



# A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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## PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**Grow in Grace, Live in Peace, Serve the Lord**

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## We Gather as God's People

### RINGING OF THE BELL

### WELCOME

This is the day the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

### PRELUDE

Sonata No 84 in D major

Padre Antonio Soler

### CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 100

Ann Barnhill, liturgist

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

**All: Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

One: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

**All: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.**

### HYMN

#### Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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 dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee; earth and heaven reflect thy rays;  
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife.  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty God, you have shown us the way of justice and nurtured us with love. Even so, we have not lived according to your will. When we are oppressed or unjustly accused, we cling to fear and forget to trust your deliverance. When we experience power and abuse the rights of others, we hold tight to our privilege and forget your commandments for equality and love. Have mercy on us, Lord, for we are weak and prone to disobedience. Hear our confession, and respond to us with kindness, that we might turn to you again, walk in the light and live in equality and peace. Hear now our silent individual confessions.

*(Silent Confession)*

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Because we belong to Jesus Christ, we need not fear – for he lived for us, he died for us, he was raised for us and prays for us. Believe the promises of your baptism: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and offered a new way of living.

SPECIAL MUSIC	Mazurka in B-flat, Op 7 No 1	Frédéric Chopin
SCRIPTURE READING	<b>Matthew 25: 14-30</b>	
SERMON	<b>“Enter the Joy”</b>	Dr. Elaine Vaden
A MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP		Ann Barnhill
ANTHEM	What If It Were Today Peggy Vaughan, Soprano	Leila Naylor Morris

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND OUR 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. Amen.*

## \*HYMN

### God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,  
nature’s wonder, Jesus’ wisdom, costly cross, grave’s shattered door:  
gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise;  
thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred:  
ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.  
Open wide your hands in sharing, as we heed Christ’s ageless call,  
healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

**WE GO FORTH AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

**BENEDICTION**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**May the Love of the Lord**

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**May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.**

**May God's love dwell in you, throughout every day.**

**May God's countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.**

**May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.**

**POSTLUDE**

Ode to Joy

Ludwig van Beethoven



**Worship Leadership** Ushers: 9:00 Ruth Hines, Joanne Lang 11:00 Margaret Cox, Kelly McLean, Joanne Lang  
Dr. Elaine Vaden, Preaching Ann Barnhill, Liturgist Ron Skinner, Audio & Video John Holter, piano  
Peggy Vaughan, Music Director and Soloist Joanne Lang, Worship Ministry Team Chair  
Gail Bosch, Church Administrator & Webpage

We welcome Dr. Elaine Vaden as our guest preacher. Elaine has been involved in global mission for much of her life. She has been a mission worker in Zambia, the Philippines, northern Iraq, and Lithuania for extended periods. She has taught intensive courses in mission in India, Nepal, Brazil, and Mexico. Elaine lived for 20 years in Los Angeles, a wonderful city where more than 75 languages are spoken. She has a Doctor of Missiology degree from Fuller Seminary and is an elder in the PCUSA. She enjoys cooking and Asian food.