

# St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

July 21, 2024

Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor

Stu Strong, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" Dr. Gilbreath

## We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome

Call to Worship:

One: Christ calls to us:

**All: "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest awhile."**

One: O God, you prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

**All: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I shall dwell in God's house my whole life long.**

One: Let us worship God!

\*Hymn "Come, Great God of All the Ages" #309

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

**We love you, O Lord, with our prayers and our songs. Forgive us when we do not love you with our actions. You have called us to tend your sheep: to care for your people around the world, to share what we have, and to reflect your love. Forgive us, O Lord, when our love for you is shallow, when our love for our neighbors is empty, and when our love for ourselves is hard to find.**

**Forgive us, O God, of the ways we fall short, and by your forgiveness, free us to try again. Amen. (Silent Confession)**

Hymn of Response "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" v.1 #438

Assurance of Pardon:

One: The river of God's mercy runs deeper and wider than our sin. God removes our sins as far as the heavens are above the earth. Beloved in the risen Christ, we are forgiven.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Gloria Patri #581

## We Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination Stu Strong

Scripture Reading Ephesians 2:17-22 Stu Strong

Solo "He's All You Need" Susan Morrow

Scripture Reading Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 Rev. Tripp Brogdon

Sermon "" Rev. Tripp Brogdon

\*Hymn "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" #310

## We Respond to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

**I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Call for the Offering  
Offertory "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Dr. Gilbreath

\*Doxology #606

\*Prayer of Dedication

## We Are Sent into the World

\*Hymn "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" #187

\*Benediction Rev. Tripp Brogdon

\*Postlude "Footsteps of Jesus" Dr. Gilbreath

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

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

**Calendar of Events:**

Wed., July 24 4:30 PM Choir  
Sat., July 27 11:00 AM Memorial Service for Jim Boyd

*The flowers in the sanctuary were placed by John Brandon in honor of Betty Brandon's 89<sup>th</sup> birthday. The flowers were arranged by their granddaughter, Mallie.*

**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, Stu Strong: Ephesians 2:17-22**

So Jesus came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone; in him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

**Scripture Reading, Rev. Tripp Brogden: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56**

The apostles gathered around Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak, and all who touched it were healed.