



Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 9, 2018 | 8:30 + 11:00 am

We Gather in the Presence of the Triune God

Gathering Music | The Gospel Truth *by* Wycliffe Gordon

Welcome + Announcements

Prelude | Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying *by* Ken Medema

***Call to Worship** | based on Psalm 98

Sing a new song to the Lord, who has worked wonders, whose right hand and holy arm have brought salvation.
The Lord has made known salvation; has shown justice to the nations; has remembered truth and love for the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, sing out your joy.

***Gathering Hymn** | Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying *red hymnal, #896*

Congregation sings on the chorus (in the hymnal) and on the echoes in the verses below.

Verse 1:

Something's gonna happen
Like the world has never known

**When the people of the Lord
Get down to pray.**

A door's gonna swing open,
And the walls come a tumblin' down,

**When the people of the Lord
Get down to pray.**

Chorus

Verse 2:

He's gonna take over,
He's gonna take control,
**When the people of the Lord
Get down to pray.**

He's gonna move the mountains,
Make the waters roll,

**When the people of the Lord
Get down to pray.**

Chorus

Verse 3:

You're gonna know it
When the Lord stretches out His
hand,

**When the people of the Lord
Get down to pray.**

There's gonna be a brand new song
Of victory in this land,

**When the people of the Lord
Get down to pray.**

Chorus

We Seek Renewal in God's Presence

***Call to Confession**

God's Word assures us: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God, first silently and then together.

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

Bold Print | Speak or sing together in unison

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask for your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.

In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin, Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Assurance

Through Jesus Christ forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

Amen.

*The Peace | time of greeting

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The Word of the Lord

Old Testament Lesson | Isaiah 35:1-10 *Bible*, pg. 578

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

Epistle Lesson: James 2:5-8 *Bible*, pg. 981

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 | Ten Thousand Reasons *red hymnal*, #559

Gospel Lesson | Mark 7:24-37 *Bible*, pg. 819

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

Message | Divine Openings Rev. Kyle Otterbein

Responding to the Word

(8:30) **Sacrament of Baptism** | The Apostles' Creed *red hymnal*, #783b

Clara Katherine Domke, parents are Ethan Brock Domke and Mindy Joanna Olson

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

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

Offertory | His Eye Is On the Sparrow *by* Charles H. Gabriel

***Offertory Response** | His Eye Is On the Sparrow *red hymnal*, #441 (chorus only)

I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free;

For his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.



SAPC Give Now

***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** | I'm So Glad *red hymnal, #362*

***Charge + Blessing**

***Postlude** | The Preacher *by Horace Silver*

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

- Aaron Shileny, *trumpet*
- Dave Duys, *bass*
- Ellen Anne Yanik, *vocals*
- Jeff Charis-Carlson, *piano*
- Jeremy Penn, *trombone*
- Lee Rabe, *trombone*
- Steve Junge, *drums*
- Tim Patrick, *alto sax*
- Tom Larsen, *tenor sax*
- Wes Habley, *baritone sax*
- (8:30) Patti Benson; (11:00) Allison Bernard, *worship leaders*

Leadership

- Interim Senior Pastor Rev. Dr. Danie deBeer
- Associate Pastor Rev. Kyle Otterbein
- Pastor Emeritus..... Rev. Mark Martin
- Music Director Matthew Penning
- Assistant Director of Instrumental Ministries Lee Rabe
- Assistant Director of Children's Vocal Ministries Nelda Wittig
- Assistant Director of Handbell Ministries Laura Kastens
- Children's & Family Ministry Director Heather Woodin
- Youth Ministries Director Randy Hausler
- Finance Administrator John Benson
- Office & Communications Administrator Sarah Dyck

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.

Prayer: 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.

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.

This week, I will...

- ◇ Memorize Isaiah 35:10 and recite it each morning and evening this week.
- ◇ Identify one possible "opening" that the Spirit of Christ may be wanting to enter in my life and take one step to "tend" to this opening.
- ◇ Pray for God's Spirit to open my eyes to potential "openings" in my life where God is seeking to act.
- ◇ Talk with my household/friends about my plans for discipleship this fall.

- The **flowers** are given by the St. Andrew Deacons in appreciation for the service of the outgoing Deacon Class: Beth Dowd, Dennis Aubrecht, Gatwech Miak, Laura Kastens, and Karen Wieting.
- The **Open House for Christian Education** will be held today at 9:45 am. **Classes for all ages** will begin on September 16 at 9:45.
- There will be a **Women's Retreat planning meeting** today at 12:15 pm in Room 128. Women of all ages are invited to the meeting. We want your feedback on a theme, possible activities, music focus, and more.
- **Lunch with the Leaders** will be held today at noon in the Atrium.
- **Lettuce Feed Others** is looking for **wide-mouth pint jars** (Ball canning type) for our St. Andrew salsa. We can use the metal ring that holds the lid, too, but not the lids themselves. Please leave them on the Missions counter in the Atrium.
- Hey families! Our mid-week program for kids in kindergarten through 6th grade, ***spark***, **begins Thursday, September 13** at 4:00 pm and ends at 6:30 pm. Your entire family is invited to come and kick-off the new year!

