



**7th Sunday after Pentecost**

**9:30 a.m. | July 27, 2025**

**St. Andrew Presbyterian Church**

# Today's Worship Participants

The Rev. Colette Soultz, pastor

Becky Benson, worship leader

Handbell Ensemble | Dick Crusinberry, Laura Kastens, and Pat Penn

The Miak Family, special music

Emily Neddermeyer, time for young disciples

Eric Goers, stewardship team



## Flowers on the Chancel

- Today's flowers are donated by Lettuce Feed Others, St. Andrew's garden ministry. If you would like to donate flowers for Sunday morning worship, sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/sapc-flowers>, contact [office@saintandrew-ic.org](mailto:office@saintandrew-ic.org), or speak with someone at the Information Kiosk in the Atrium.



**Johnson County  
Interfaith Coalition**

## Bulletin Cover

- *The Eucharist Door* to the Glory Façade of the Basilica de la Sagrada Família in Barcelona, Spain. Installed in 2008 and sculpted by Josep Maria Subirachs, the door is 15 feet tall and 16 feet wide. The center features the full Lord's Prayer in Catalan, with the rest of the door being filled with the phrase "Give us this day our daily bread" in 50 different languages. Photo from the Information Booklet published by the Basilica: <https://tinyurl.com/eucharist-door>.



## Questions for Reflection

- Today's Gospel reading includes a version of the Lord's Prayer from Luke that differs slightly from Matthew's version, which we say after the Prayers of the People. How do these versions speak to you? How does the humility and brevity of Luke's compare with the ornate engraved version on the Bulletin Cover?
- The Psalmist says "unfailing love and truth have met," and "righteousness and peace have kissed." What might that look like in our community? In our nation? In our congregation?
- What gardening metaphors come to mind when the Psalmist says "truth springs from the earth" and "the Eternal plants goodness in the land"? How can truth and goodness be cultivated in our lives? How can we live out those metaphors through garden ministries like St. Andrew's Lettuce Feed Others?



**New Guest Connection**

# The 17th Sunday In Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. | July 27, 2025

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church | Iowa City, Iowa

## Thought for Reflection

“The Psalter serves as the prayer book and the songbook of the Bible and supplants our speechlessness with vocabulary to express the cries of our hearts and the heaviness of our souls.”

— N.T. Wright

## Welcome + Announcements

**Prelude** | *Earth and All Stars*, arr. by Michael Burkhardt and Sondra K. Tucker

✠ **Call to Gather** | *adapted from a liturgy by Philip K. Gladden*

I will give thanks to God with my whole heart;

**I will tell of your wonderful deeds.**

I will be glad and exult in you;

**I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

Our soul waits for the God of Hope, who is our help and shield.

**Our heart is glad because we trust in God's holy name.**

Let your steadfast love, Lord of Love, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

✠ **Gathering Hymn** | “Listen, God Is Calling,” pg. 7

✠ **Prayer of Confession & Promise of Ever-Present Grace** | *adapted from a liturgy by Philip K. Gladden*

The psalmist writes, “Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;

I said, ‘I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,’ and you forgave the guilt of my sin.”

Let us confess our sin before God and one another, assured of divine mercy.

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**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.

**Merciful God, we pray the Lord's Prayer each week, even daily,  
but we do not always walk the walk.**

**We pray that your kingdom will come and your will be done,  
but we are reluctant to do the work of justice and mercy that characterize your reign.**

**We ask for our daily bread and then hoard as much as we can.**

**We ask you to forgive us as we have forgiven others,  
but we are quick to anger and slow to forgive.**

**Loving God, have mercy on us and forgive us our sin.**

**Help us to seek your will for our lives and walk in the way of Jesus,  
in whose name we pray.**

### *Time for Silent Confession*

For freedom, Christ has set us free.

But do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence,  
but through love become servants and stewards to one another.

**We hear and believe the good news of the gospel:**

**In Jesus, the Christ, our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

✠ **Musical Response** | "Impartial, Compassionate God of All Lives," v. 5

**All honor we give you, O help us to see,  
your children are worthy to claim victory.  
And so let our actions flow out of our praise,  
to seek transformation, your Kin-dom to raise.**

✠ **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** | Luke 11:1-13 (*The Voice*)

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

## Time for Young Disciples †

✠ **Hymn** | “We Sing the Mighty Power of God,” pg. 8 (*hymnal*, #10)

**Second Reading** | Psalm 85:1-13 (*The Voice*)

**The Message** | Pastor Colette Soult

## Offering Our Time, Treasure, and Talents

**Next Capital Campaign** | “Finish the Race | Owe Nothing But Love”

**Offertory** | “The Lord Has Promised”

✠ **Response to Our Offerings** | “Give Thanks”



Give Online

***Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;  
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.  
And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say,  
"We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"***

## Prayers of the People

**Lord's Prayer** | *adapted from Matthew 6:9-14 (The Voice)*

Abba, our father in heaven, let your name remain holy.  
Bring about your kingdom. Manifest your will here on earth, as it is manifest in heaven.  
Give us each day that day's bread—no more, no less—  
and forgive us our debts as we forgive those who owe us something.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
But let Your kingdom be, and let it be powerful and glorious forever. Amen.

