



17th Sunday of Ordinary Time
9:30 a.m. | July 30, 2023
St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Iowa City

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Thought for Reflection

“Sociologists have a theory of the looking-glass self: you become what the most important person in your life (wife, father, boss, etc.) thinks you are. How would my life change if I truly believed the Bible’s astounding words about God’s love for me, if I looked in the mirror and saw what God sees?” — **Philip Yancey**

Welcome + Announcements

Prelude | *Children of the Heavenly Father*, arr. Cathy Moglebust

✠ **Call to Gather** | *adapted from a liturgy by Jo Wiersema*

Give thanks to the Lord; call on his name;

make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

✠ **Gathering Hymn** | “Gather Us In,” pgs. 6-7 (*hymnal*, #529)

✠ **Prayer of Confession and Promise of Ever-Present Grace** | *adapted from a liturgy by Jo Wiersema*

The kingdom of heaven is for all of us,
but we come to this space full of our own burdens.
Let us confess our sins before our Triune God.

**Holy God, we try to keep you close to us,
but in the process, we push our neighbors away.
We have been distracted in a distracting world
And withheld love from each other and from you.
Have mercy on us, O God.
In your compassion, cleanse and release us from our sin.
Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.**

Hymns + Songs | Pages are listed for the printed bulletin

Numbers (#) are listed for music in the *Lift Up Your Hearts* (red) hymnal

Bold Print | Speak or sing together in unison.

✠ Please rise in body or in spirit.

Time for Silent Confession

Who is to condemn?

It is Christ who died and who was raised,
who is at the right hand of God, who intercedes for us.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

✠ **Musical Response** | “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me,” pg. 5

***1 Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

***2 World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

✠ **Sharing of Christ’s Peace & Compassion**

And now, as a visible sign
of what it means to live together
in the care and context
of Christ’s community,
let us extend Christ’s
peace and compassion
to those around us!

The peace of Christ be with you all!
And also with you!

Gospel Reading | Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Time for Young Disciples | Emily Neddermeyer ✠

✠ **Hymn** | “Be Thou My Vision,” pg. 8 (*hymnal*, #859)

Second Reading | Romans 8:26-39

✠ Following the *Time for Young Disciples*, Kindergartners and younger children are welcome to join activities in the Lower Level Children’s Area.

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

The Message | Rev. Kyle Otterbein



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Worship in Tithes and Offerings

Offertory | *The Faithful Shepherd*, by Carl Wiltse

✠ **Response to Our Offerings** | “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.***

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 Hymn** | “God of Grace and God of Glory,” pg. 9

✠ **Benediction**

Postlude | *God of Grace and God of Glory*, arr. By Paul Manz

Today’s Worship Participants

Rev. Kyle Otterbein, *pastor*

Patti Benson, *worship leader*

Austen Wilson, *director of music ministries*

Summer Handbells | Laura Kastens, *assistant director of handbell ministries*

Abby Chen, *organist & accompanist*


Vocalists | Wes Habley, Angela Ibrahim-Olin, Ama Mothershed, Rob Mullins, and Nelda Wittig

The Flowers on the Chancel are given by Karen Raynor, in loving memory of her husband Troy, who would celebrate his 80th birthday on Aug. 1.

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Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B \flat F B \flat F B \flat F Gm F




1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, ♪ with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F B \flat E \flat B \flat Gm7 C7




and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, ♪ with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm



and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, ♪ with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F



As it was in the be - gin-ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

Gather Us In

Unison D A C G Gm Dm

1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark-ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-tery, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,

van-ish-ed a-way; see in this space our fears and our
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through-out all of
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your
 light years a-way— here in this place the new light is

dream-ings brought here to you in the light of this day.
 his-tory, called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 daugh-ters, call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
 shin-ing, now is the king-dom, and now is the day.

Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en,
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty,
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion,
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er,

Chords: D, A, C, G, Gm, Dm, Bb/D, D, A, C, D, G, A

C D G A

gath - er us in, the blind and the lame;
 gath - er us in, the proud and the strong;
 give us to eat the bread that is you;
 gath - er us in and make us your own;

D A C G Gm

call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en, we shall a -
 give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly, give us the
 nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion lives that are
 gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er, fire ____ of

Dm C D C/D B^b/D D

rise at the sound of our name.
 cour-age to en - ter the song.
 ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 love in our flesh and our bone.

Be Thou My Vision

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's sun!

thou my best thought, — by day or by night;
 Thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be,
 thou and thou on - ly first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 thou in me dwell - ing and I one with thee.
 high King of heav - en, my treas - ure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Words: Irish hymn, 8th c.; tr. Mary E. Byrne (1880-19331); vers. Eleanor H. Hull (1860-1935), P.D.
 Music (SLANE 10.10.10): Irish melody; arr. Jack Schrader (b. 1942) © 1989 Hope Publishing Company

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1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in
 we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our

bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widely-known and influential pastor, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.

Questions about Worship @ St. Andrew?

- **Welcome!** We are happy to have you join us today. If you would like more information about St. Andrew, please email office@saintandrew-ic.org or visit <https://bit.ly/sapc-connection>.
- Our worship services begin **in-person and online at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings**, followed by Sunday School and Adult Christian Education offerings from September to April and a variety of After Worship activities from May to August. *The service usually begins with Welcome & Announcements a few minutes before 9:30 a.m.*
- All ages are welcome in our worship services. Worship materials for all ages are available in **The Maker's Toolbox** outside the north entrance to the Sanctuary.
- **Nursery care** (up to age 2) is provided in the Lower Level throughout the morning. Programming for children (through Kindergarten age) begins in the Lower Level after the **Time for Young Disciples** on most Sundays and after the **Sharing of Christ's Peace and Compassion** on Communion Sundays.
- Large print hymnals, bibles, and bulletins also are available outside the Sanctuary doors.
- A T-Coil hearing assist loop is also available for those with this feature on their hearing aids.
- **Prayer Requests** may be written on a blue **Prayer Request Card** and placed in the offering plates as they are passed.
- Unless otherwise designated, gifts given to the weekly **offering**—either in the offering plates or through our website—support the annual church budget, including staff salaries, utilities, mission outreach, and all aspects of ministry at St. Andrew.
- You can find a copy of this bulletin on our church website and app: <https://bit.ly/sapc-bulletins>.



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Upcoming in Worship @ St. Andrew

Today:

- **Sermon:** Pastor Kyle Otterbein
- **Music:** Handbells
- **After Worship:** Coffee & Conversation

Aug 6:

- **Sermon:** Pastor Kyle Otterbein
- **After Worship:** Hymn (Madness) Sing

Aug 13:

- **Sermon:** Pastor Kyle Otterbein
- **After Worship:** Coffee & Conversation

Aug 20:

- **Sermon:** Pastor Kyle Otterbein
- **After Worship:** School Year Eve

Aug 27:

- **Prompting:** Pastor Rob Martin
- **After Worship:** All Abilities Art Exhibition & Reception

Sept. 3:

- **Prompting:** Pastor Rob Martin
- **After Worship:** Coffee & Conversation

Sept. 10:

- **Prompting:** Pastor Rob Martin
- **After Worship:** Sunday School Field Day & Ministry Fair

Sept. 17:

- **Prompting:** Pastor Rob Martin
- **After Worship:**
 - Coffee with Leaders
 - Sunday School
 - **Adult Ed:** “Eco-Choices: A Christian Ethical Response to Climate Change,” with Robert Traer (The Hub)