



ST. ANDREW @ THE MOVIES III

9:30 A.M. | JULY 26, 2026

Today's Worship Participants

The Rev. Jordan Warntjes, *pastor*

Christopher Stephens, *worship leader*

Taylor Dengler, Becka Simpson, and Austen Wilson, *vocalists*

Julia Van Den Top, *organist and accompanist*

Wendy Lindberg, *time for young disciples*



Bulletin Cover & Sermon Series

- This week's bulletin cover, a painting by Lucy Charis-Carlson, draws inspiration from one of the most recognizable album covers of all time: *Let It Be*, by The Beatles. The original features photos of the band's four members in equal frames, capturing them at the close of both an album and an era.
- Lucy reimagines that iconic composition with four very different faces: **Ryland Grace, Rocky, Eva Stratt, and the Sun.** Together they tell the story of *Project Hail Mary* without a spaceship in sight. Rather than celebrating a lone hero, the painting reminds us that the future is shaped through relationships. As Paul McCartney and John Lennon sing in a song featured in the film: "Two of us wearing raincoats / standing solo in the sun. / You and me chasing paper / getting nowhere on our way back home."
- The image reminds us how the gospel isn't that one remarkable person can save the world. The good news is that Christ gathers ordinary people into an extraordinary community where grace is multiplied, burdens are shared, and hope becomes contagious.
- Upcoming films in the **St. Andrew @ the Movies** series include:
 - **Today: *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



STEWARDSHIP 2026

Flowers on the Chancel

- Today's flowers are given by Dedi Walker in celebration of Bruce's birthday on July 18.



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9:30 a.m. | July 26, 2026

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church | Iowa City, Iowa

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude | *God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens*, arr. by Wilbur Held

✠ **Call to Gather** | *by Jordan Warntjes*

In *Project Hail Mary*, two astronauts find themselves stranded in the silence of deep space.

They come from entirely different planets.

One communicates with spoken words and vision,
the other through beautiful, echoing musical chords.

They cannot even breathe the same air.

By all logical metrics, they have nothing in common.

But they quickly realize a terrifying truth:

If they stay isolated in their differences, they will both die.

Their only hope is to form an unlikely body ...

using the human's sight and the spider-like alien's engineering
to solve what neither could solve alone.

Look around this room.

We come from different walks of life, carrying different histories, speaking with different voices.

Yet the Spirit calls us together into one body.

Some of us see the world through logic and reason;

some feel the world through deep emotion and grace.

Some are built to serve quietly; others are gifted to speak boldly.

No one part can say to the other, "I have no need of you."

In a universe that often feels isolated and vast, God has bound us together in a holy partnership.

We are the body of Christ.

Diverse in our gifts, united in our purpose.

One body worshipping God together.

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.

✠ **Gathering Hymn** | “Blest Be the Tie that Bind,” pg. 7

✠ **Call to Confession & Promise of Ever Present Grace** | *by Jordan Warntjes*

Gracious God, you created a cosmos of breathtaking diversity,
yet we confess that difference often terrifies us.
Forgive us for the walls we build to keep others at arm's length.
We confess that we favor the parts of the body that look like us, talk like us, and agree with us.
We treat your diverse creation as a threat rather than a gift.
Forgive us for our spiritual arrogance,
for believing we can function without the strengths of our neighbors.
When others suffer, we often look away, choosing our own comfort over the shared pain of the body.
When others celebrate, we allow envy to quiet our joy.
Heal our fractures, Holy Spirit.
Forgive our impatience with one another.
Grant us the humility to listen across our divides,
to see your image in unfamiliar faces, and to learn the art of radical dependence.

Time for silent confession

Hear the good news that echoes across the vastness of the cosmos:
God does not look at our fractures and abandon the project.
The cross of Jesus Christ is the place where every dividing wall is systematically torn down.
In Christ, our isolation has ended. We are forgiven, restored, and made new.
You are not stranded in the deep silence of your mistakes.
The Holy Spirit has bound you to a family that will not let you go.
If you are weak, the body will carry you. If you are rejoicing, the body will sing with you.
You belong to God, and you belong to one another.
By the grace of God, we are knit together.
The old script is gone; the new creation has come.
Thanks be to God!

