

# St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Trinity Sunday

May 26, 2024

Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor

Faye Anderson, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Dr. Gilbreath

## We Gather in God’s Presence

Pastor’s Welcome

Call to Worship:

One: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; Speaker, Word, and Breath of Life; Font of Blessing, Living Water, and Flowing River:

**All: *Glory to you forever!***

One: Compassionate Mother, Beloved Child, and Life-Giving Womb; Giver, Gift, and Giving; Lover, Beloved, and Love itself:

**All: *Glory to you forever!***

One: God who was, God who is, God who is to come:

**All: *Glory to you forever! Let us worship the Triune God!***

\*Hymn

“To God Be the Glory”

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Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

***For you so loved the world, O God, that you came among us to feel our pain, amplify our joy, and bless our broken stories. For you so loved the world, O God, that you are among us still, calling us by your spirit to follow in the way of your love. Forgive us when we do not listen, O God: when we forget the love that you have for us and the love we are called to share with one another. Forgive us, three-in-one God, and let your love transform our lives. Amen. (Silent Confession)***

Hymn of Response

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks” refrain

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Assurance of Pardon:

One: Sisters and brothers, hear the good news: We did not receive the spirit of slavery, but rather the spirit of adoption.

**All: *Our guilt has departed; our sin is blotted out, for we are God’s beloved children—forgiven, loved, and free.***

One: May God’s peace be with you.

**All: *And also with you.***

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Gloria Patri

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## We Listen for God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Faye Anderson

Scripture Reading

Romans 8:12-17 - CEB

Faye Anderson

Anthem

“Holy is the Lord”

Choir

Scripture Reading

John 3:1-17

Rev. Brogdon

Sermon

“ABC, Easy As 1,2,3”

Rev. Brogdon

\*Hymn

“There Is a Redeemer”

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## We Respond to God’s Word

Affirmation of Faith: Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.07

***Jesus Christ is God with humankind. He is the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation.***

***He is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. This work of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is the foundation of all confessional statements about God, humanity, and the world. Therefore, the church calls all people to be reconciled to God and to one another.***

Prayers of the People

Call for the Offering

Offertory

“How Great Thou Art”

Dr. Gilbreath

\*Doxology

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\*Prayer of Dedication

## We Are Sent into the World

\*Hymn

“Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!”

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\*Benediction

Rev. Brogdon

\*Postlude

“God, Our Father, We Adore Thee”

Dr. Gilbreath

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

***Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.***

**Calendar of Events:**

Mon., May 27	Memorial Day Church Office Closed
Mon., June 10	HAD Lunch, sign up to bring cornbread, rolls, dessert or serve.
Wed., June 12	5:30 PM CONNECT w/Bo Lundy, Haiti Hospital

**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.

Children's activity bags are available from an usher for the sermon time. Please leave the bag in the pew as you leave. A nursery is provided for children 3 years of age and under.

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**Scripture Reading, Faye Anderson: Romans 8:12-17- CEB**

So then, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation, but it isn't an obligation to ourselves to live our lives on the basis of selfishness. If you live on the basis of selfishness, you are going to die. But if by the Spirit you put to death the actions of the body, you will live. All who are led by God's Spirit are God's sons and daughters. You didn't receive a spirit of slavery to lead you back again into fear, but you received a Spirit that shows you are adopted as his children. With this Spirit, we cry, "Abba, Father." The same Spirit agrees with our spirit, that we are God's children. But if we are children, we are also heirs. We are God's heirs and fellow heirs with Christ, if we really suffer with him so that we can also be glorified with him.

**Scripture Reading, Rev. Brogdon: John 3:1-17**

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with

everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?"

Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."