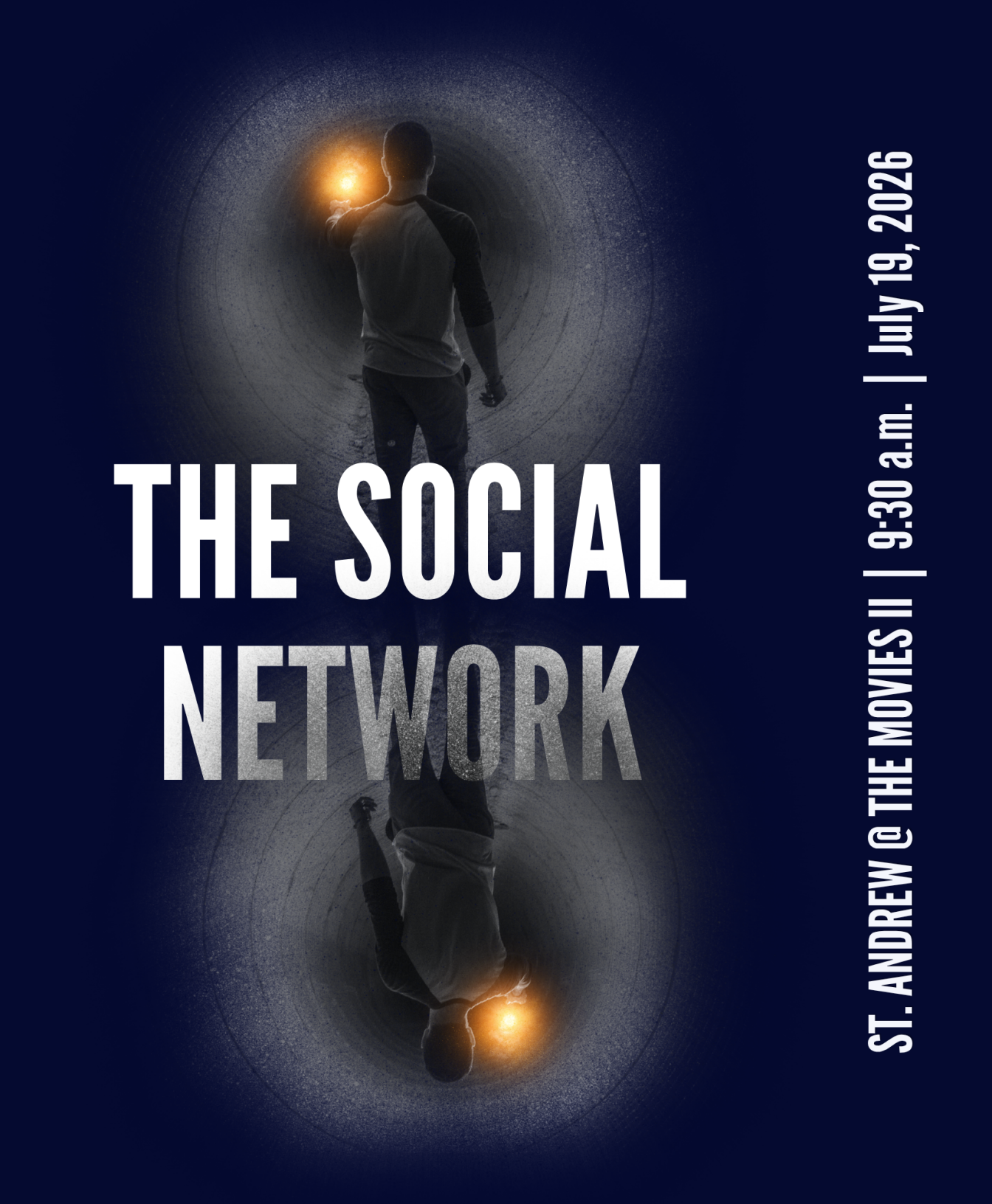




THE SOCIAL NETWORK

ST. ANDREW @ THE MOVIES II | 9:30 a.m. | July 19, 2026

Today's Worship Participants

The Rev. Jordan Warntjes, *pastor*

Matt Moore, *message*

Pat, Paul, Jeremy, and Eleanor Penn, *vocalists*

Julia Van Den Top, *organist and accompanist*

Wendy Lindberg, *time for young disciples*



Bulletin Cover & Sermon Series

- This week's bulletin cover, a digital image by Matt Moore, draws inspiration from *The Social Network*, the second film in our **St. Andrew @ the Movies** sermon series. The image highlights one of the film's central tensions: We've never had more ways to connect. So why can connection still feel so lonely?
- With echoes of Leviticus 25 and Acts 2, we consider the communities and economies we build, who benefits from them, and whether being connected is the same as belonging to one another.
- After all, a social network is one thing. A community is something else.
- The films in the series include:
 - July 12: *Wake Up, Dead Man* (Pastor Jordan Warntjes)
 - **Today: *The Social Network* (Matt Moore)**
 - July 26: *Project Hail Mary* (Pastor Jordan Warntjes)
 - Aug. 2: *CODA* (Pastor Jordan Warntjes)
 - Aug. 9: *Toy Story 5* (Pastor Colette Soultz)
 - Aug. 16: *We Bought a Zoo* (Pastor Jordan Warntjes)
 - Aug. 23: *Barbie* (Pastor Jordan Warntjes)



Finish the Race
Owe Nothing But Love

Flowers on the Chancel

- Today's flowers were provided by Deb and Rich Wretman: "Celebrating Pastor Jordan's installation and welcoming Michelle into the St. Andrew family."



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.



St. Andrew @ the Movies 2

9:30 a.m. | July 19, 2026

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church | Iowa City, Iowa

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude | *Shall We Gather at the River*, by Robert A. Hobby

✠ **Call to Gather** | *by Matt Moore*

As the sun rises and sets, we mark the passage of time.

The world turns, the years go by, and life goes on.

**God calls us out of our routines, shakes up our norms,
and breaks through our scheduled lives to show us new ways of being.**

Teach us a new song, O God.

Sound a loud trumpet to wake us from our slumber.

Call us into mercy and justice for all people.

When we sing, may we sing with a joyful noise.

When we shout, let us proclaim hope.

When we act, guide us toward restoration.

✠ **Gathering Hymn** | “Shall We Gather by the River?”, pg. 6

✠ **Call to Confession & Promise of Ever Present Grace** | *by Matt Moore*

God of Jubilee and God of Atonement, nothing is beneath your notice and your care.

You watch over the earth with eyes that capture every detail.

You see our comings and goings, our rising and our sleeping.

You observe the ways we build civilizations and conduct business.

You know our minds tend toward self-interest

and our hearts long for meeting our own needs.

So often we denounce self-interest in others,

but fail to recognize it in ourselves.

Forgive us when we hoard possessions, resources, money, and time.

