



RAISING OUR SAILS TO CATCH THE SPIRIT

Anaheim First Presbyterian Church

October 9, 2022 @ 10:30 am

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT *Disturb Us, Lord*

William Lock

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Exodus 9:1, Amos 5:25, Micah 6:8, John 13:34)

From across the sands of the desert came the still small Voice.

Gentle Wind, Breath of God, Holy Spirit.

The Voice found home in the Prophets, “thus says the Lord.”

Let my people go. Let justice roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with God.

The Voice came among us in the flesh.

Just as I have loved you, so you should love one another.

As we worship today, the Voice grows within us

in our praying, in our singing, in our telling.

Speak, Lord, for we, your people, are listening.

***HYMN NO 429** (v. 1, 2, 5)

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

Abbot's Leigh

Lord, You give the great commission: “Heal the sick and preach the word.”

Lest the church neglect its mission and the gospel go unheard,

Help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity:

Refrain: With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service: “In my name baptize and teach.”

That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each,

Give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community: [Refrain]

Lord, you bless with words assuring: “I am with you to the end.”

Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend,

And, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity: [Refrain]

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, Lord of love: For not singing when we are joyful;

For not shouting to the world the good that you do; For not trusting the love that surrounds us; For not enacting the justice you call us to; For not believing the Good News is meant for all: Forgive us. Encourage us and change us, help us and inspire us, that we, as your body, may demonstrate your coming kingdom to the world.

ANTHEM *Love Divine all Loves Excelling*

arr Mark Hayes author, Charles Wesley

PASSING THE PEACE

RESPONSE Halle, Halle, Halleluja!

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

SCRIPTURE John 1:35-46

SERMON *Mission (Not) Impossible*

PRAYER OF ST BRENDAN, THE NAVIGATOR (Patron Saint of Sailors)

Help us to journey beyond the familiar and into the unknown.

Give us the faith to leave old ways and break fresh ground with You.

Christ of the mysteries, we trust You to be stronger than each storm within us.

We will trust in the darkness and know that our times, even now, are in Your hand.

Tune our spirit to the music of heaven, and somehow,

make our obedience count for You. AMEN.

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

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 432** *Canto de Esperanza/Song of Hope*

Argentina

(Please sing twice. Those with hymnals may sing in Spanish if they choose)

May the God of Hope go with us every day,

filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.

May the God of justice speed us on our way,

bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace, singing, sharing our joy with all,

Working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Today's Worship Leaders:

Kim Skilling, Pastor

David Hughes, Director of Music,

Ron Boatright, Substitute Accompanist

Abbott Hatch & Richard Ramich, Video and Sound



Announcements