

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. | Nov. 9, 2025 | St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Today's Worship Participants

The Rev. Dr. Carl Anderson, transitional pastor
Becky Benson, worship leader
Logos Choir | Austen Wilson, director
Resound! Handbell ensemble | Laura Kastens, director
Agape Ringers
Julia Van Den Top, organist and accompanist
Thomas Hartley, time for young disciples
Amy Schmidt-Rundell, connecting hearts, renewing lives

After Worship Today

- PreK-5th Grade: Children's Gathering Area
- Middle School: Middle School Classroom (#17)
- Learning Academy (teens welcome): Jerusalem Through Eight Gates and Eight Dates, with Professor Robert Cargill of the University of Iowa | The Hub

Bulletin Cover

 "Wood and Flame," by Anonymous. Inspired by Exodus 3:2: "There, the Special Messenger of the Eternal appeared to Moses in a fiery blaze from within the bush. Moses looked again at the bush as it blazed; but to his amazement, the bush did not burn up in flames." Source: Wikicommons.

Flowers on the Chancel

 The flowers this morning are presented by David and Linda Clikeman in honor and with deep gratitude to our veterans who have served and are now serving so that we might live and worship freely: "The Lord is with you, mighty warrior" (Judges 6:12).













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Remembering Our Resurrection Sunday

9:30 a.m. | November 9, 2025 St. Andrew Presbyterian Church | Iowa City, Iowa

Questions for Reflection:

- "Be strong...keep working on it" (Haggai 2) | What "temples" in your life or community feel less glorious than they once did—and how might God's Spirit be inviting you to rebuild hope rather than nostalgia?
- "God of the living" (Luke 20) | Jesus insists that God is not the God of the dead but of the living. How does that claim challenge the ways we memorialize, grieve, or cling to what is past?
- "The Burning Bush" (Bulletin Cover) | When have you stood before something radiant yet undestroyed—some holy moment of endurance or beauty—and failed to recognize it as God's presence?
- "Now thank we all our God" (Hymn) | In a world of constant scarcity talk, what does it mean to cultivate gratitude as resistance—to thank God not because life is easy, but because grace keeps showing up?
- "Thine is the glory ... endless is the victory" (Hymn) | How does the resurrection promise reshape our understanding of victory—not as conquest or control, but as the persistent triumph of love over fear?

Welcome + Announcements

Prelude | When Morning Gilds the Skies, arr. by Sandra Eithun

⊞ Call to Gather | adapted from Psalm 145

Let us join with the generations before us and offer praise to our God and Deliverer:

O God of Justice, we will bless your name forever and always.

We will pass on the stories of your powerful acts to our children.

Your majesty and glorious splendor have captivated us.

We will meditate on your wonders and sing songs of your worth.

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.

- Gathering Hymn | "When We Are Living," pg. 6 | Verse 1, Choir; Verses 2-4, All
- ➡ Prayer of Confession and Promise of Ever-Present Grace | adapted from a liturgy by Haley Ballast

Though we are prone to wander, the spirit of God abides among us.

Trusting in God's persistent love and mercy, let us confess our sin.

Gracious God, we confess that we are too easily influenced by peddlers of despair and alarm, too quick to sink into numbness and apathy, too tired to imagine another way.

Our hopes have crumbled, and our hearts are faint.

Breathe new life into us, we pray.

Help us to be mindful of your promises, your faithfulness, and your presence as we face the challenges of our lives.

Restore our vision and give us courage to live in your truth.

Time for Silent Confession

Friends, God's ways are just, and God's kindness is constant.

The Eternal One draws near to us with compassion and forgives our sins.

Thanks be to God, we are a forgiven people.

Musical Response | "Glory Be to the Father," pg. 7

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, 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!**

Offering Our Time, Treasure, and Talents

Connecting Hearts | Renewing Lives

Offertory | Risen Today! by Dan Forrest



■ Response to Our Offerings | "Now Thank We All Our God," pg. 8 ■ Response to Our Offerings | "Now Thank We All Our God," pg. 8

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices; who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

Old Testament Reading | Haggai 1:15b-2:9 (*The Voice*)

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

Time for Young Disciples [⊕]

Gospel Reading | Luke 20:27-38 (The Voice)

The Message | Pastor Carl Anderson

Hymn | "Thine Is the Glory," pg. 9

Prayers of the People | The Lord's Prayer | adapted from Luke 11:2-4 & Matthew 6:13 (The Voice)

Father in heaven, may your name be revered.

May your kingdom come.

May your will be accomplished on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us the food we need for tomorrow.

Forgive us for our wrongs, as we forgive those who wrong us.

Lead us away from temptation, and save us from the evil one.

But let Your kingdom be ... and let it be powerful and glorious forever. Amen.

