

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

10th Sunday after Pentecost

August 6, 2023

Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor

Elder Nellie Gates, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude

"Give Him Glory"

Dr. Gilbreath

We Gather in God's Presence

Pastor's Welcome

Minute for Christian Education

Nellie Gates

Call to Worship

One: We come, carrying just what we need for the journey

All: five loaves, two fish.

One: We come, bringing whatever we have to offer:

All: our time, our talents, our gifts.

One: We come, knowing God will multiply our offerings:

All: in God's hands, what we have is enough.

*Hymn

"I Come with Joy"

#515

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Generous God, you freely offer us all we need. You offer us the bread of life, so we may never be hungry again. You offer us living water, so we will never thirst. But we scoff and your gifts, wasting our money, time, and energy on things that do not satisfy. Forgive us and call to us again, reminding us of your gifts of new life that are ours, if we would only accept them. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

Hymn of Response

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

#435,v.1

Assurance of Pardon

One: God makes an everlasting covenant with us.

All: God forgives us, renews us, refreshes us, and leads us onward.

Thanks be to God!

*Passing of the Peace

*Gloria Patri

#581

We Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Elder Nellie Gates

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 55:1-5

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*Hymn

"Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken"

#498

Scripture Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

Rev. Brogdon

Sermon

"Stop Me If You've Heard This Before"

Rev. Brogdon

We Respond to God's Word

Call for the Offering

Offertory

"Because He Lives"

Dr. Gilbreath

*Doxology

#606

*Prayer of Dedication

Communion Anthem

"The Table of Grace"

Choir

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also, with you.

One: Lift up your heart.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: It is truly right and our greatest joy to praise you, O God...

One: ...who forever praise your name:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

One: Holy God, we thank you for Jesus Christ, your Son...

One: Great is the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Rev. Brogdon continues.

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer After Communion

Nourishing God, thank you for inviting us to your table where all are welcome, and for feeding us with the bread of life and quenching our thirst with the cup of blessing. As you have filled our lives with love and hope, may we be a source of your love and hope for others who hunger and thirst for good news. Amen.

We Are Sent Into the World

*Hymn	"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"	#649
*Benediction		Rev. Brogdon
Postlude	"Footsteps of Jesus"	Dr. Gilbreath

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.

Calendar:

Mon., Aug. 7	9:00 AM Color Group
Wed., Aug. 9	4:30 PM Choir
	5:30 PM CONNECT with Addi Zeiher: "The Reality of Being a Student in America: A Piece on School Shootings Across the Country."
Fri., Aug 11	8:00 AM Presbyterian Men's Breakfast & Swim
Mon., Aug. 14	HAD Lunch
Wed., Aug. 16	4:00 PM Finance Committee

To Our Guests:

Welcome! It is a blessing to have you in worship with us today. We warmly invite your participation in the worship, fellowship, and ministry of our congregation. The pastor is available to answer any questions you might have after worship, by email or phone. There is a place for you here. A nursery is provided for children under the age of three.

Live Streams and recordings of each week's worship service are available on our YouTube channel. For more information, visit us at www.standrewdecalur.org.



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Scripture Reading, Nellie Gates: Isaiah 55:1-5

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Scripture Reading, Rev Brogdon: Matthew 14:13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns.

When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves."

Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me."

Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.