✠ **Sending Hymn** | “For the Beauty of the Earth,” pg. 9 (*hymnal*, #19)

**Postlude** | *He's Got the Whole World*, arr. by Gail Downey

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† Children in Kindergarten and younger are invited to move down to the Lower Level Children's Area following the Time for Young Disciples.



# Upcoming Events

- Farewell Reception for Myrna Farraj | Today
- Worship Reflections | Aug. 3 & 10
- Meetup @ the Lavender Farm | Aug. 6
- At the Table | Aug. 7
- Healthy Kids Iowa food distribution | Aug. 14
- Meetup @ The Community Potluck (at Zion Lutheran Church) | Aug. 23
- School Year's Eve | Aug. 24
- Pedals & Pipes: An Organ Adventure for Kids | Aug. 24
- Food Market | Aug. 27
- Start of Choir & Bells | Sept. 3
- At the Table | Sept. 4
- Ministry Fair | Sept. 7
- All Abilities Art Exhibit | Sept. 7
- Sunday School & Learning Academy Resume | Sept. 14
- Senior Moments | Sept. 16
- Next Steps | Sept. 21
- Food Market | Sept. 24
- At the Table | Oct. 2
- Compeer Concert | Oct. 3
- World Communion Sunday & Impacto Visit | Oct. 5
- BASIC Pancake Breakfast | Oct. 5
- Pilot Club Breakfast | Oct. 11
- Hayrides @ Dane Farm | Oct. 11
- Trunk or Treat | Oct. 26
- Minds Matter Resource Fair | Nov. 1
- Homemade from Heart Sale | Nov. 1



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## Listen, God Is Calling

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Refrain

Neno lake Mungu

*Leader* *All*

Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,  
Ne - no, ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la - ku - i - ta we - we,

of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.  
ne - no la wo - ko - vu, te - na je - ma. ma.

*Leader* *All*

1 Je - sus gave his man - date: share the good news  
2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.  
3 Help us to be faith - ful, stand - ing stead - fast,

*Leader* *All* *to Refrain*

that he came to save us and set us free.  
In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.  
walk - ing in your pre - cepts, led by your Word.

This anonymous Swahili hymn from Kenya follows a pattern of traditional African music (refrain, call-and-response stanzas, refrain) also common in African American spirituals. This text affirms that God's inviting and forgiving call can still be heard through the written Word.

TEXT: Kenyan; trans. Howard S. Olson, 1987  
MUSIC: Kenyan; arr. Austin C. Lovelace, 1987  
Trans. © 1987 Lutheran Theological College, Makumira (admin. Augsburg Fortress)  
Music Arr. © 1987 Austin C. Lovelace (admin. Augsburg Fortress)

NENO LAKE MUNGU  
6.4.6.4 with refrain

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## We Sing the Mighty Power of God

Em D G D G Am Dsus D

1 We sing the might - y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,  
2 We sing the good-ness of the Lord that filled the earth with food;  
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes your glo - ries known,

Bm7 Em D G D G A Em

that spread the flow-ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y skies.  
he formed the crea-tures with his word and then pro-nounced them good.  
and clouds a - rise and tem-pests blow by or - der from your throne;

Bm Em7 Am7 D7 Gmaj7 Cmaj7 Dsus D

We sing the wis-dom that or-dained the sun to rule the day;  
Lord, how your won-ders are dis-played, wher - e'er we turn our eyes,  
while all that bor - rows life from you is ev - er in your care,

Bm7 C D/C G D G Am Em

the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
if we sur - vey the ground we tread or gaze up - on the skies.  
and ev - ery-where that we can be, you, God, are pre - sent there.

*For an alternate arrangement see 162*

Words: Isaac Watts, 1715, alt. P.D.

Music (KINGSFOLD 8.6.8.6 D): traditional English; arr. Alfred V. Fedak © 2012 Faith Alive Christian Resources



## For the Beauty of the Earth

*Descant*

5 For your - self, best gift di - vine, to the world so free - ly given,  
 G C G C G D G

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,  
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,

a - gent of God's grand de - sign: peace on earth and joy in heaven.  
 C G C G D G

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,  
 hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light,  
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:

Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grate - ful praise.  
*Refrain* D G C G D G

Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grate - ful praise.