■ Sending Hymn | "O Sing to the Lord," pg. 10

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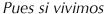
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₩ Benediction

Postlude | Cantad al Señor, arr. by Susan Geschke

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

When We Are Living





This hymn began as an orally transmitted stanza reflecting on Romans 14:7-8 and was expanded by a Spanish-language hymnal committee to offer additional examples of the many dimensions of life, thereby strengthening the recurring affirmation that we belong to God through them all.

TEXT: Stanza 1, anon.; English trans. Elise S. Eslinger, 1983; stanzas 2-4, Roberto Escamilla, 1983; English trans. George Lockwood, 1987 MUSIC: Spanish melody; arr. Barbara C. Mink, 1988

SOMOS DEL SEÑOR 10.10.10.10



Note on Today's Music

For part of today's worship service, it might seem as if we time travelled to Easter Sunday! During the Worship and Music Conference at Montreat in 2024, I heard the inspirational Lim Swee Hong, noted Singaporean Canadian professor of theology and composer of hymns. In one of his lectures, he remarked that if we ask congregations their most favorite hymns, both Easter hymns and hymns of lament are unfortunately typically missing from that list. That comment has stuck with me ever since, so when I saw the reference to resurrection in the Gospel reading, I used Dr. Hong's remarks as guidance in choosing a choir anthem and an Easter hymn this morning, *Thine is the Glory*. In a world with so much strife, it's a joy to be reminded of the hope in the resurrection. — Austen Wilson

643 Now Thank We All Our God



Although this hymn is often used on large and festive occasions, its first two stanzas had much humbler beginnings: they originated as a family table prayer during the Thirty Years' War (1618–1648). These words have been associated with this tune since the mid-17th century.







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O Sing to the Lord

Cantai ao Senhor





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new song. O sing the Lord: O sing God new song. to a won - ders. For God is the Lord, God has done won - ders. and trum-pets. So dance for our God and blow all the trum - pets. Spir - it. O shout to God, who gave us the Spir - it. our For men! Al - le ia! Je - sus is Lord! Α lu - ia!



PORTUGUESE

- 1 Cantai ao Senhor um cântico novo, (3x) cantai ao Senhor, cantai ao Senhor.
- 2 Porque ele fez, ele fez maravilhas, (3x) cantai ao Senhor, cantai ao Senhor.
- 3 Cantai ao Senhor, bendizei o seu nome, (3x) cantai ao Senhor, cantai ao Senhor.
- 4 É ele quem dá o Espírito Santo, (3x) cantai ao Senhor, cantai ao Senhor.
- 5 Jesus é o Senhor! Amém, aleluia! (3x) cantai ao Senhor, cantai ao Senhor.

SPANISH

- 1 Cantad al Señor un cántico nuevo. (3x) ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!
- 2 Pues nuestro Señor ha hecho prodigios. (3x) ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!
- 3 Cantad al Señor, alabadle con arpa. (3x) ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!
- 4 Es él quien nos da el Espíritu Santo. (3x) ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!
- 5 ¡Jesús es Señor! ¡Amén, aleluya! (3x) ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!

A Lutheran missionary musician heard this song at a pastors' conference in southern Brazil in 1982, then went home to Argentina (where he was then serving) and translated it from Portuguese into Spanish. Later, when back in the U.S.A. on furlough, he translated it into English.

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

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

Finance Team (elected by Session)

Treasurer: Emily Nedderymeyer (2026); Assistant Treasurer: Michelle DeGroot (2026)

Questions about Worship?

- **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 fill out this short form: **https://tinyurl.com/sapc-guest**.
- 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.
- 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).

Upcoming Events

- 'No Grinch Here' Food Drive | Today to Dec. 7
- Food Market Round Up | Today
- Gifts of the Heart Packing | Saturday
- Food Market | Nov. 19 (third Wednesday)
- Alternative Gift Market | Nov. 23
- Hanging of the Greens | Nov. 23
- ETC/BASIC Thanksgiving | Nov. 23
- Celebration of Life: Mary Mixdorf | Nov. 30
- Hills Bank's Lights of Remembrance | Dec. 1
- At the Table | Dec. 4
- Lessons and Carols | Dec. 7

- Children's Christmas Pageant | Dec. 14
- Orchestra Iowa Brass Concert | Dec. 14
- Cocoa and Carols | Dec. 21
- Christmas Eve | 5, 7, & 11 p.m., Dec. 24
- Bingo & Games | Jan. 2
- At the Table | Jan. 8
- Sunday School Resumes | Jan. 11
- Next Steps | Jan. 18
- Women's Retreat | Jan. 31
- At the Table | Feb. 5
- Congregational Meeting | Feb. 8