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!**

Time for Young Disciples †

Epistle Reading | 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 (NRSVUE)

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

The Message | "Project Hail Mary"

✠ Hymn of Response | "We Are Part of Christ's Own Body," pg. 8

Offering Our Time, Talents, and Treasure

Offertory | *I Dream of a World*, by Mark Miller

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.

Installation of Church Officers

ELDERS | Install: Chloe Goers (2027), Margaret Heidger (2029), and Josh Schilling (2029);

Ordain & Install: John Linder (2029), Jessica Steele (2029), and Adam Wolf (2029).

DEACONS | Install: LuAnn Robinson (2029), Jamie Tanas (2029), Mettie Thomopulos (2029), and David Weitzel (2029); **Ordain & Install:** Eli Benson (2027) and Jean Barth (2029).

† 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.

Questions to the Congregation

- Do we, the members of the church, accept the people named above as ruling elders or deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus, the Christ?
- Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus, the Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?

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** | "O God, In Your Love," pg. 9 | *to the tune of "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"*

✠ **Benediction**

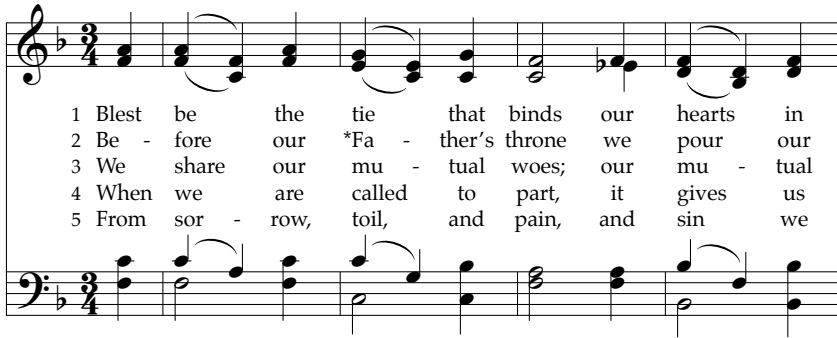
Postlude |

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

Upcoming Events

- **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
- **Senior Moments** | Sept. 15
- **Food Market** | Sept. 23
- **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

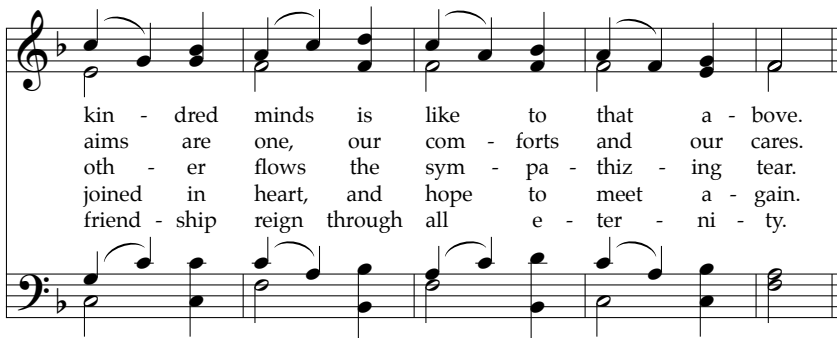
Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306



1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
 2 Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne we pour our
 3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual
 4 When we are called to part, it gives us
 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we



Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of
 ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our
 bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be
 shall be free; and per - fect love and



kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.
 friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

*Or "Maker's"

Written to express a pastor's unwillingness to leave a beloved congregation, this hymn is frequently used as an expression of Christian fellowship, especially at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper. The tune is attributed to an influential Swiss musician and publisher.

TEXT: John Fawcett, 1782
 MUSIC: Johann Georg Nägeli, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1845

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WE ARE PART OF CHRIST'S OWN BODY

David Bjorlin

HOLY MANNA
William Moore, fl.1830



1. We are part of Christ's own bod - y
2. But when dif - f'rence is ex - clud - ed—
3. We are part of Christ's own bod - y,



work - ing toward a sin - gle goal, each of us es -
age, a - bil - i - ty, or race— our mo - sa - ics
each u - nique in gift and call, yet a - like in



sen - tial mem - bers in the beaut - y of the whole.
turn to mir - rors that re - flect a sin - gle face.
com - mon mis - sion for the flour - ish - ing of all.



