

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ANAHEIM



Anaheim First Presbyterian Church

July 17, 2022 @ 10:30 am

PRELUDE

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Beethoven, arr. Fred Bock

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT *"The Night is Calm and Cloudless"* The Golden Lullaby by Arthur Sullivan

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to worship the One who crafted creation out of chaos,
our cries of joy join the anthems of the universe.

We gather to lift our praise to the God who gives us voice,
we bring the songs which have echoed in our hearts all week long.

We gather as the children of God, our joy rooted in God's love.

young and old, tone deaf and perfect-pitched, we lift our voices to God in a new song of faith.

HYMN NO. 464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn to Joy

Joyful, joyful we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of Love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the gloom of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All Thy words with joy surround Thee, Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in Thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, if we fail to see the explosion of color around us, if we never stop to feel the sun on our faces, if we neglect to listen to the music of birds and the laughter of children, forgive us. Open our hearts to grace and truth that surrounds and fills the ordinary days of our lives. Fill us with joy and remind us how you made the common uncommon.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"I Will Sing Unto the Lord"

from Judith by C.H.H. Parry

PASSING THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE

Nehemiah 8:1-12

SERMON

Always in Season: Joy Full

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Based on the Message Translation of Gal 5:22-23, 25

We believe that when we live God's way, God brings gifts into our lives, much the same way that fruit appears in an orchard—things like affection for others, exuberance about life, serenity. We develop a willingness to stick with things, a sense of compassion in the heart, and a conviction that a basic holiness permeates things and people. We find ourselves involved in loyal commitments, not needing to force our way in life, able to marshal and direct our energies wisely. The life of the Spirit is more than just holding idea in our heads or a sentiment in our hearts, it is allowing the Spirit to be at work transforming every detail of our lives in service to the world and to the glory of God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional, Hymnal p. 16)

*HYMN NO 554

Let All Things Now Living

Ash Grove

Let all things now living, a song of thanksgiving to God our Creator triumphantly raise;
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, by guiding us on to the
end of our days. God's banners are o'er us, pure light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night. Till shadows have vanished,
all fearfulness banished, as forward we travel from light into Light.

By law God enforces the stars in their courses, the sun in its orbit obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.

We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing with glad adoration, a song let us raise;
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving, to God in the highest, hosanna and praise.

BENEDICTION *"Rejoice Greatly"*

from Messiah by G.F. Handel

CHORAL BENDECTION

POSTLUDE

'Postlude' in Classic Style

Gordon Young

Today's Worship Leaders:

Kim Skilling, Pastor

Soloist- Olivia Kellett

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

Abbott Hatch & Richard Ramich, Video and Sound



Announcements