Change our hearts so that we break bread with open hands

and share all that we have with others.

Help us to recognize we are only caretakers,

not owners of what we have been given.

Time for silent reflection

Friends, hear the good news: God does not leave us to our own devices.
Instead, God knows us and accepts us, the good and the bad.

**God doesn't abandon us when we ignore others and put ourselves first.
Instead, God sets out new ways to live and models what love looks like.
Thanks be to God who abundantly, freely, and extravagantly shares love.**

✠ **Musical Response** | "Blessed Assurance," vs. 1

**1 Blessed assurance: Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**

***This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.***

✠ **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!**

Old Testament Reading | Leviticus 25:8-17

The word of the prophets for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Time for Young Disciples †

New Testament Reading | Acts 2:43-47

The word of the prophets for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

The Message | What Happens When We Monetize Community? | Matt Moore

† After the Time for Young Disciples, children in Kindergarten and younger are invited to head to the Lower Level Children's Area for children's programming.

✠ **Hymn of Response** | “Live into Hope,” pg. 7

Offering Our Time, Talents, and Treasure

Offertory | *Amazing Grace*, arr. Jay Althouse

Response to Our Offering | “O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!”, v. 5

5 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
your mercies, how tender, how firm to be the end,
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

Commissioning to Synod School

Prayers of the People

Joys & Concerns

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** | “For the Fruit of All Creation,” pg. 8

✠ **Benediction**

Postlude | *Toccata in Seven*, by John Rutter

You are invited to remain seated through the postlude, allowing this final offering to complete our worship.

375 Shall We Gather at the River

1 Shall we gath-er at the riv-er, where bright an-gel feet have trod,
 2 On the mar-gin of the riv-er, wash-ing up its sil-ver spray,
 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv-er, lay we ev-ery bur-den down;
 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv-er; soon our pil-grim-age will cease;

with its crys-tal tide for-ev-er flow-ing by the throne of God?
 we will walk and wor-ship ev-er, all the hap-py gold-en day.
 grace our spir-its will de-liv-er, and pro-vide a robe and crown.
 soon our hap-py hearts will quiv-er with the mel-o-dy of peace.

Refrain

Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv-er;

gath-er with the saints at the riv-er that flows by the throne of God.

A Baptist pastor wrote this hymn while seated at his parlor organ. Created as an alternative to gloomy "river of death" hymns, it is a celebration of the "pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb" (Revelation 22:1 KJV).