As we need each var - ied fea - ture for the bod - y
So we wid - en deep di - vi - sions we were called to
Give us faith, O God of wel - come, not to fear what



to sur - vive so the church must cher - ish
bridge and heal, and we miss the truth and
you em - brace, but to cel - e - brate each



dif - f'rence for our work to grow and thrive.
wis - dom on - ly dif - f'rence can re - veal.
dif - f'rence as an im - age of your grace.

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O God, In Your Love

ST. DENIO 11.11.11.11 ("Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise")

1 O God, in your love, you have made us unique:
In gifts and traditions, in service we seek,
In race and in culture and family design
Diverse are the branches in Jesus the Vine.

2 Lord Jesus, you came to bring God's love on earth;
You welcomed the outcasts and showed us our worth.
You reached out to people whom others despised
You said all are precious in God's loving eyes.

3 O Christ, with your welcome your church feels unease:
We stand at closed doors tightly holding the keys.
Yet this is your body, the church that you love
O Lord, do you weep for your church from above?

4 So may your church welcome in loving accord
All people who want to serve Jesus our Lord.
O Spirit, unite us in Jesus the Son
In mission and ministry, God, make us one.

Biblical References: John 15:5; Luke 15; Matthew 7:7-11; 1 Corinthians 12:12-26; John 17:21-22

Tune: Traditional Welsh hymn, in John Robert's *Caniadau y Cyssegr* (Songs of the Sanctuary), 1839 ("Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise")

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SUMMER LUNCH BUNCH



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tinyurl.com/lunch-bunch-2026

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 **FRIDAY**
AUGUST 7, 2026

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 **SUGGESTED DONATION**
\$15-20
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Fields of Faith

St. Andrew Harvest Days

- Aug. 15, 2026
- Oct. 10, 2026

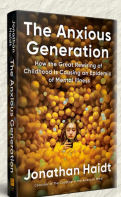


Deacons' Fund

tinyurl.com/sapc-deacons-fund



Summer 2026 Reading List



The Anxious Generation
 by Jonathan Haidt
 • **Learning Academy:** Sept. 13 & 20



Reading the Bible on Turtle Island
 by Christopher Hoklotubbe
 • **Learning Academy:** Oct. 18 & 25



Storyteller:
MICHAEL TILLEY



AT THE TABLE

7 P.M. AUGUST 6, 2026
 St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY



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Elders

Class of 2027: Becky Benson, Scott Fisher, Chloe Goers, Austin Kannegieter, Emily Neddermeyer, and Munir Tanas

2028: Helen Bryce, Don Burch, Paula McCue, Judy Swafford, and Jon Swearingen

2029: Margaret Heidger, John Linder, Josh Schilling, Jessica Steele, and Adam Wolf

Outgoing: Aaron Gibson, Mary Hausler Ruhlow, Virginia Ibrahim-Olin, and Gregs Thomopoulos

Deacons

2027: Jordan Barrett, Eli Benson, Kathy & Dave Duys, Lynne Ginsberg, Cody Neddermeyer, and Jenni Stacy-Adams

2028: Laurel Crusinberry, Vern Dengler, Rick Graf, Cindy Seyfer, and Allison Van Iddekinge

2029: Jean Barth, LuAnn Robinson, Jamie Tanas, Mettie Thomopoulos, and David Weitzel

Outgoing: Jim Halverson, Scott Hoffman, and Emmitt Schmidt-Rundell

Personnel Team (at large)

2027: Kent Short | **2028:** Ernie Found and Mindy Egeland | **2029:** Twila Finkelstein

Nominating Team (at large)

2027: Pat Cone-Fisher, Paul Heidger, Marissa Moore, and Jeremy Penn

Outgoing: Kyle Bernard and Toni Van Voorhis

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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