10:30 am

PRELUDE

Come, Thou Fount

'Nettleton', arr. Gordon Young

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

Alleluia! O Praise the Lord Most Holy

J.S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

We are here because we have heard the call of Jesus in our lives.

We are here to challenge and support one another to choose life and follow Christ.

We are here because we want to be God's people.

We want to learn more about what it means to be the people of God.

We come, seeking to be moved, changed, and made whole by the Spirit of the living God.

Let us say "yes" to the movement of the Spirit in our midst. Let us worship God together.

HYMN 483 (v. 1, 3, 4)

Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

Mit Freuden Zart

Sing praise to God, who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power,
The God of love, The God of our salvation; with healing balm my soul is filled,
And every faithless murmur stilled: To God all praise and glory!

The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing, An ever present help and stay,
our peace, and joy, and blessing; as with a mother's tender hand,
God gently leads the chosen band: To God all praise and glory!

Thus all my gladsome way along, I sing aloud thy praises that all may hear
The grateful song my voice unwearied raises. Be joyful in the Lord, my heart,
Both soul and body take your part: To God all praise and glory!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and Holy God, For those times we have chosen death over life for ourselves,

Forgive us. [Silence]

For those times we have chosen death over life for others,

Forgive us. [Silence]

For those times we have chosen not to receive your blessings,

Forgive us. [Silence]

For those times we have prevented others from receiving your blessings,

Forgive us. [Silence]

For each time we have made the easy choice of law over the hard choice of love,

Forgive us. [Silence]

O God of mercy,

Hear our prayers. [Silence]

PASSING OF THE PEACE

RESPONSE

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

SCRIPTURE

John 21:15-19

SERMON

Finding Our Yes

RECEPTION OF NEW AND REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Cheri Archer

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

I do.

Who is your Lord and Savior?

Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love?

I will, with God's help.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN

God, We Praise you for the Women

Lyrics by Damon Charles Damon

(tune of "Come Thou Font of Every Blessing")

**God, we praise you for the women who have taught us to be strong,
who have held us, who have raised us with a prayer and with a song.
Sarah laughed to hear the promise--God would bless her with a son;
Sarah laughed and Sarah doubted till she saw what God had done.**

**Pharaoh's daughter, like a mother, lifted Moses from a pool,
brought him safely to the palace where a slave would go to school.
Mary watched the killing madness as her son died on the cross;
she who knew the joy of childbirth now was torn by bitter loss.**

**As her life drew on toward evening, after she had raised her own,
Lois held her baby grandson, told him of God's love made known.
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BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Postlude on 'Thaxted', from The Planets

Gustav Holst

Today's Worship Leaders:

Kim Skilling, Pastor

David Hughes, Director of Music, Carol Hughes, Accompanist,

Abbott Hatch & Richard Ramich, Video and Sound



Announcements