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Live into Hope

1 Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed, of sight re -
 2 Live in - to hope! The blind shall see with in - sight
 3 Live in - to hope of lib - er - ty, the right to
 4 Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed from chains of

gained, the end of greed. The op - pressed shall be the
 and with clar - i - ty, re - mov - ing shades of
 speak, the right to be, the right to have one's
 fear or want or greed. God now pro - claims our

first to see the year of God's own ju - bi - lee!
 pride and fear, a vi - sion of our God brought near.
 dai - ly bread, to hear God's word and thus be fed.
 full re - lease to faith and hope and joy and peace.

This text on Luke 4:16–20, the author's first, was written for the United Presbyterian Women's National Meeting in July 1976 because the team planning worship could not find a suitable hymn on that passage. She wrote the words with this vigorous 18th-century tune in mind.

For the Fruit of All Creation

F B $\flat$ Gm C B $\flat$ 2 C7 F

1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.

B $\flat$ Gm C B $\flat$ 2 C7 F

For his gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.

B $\flat$ Gm7

For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and des - pair - ing,
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,

F B $\flat$ Gm C B $\flat$ 2 C7 F

fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
 most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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Upcoming Events

- **Next Steps** | Today
- **Food Market** | Wednesday
- **Guatemala Mission Trip** | Saturday - Aug. 1
- **Synod School** | Next Sunday - July 31
- **Free Lunch** | Aug. 5
- **At the Table** | Aug. 6
- **Big Table** | Aug. 7
- **Girls Rock!** | Aug. 10-14
- **Fields of Faith Harvest** | Aug. 15
- **Senior Moments** | Aug. 18
- **School Year's Eve** | Aug. 23
- **Food Market** | Aug. 26
- **Ministry Fair** | Aug. 30
- **Food Ministry Gathering** | Sept. 1
- **Free Lunch** | Sept. 2
- **At the Table** | Sept. 3
- **Big Table** | Sept. 4
- **Office Closed (Labor Day)** | Sept. 7
- **Sunday School Kickoff** | Sept. 13
- **Celebrating All Abilities Sunday** | Sept. 13
- **At the Table** | Oct. 1
- **Big Table** | Oct. 2
- **World Communion Sunday** | Oct. 4
- **Free Lunch** | Oct. 7
- **Fields of Faith Harvest** | Oct. 10
- **Senior Moments** | Oct. 20
- **Trunk or Treat** | Oct. 25
- **Food Market** | Oct. 28
- **All Saints Sunday** | Nov. 1
- **Free Lunch** | Nov. 4
- **At the Table** | Nov. 5
- **Craft Fair & Minds Matter** | Nov. 7



Questions about Worship?

- **Welcome!** Whether you are joining us in person or online, we are *delighted* to worship together.
- St. Andrew is an open, affirming, and inclusive congregation. That means we welcome saints and sinners, skeptics and believers, families of *all* shapes and sizes, and people from every point along life's journey. So, whoever you are this morning, whatever you believe — whether you believe anything at all: *You are welcome here!*
- If you are here for the first time, we encourage you to stop by our Welcome Table or Information Kiosk near the main entrance in the Atrium. There you will find some good people who would love to answer any questions you might have about our faith community.
- If you can't stop at the Info Kiosk today, you can learn more about St. Andrew by emailing office@saintandrew-ic.org or filling out this short form: <https://tinyurl.com/sapc-guest>.
- 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.
- **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**.
- Unless otherwise designated, gifts given to the **weekly offering** support the church budget, including staff salaries, utilities, mission outreach, and all aspects of ministry.
- To log into the **St. Andrew Connect** system, either download the **St. Andrew App** through the **App Store/Google Play** or visit <https://saintandrew.ccbchurch.com>.
- There are wheelchairs available for use as needed in the lower level entrance foyer and by the coat racks near the upper level entrance.
- There is an AED near the Coffee Kitchen should a medical emergency arise.
- Permission to livestream the music in this service is from CCLI (#617801) and One License (A-711114).

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PERSEVERING *toward* WHOLENESS

The 227th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, addressed constitutional governance, racial justice, gender justice, denominational finances and the direction of the church, laying groundwork for work continuing through the next assembly.

Co-moderators elected, GA228 to be held in Puerto Rico

Commissioners elected the **Rev. Marta Pumroy-Cordero**, border ministry coordinator for the Tres Rios Border Foundation in Tres Rios Presbytery, and the **Rev. Dr. Kristopher D. Schondelmeyer**, pastor and head of staff at First Presbyterian Church in Davenport, Iowa, as co-moderators. They will preside at GA228, June 11-22, 2028, in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Commissioners also **approved full, in-person assemblies**, including an exhibit hall, beginning in 2030.

