

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

10th Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2024

Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor

D. Ann Norris, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude "The Love of God" Dr. Gilbreath

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome Rev. Tripp Brogdon

Minute for Mission Presbyterian Giving Catalog Joan Jordan

Call to Worship:

One: God created all things visible and invisible; none other.

All: God provides food for our stomach and for our spirit; none other.

One: God is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine.

All: Let us worship our God, and none other!

*Hymn "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" #353

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession – by Thom M. Shuman

Wisdom's Heart: deep within, we know how we have failed to be your people. Our hardened hearts are closed to the love of Christ; our lust for more and more blocks the fullness of your grace from transforming our lives; our trust in the powers of the world reveals our foolish nature. Have mercy, God of every generation. Pour out the rich blessing of forgiveness on our parched souls. Feed us with Heaven's Bread, so we might be nourished by your gentleness. Shape us as your people, and restore us to faithful living, as we seek to follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in service to everyone we meet. Amen. (Silent Confession)

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

Assurance of Pardon:

One: Dearly beloved, through the power of the Spirit that is at work within us, God forgives our sins and strengthens our inner beings.

All: We will now live knowing the love of Christ, which surpasses all knowledge and fills us with the fullness of God. Thanks be to God!

*Passing of the Peace

*Gloria Patri #581

We Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination D. Ann Norris

Scripture Reading John 6:1-15 D. Ann Norris

Anthem "I Will Come to You" Choir

Scripture Reading Ephesians 3:14-21 Rev. Tripp Brogdon

Sermon "Pure Imagination" Rev. Tripp Brogdon

*Hymn "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" #629

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 "O, How He Loves You and Me" Dr. Gilbreath

*Doxology #606

*Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

*Hymn	“Christ Be Beside Me”	#702
*Benediction		Rev. Tripp Brogdon
*Postlude	“My Savior’s Love”	Dr. Gilbreath

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.

Calendar of Events:

Thurs., Aug. 1	1:00 PM Caring Hands
Fri., Aug. 2	2:00 PM Memorial Service for Mike Smith

The flowers in the sanctuary were lovingly placed by Mr. & Mrs. Foster in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

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.

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, D. Ann Norris: John 6:1-15

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.' When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

Scripture Reading, Rev. Tripp Brogdon: Ephesians 3:14-21

For this reason, I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.