4 For the joy of human love,  
 brother, sister, parent, child,  
 friends on earth, and friends above,  
 for all gentle thoughts and mild,  
*Refrain*

5 For yourself, best gift divine,  
 to the world so freely given,  
 agent of God's grand design:  
 peace on earth and joy in heaven.  
*Refrain*

Words: Folliott S. Pierpont, 1864, alt., P.D.

Music (DIX 7.7.7.7.7.7): Conrad Kocher, 1838; adapt. William H. Monk, 1861, P.D.; desc. Sydney H. Nicholson, 1944, © The Royal School of Church Music

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**2026:** Chloe Goers, Aaron Gibson, Mary Hausler, Virginia Ibrahim-Olin, Josh Schilling, and Gregs Thomopulos

**2027:** Becky Benson, Scott Fisher, Austin Kannegieter, Emily Neddermeyer, and Munir Tanas

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

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**2026:** Daniel Chappo, Jim Halverson, Scott Hoffman, Emmit Schmidt-Rundell, Jamie Tanas, and Mettie Thomopulos

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

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

## **Personnel Team (at large)**

**2026:** Twila Finkelstein | **2027:** Kent Short | **2028:** Ernie Found and Mindy Egeland

## **Nominating Team (at large)**

**2026:** Kyle Bernard, Hillary Chappo, Paul Heidger, and Toni Van Voorhis

**Dear St. Andrew Family,**

We have so much to celebrate.

Years ago, God placed a bold vision before us. Through five faithful capital campaigns, we've built a church that's become home to worship, learning, and outreach—welcoming new disciples and transforming lives. Our original \$5.8 million mortgage is now just \$1.8 million. With God's help, and your

generosity, we believe we can pay it off before our balloon payment and interest adjustment hit in 2027.

Our 2022–25 campaign, *Rooted in Faith | Growing to Serve*, gave us strong roots. Now, our final campaign—*Finish the Race | Owe Nothing But Love* (2025–28)—invites us to complete the journey.

Already, we've received pledges totaling \$1.15 million—64% of our goal. Every gift helps. Once the debt is retired, every mortgage dollar can be released for student ministry, justice work, mission, and future ministry. If gifts exceed our goal, any surplus will be invested in long-term building care and next-generation needs.

### How can you participate?

- **Pray** – Ask God how you're called to respond.
- **Pledge** – Consider a three-year commitment rooted in gratitude and faith.
- **Celebrate** – Share what this place means to you and inspire others.

You can pledge using the cards in your pews, by scanning the QR code above, visiting <https://tinyurl.com/owe-nothing-but-love>, or by contacting Walter Sparks ([finance@saintandrew-ic.org](mailto:finance@saintandrew-ic.org)).



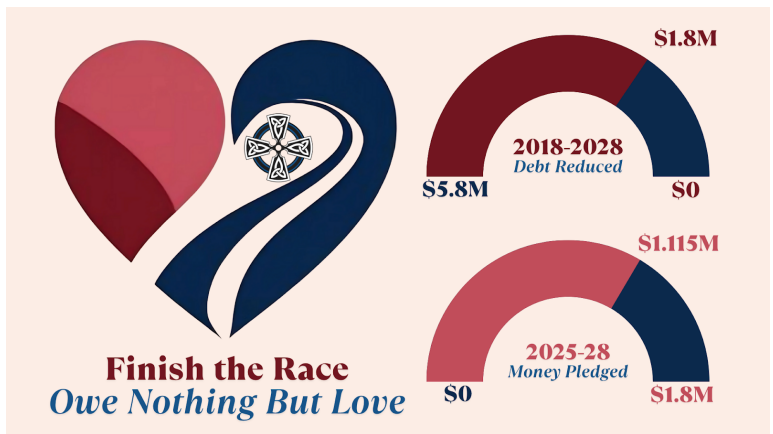
**To Pledge**

Together, we can finish strong—and soon celebrate the day we burn the mortgage and free every dollar for God's work beyond our walls.

With gratitude,

*St. Andrew's Stewardship Team*

- **Session:** Becky Benson and Jon Swearingen
- **Congregation:** Tim Benson, John Benson, Eric Goers, Jack Nies, and Bruce Walker
- **Staff:** Carl Anderson, Jeff Charis-Carlson, and Walter Sparks



# 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](mailto:office@saintandrew-ic.org) or fill out this short form: <https://tinyurl.com/sapc-guest>.
- If you are visiting with us for the first time, please stop by our **Information Kiosk** in the Atrium. We have a small gift for you, and we'd love to answer any questions you may have! *(Also look for anyone wearing an ASK ME name tag.)*
- Our worship services begin **in-person and online shortly before 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** on most Sundays and after the **Sharing of Christ's Peace and Compassion** on Communion Sundays.
- Unless otherwise designated, gifts given to the **weekly offering** support the church budget, including staff salaries, utilities, mission outreach, and all aspects of ministry at St. Andrew.
- 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 in the Atrium 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).

