



Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

July 29, 2018 | 8:30 + 11:00 am

We Gather in the Presence of the Triune God

Welcome + Announcements

Prelude | Jesus Loves Me! *setting by Jayne Southwick Cool*

*Call to Worship

Neighbors and newcomers, families and strangers,

we gather in this place built by God's steadfast love.

Strugglers and stragglers, pilgrims almost at the end of the journey,

each of us seeks to follow Jesus, the compassionate One.

Builders of bridges in fractured communities, those who stand on either side of walls of fear,

the Spirit of faithfulness calls us to live as one people—God's people!

***Gathering Hymn** | One People, Here, We Gather *red hymnal, #243*

We Seek Renewal in God's Presence

*Call to Reconciliation

Do we really want God to dwell within us, or are we only willing to 'rent out' space for a brief visit? Our actions, our words, our silence, our fears all show the presence, or absence, of God in our lives. Let us empty ourselves of all which burdens us and welcome the One who lives with us forever. Please join me as we pray,

Silence is kept

Hymns + Songs | *Lift Up Your Hearts* (red hymnal)

Bold Print | Speak or sing together in unison

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

*Unison Prayer of Forgiveness

Steadfast God, we confess that we are so busy putting up walls between ourselves and others, we cannot see the home you are building for all of us. We spend so much time noting the differences between us and others, while you are embracing everyone as your child. We run to welcome those who look, talk, and act like us, and you throw open your doors to the stranger, the alien, in our midst.

Forgive us, Faithful Heart. By your grace, help us to see the household you are building for all people: there are no plastic protectors on the furniture; there are no rooms that are off-limits; and even the smallest child is welcome to sit at the big people's table and be fed by your grace. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our peace, our hope, our Lord, our Savior.

*Assurance of Pardon

Do you remember? At one time, you were without Christ; you were the stranger, the outsider, and the alien. But now, in Christ, you have been brought home, living in God's household of hope and peace.

God's covenant with us is everlasting; God's steadfast love is forever; God's forgiveness makes us new and whole. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*The Peace | time of greeting

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The Word of the Lord

(All Scripture is being read from The Message by Eugene Peterson.)

Old Testament Lesson | 2 Kings 4:42-44 *Bible*, pg. 293

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Time for Young Disciples | Heather Woodin, Director of Children's and Family Ministry

Parents who would like to have their children (3 year old-Kindergarten) participate in Children's Time are welcome to accompany their children downstairs during the congregational hymn.

Congregational Hymn | Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer *red hymnal*, #660

Epistle Lesson | Ephesians 3:14-21 *Bible*, pg. 950

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Lesson | John 6:1-21 *Bible*, pg. 867

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message | A Come to Jesus Moment Rev. Mark Martin

Responding to the Word

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Prayer requests may be written on a prayer card and placed in the offering plate.

Offertory | You Are Mine by David Haas text can be found in *red hymnal*, #430

***Offertory Response** | Doxology *red hymnal*, #965

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People + The 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.

Sending

***Sending Hymn** | Jesus Heard with Deep Compassion *red hymnal*, #127

*Charge + Blessing

***Postlude** | Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing *setting by Greg Sheer*

You are invited to remain for the postlude. Soli Deo Gloria! Glory to God Alone!

If you desire a personal time of prayer, we're here to pray with you and for you. Please join a prayer partner at the Prayer Room at the back of the Sanctuary immediately following the worship service.

Today's Worship Participants

Rev. Mark Martin *pastor emeritus*

Laura Kastens, *piano*

Kristen DeGrazia, *soloist*

Jenny Pigge, *violin*

(8:30) Luke & Jack Reynolds; (11:00) Cade Benson, *worship leaders*



SAPC Give Now

Announcements

Welcome! We are happy to have you here with us today. If you would like more information about St. Andrew, please indicate your interest on the Connection Card. Join us for a time of fellowship and refreshments after the service. This is a wonderful way to meet the St. Andrew family.

All ages are welcomed in our worship services. Worship materials for children and adults, including large print hymnals, bibles, and bulletins are available on the shelves outside the north sanctuary doors. A T-Coil hearing assist loop is also available for those with this feature on their hearing aids.

If needed, **infant and toddler care** (up to age 2) is provided downstairs in the Nursery. Children's Time, for ages 3 years through Kindergarten, is also downstairs.

Prayer Requests may be written on a blue Prayer Request Card and placed in the offering plate.

QR Coding for Giving: The QR code in the Sunday bulletin is an electronic code that links to the giving page on our church website. In worship, we respond to God's love with our offering. We hope that people who like technology will use these prompts to connect their gifts to our worship.

Connection Cards are one way we can extend welcome and hospitality to our guests while also helping us consider steps we can take in the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ. We ask each person to fill out the card and place it in the offering plate. Members, once your contact information is correct, you only need to write your name.

As my next step I will...

- ◇ Intentionally open my eyes, ears, and heart to the ways God is trying to move me beyond my preconceptions to an understanding of my world based on Jesus' example and teaching.
- ◇ Commit myself to participating in congregational activities intended to help St. Andrew discern how God is calling us to shape our future as a church.
- ◇ Set aside time to pray for this congregation and its leadership on a regular basis.
- ◇ Think about and write down skills, experiences, and insights I have that I am willing to share in the life of the congregation when they are needed.

- The **flowers** this morning are given by Bob and Rosemary Jeffress for their many blessings.
- The **flowers in the Atrium** are in celebration of Annie Potter's birthday!
- **Thank you, Kristen!** There will be a reception for Kristen DeGrazia today between worship services to give us an opportunity to celebrate and thank Kristen for all she has done for St. Andrew.
- **The Halversons will be taking photos for the church InDirectory on August 5** between worship services in the Multi-Purpose Room (MPR). No appointment is necessary, just show up and smile! Newly elected church officers are encouraged to get their photo taken. Thank you!
- **Tomorrow, July 30, is Monday/Funday.** Junior High youth will be going to the drive-in movie in Blue Grass. Meet at the church at 6:00 pm.
- **A memorial service for Karen Wieting** will be held Thursday, August 2 at 11:00 am here at the church. A reception will follow.