Budget and per capita

Commissioners approved a **balanced \$188.4 million unified budget** for Presbyterian Life & Witness (PL &W) and the A Corporation for the 2027–2028 biennium, about \$5.8 million more than the previous budget: \$90.45 million for 2027 and \$97.92 million for 2028. Per capita rates were set at \$13.04 in 2027 and \$12.72 in 2028.

General Assembly Relationships

The GAR Committee approved the new Organization for Mission, the structure for the General Assembly as the denomination's highest council, and **established PL&W** and its governing board.

Israel/Palestine

Commissioners approved RIW-04, declaring that the **Israeli government has violated international law** prohibiting genocide in its war in Gaza. As amended, RIW-04 directs the denomination's Office of Public

Witness to advocate against U.S. military sales to Israel and purchases from Israel. It also encourages members to avoid products from Israeli companies linked to violations of international law.

Constitutional interpretation, missiology, and mission co-worker dismissals

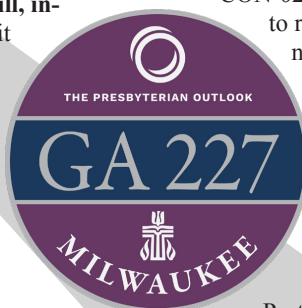
Following testimony on staff dismissals during **World Mission's closure**, the assembly approved CON-02, directing PL&W and the A Corporation to revise employment policies to prohibit nondisclosure covenants for employees, with a report due to the 2028 assembly. RIW-01 calls for review of the processes that terminated mission co-worker positions and World Mission. RIW-02 directs the development of a new missiological statement for global engagement.

Pastors will now be required to complete **boundary and abuse-prevention training** at least every three years. An overture to remove the Board of Pensions' medical coverage requirements was rejected.

Commissioners referred CON-10, which seeks an authoritative interpretation of monogamy, for discussion within the theological framework proposed in GEN-09, "Beyond Changing Families."

Gender and Sexuality Justice

The Constitutional Interpretation Committee **rejected a call for a special study of the Olympia Overture amendments**, citing related proposals GEN-06 and GEN-09. GEN-06 directs the development



of a mechanism that would allow congregations to indicate their openness and readiness to call an LGBTQIA+ candidate on their Ministry Discernment Profiles. Candidates would be allowed to view congregational responses. GEN-09, “Beyond Changing Families: Flourishing Relationships and Belonging,” seeks a theological framework and a study guide on human sexuality and gender that reflect the PC(USA)’s commitment to full inclusion.

The assembly reaffirmed support for **access to medically necessary gender-affirming healthcare** and approved development of a survey collecting non-identifying information about sexual misconduct in church settings.

Climate and Environmental Justice

The Climate Justice Committee approved CLJ-02, “Changing Course for a Green Future,” **directing divestment from more than 50 companies** by 2030 and barring new investments in them. All CLJ items were placed on the consent agenda, including a call for education on regenerative farming and prioritizing responses to the climate crisis.

White Christian nationalism

Commissioners voted overwhelmingly to declare White Christian nationalism and similar ideologies “**a theological error**” incompatible with the teachings of Jesus Christ; language changes in the *Book of Order* require presbytery ratification. Commissioners rejected an amendment that would have removed references to White Christian nationalism from the Special Committee on the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and Race report.

Racial justice

The Racial Justice Committee advanced several recommendations **strengthening the denomination’s**

anti-racism work, including RAC-04, “The Report from the Special Committee on the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) on Race,” directing “PL&W to create a tracking system that displays the progress/ completion of all GA business... related to race, racism, and White supremacy ...”

RAC-01 calls for PC(USA) entities to report to the 228th GA on implementation of RGJ-13, the 2022 Report from the Disparities Experienced by Black Women and Girls Task Force. RAC-03, the “Resolution on Liberia Project 180,” explores establishing theological learning and repair, and developing **acknowledgment and apology for Presbyterian involvement** in and support of the American Colonization Society and its lasting effects on Indigenous Liberians.

Ordered ministry

The Theological Education and Ordination Committee approved changes **modernizing preparation for ministry** while preserving Presbyterian ordination standards. ORD-02 clarifies that ministry preparation in G-2.06 and G-2.07 of the *Book of Order* applies to those training for the ministry of Word and Sacrament; it requires a two-thirds presbytery vote. ORD-03, addressing collaborative ministry teams, was approved; ORD-04, seeking removal of the time-of-service requirement for ruling elders in mid council roles, was not.

A new confession

A newly appointed special committee will continue **considering a new confession**. The draft seeks to articulate Christian faith in response to contemporary challenges including racism, economic inequality, environmental degradation, violence and political polarization.

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