

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

19th Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2024

Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor

Nellie Gates, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude "Take Time to Be Holy" Dr. Gilbreath

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome Rev. Tripp Brogdon

Call to Worship:

One: We gather in this place, seeking to live in faithful community and asking God to guide us.

All: Lord, revive our souls,

One: that we might lift each other up.

All: Lord, revive our souls,

One: that we might order our communities in ways that lead us toward love.

All: Lord, revive our souls as we worship You today!

*Hymn "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" #12

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

God, our strength and savior, you know our great transgressions, our hidden faults, our secret sins. With our hands we grasp at power; with our feet we stumble into evil; with our eyes we look out for ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God, and lead us in your holy way of life and love and peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. (Silent Confession)

Hymn of Response "Give Thanks" #647

Assurance of Pardon:

One: Though we wander from the truth, God brings us back and saves our souls from death.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

*Passing of the Peace

*Gloria Patri

#581

We Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination Nellie Gates

Scripture Reading Psalm 19:7-14 Nellie Gates

Choir Anthem "Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet/
Jesus Knows the Inmost Heart" Choir

Scripture Reading Mark 9:38-50 Rev. Tripp Brogdon

Sermon " " Rev. Tripp Brogdon

*Hymn "We All Are One in Mission" #733

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 "How Great Thou Art" Dr. Gilbreath

*Doxology #606

*Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

*Hymn "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" #804

*Benediction Rev. Tripp Brogdon

*Postlude "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Dr. Gilbreath

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.

Calendar of Events:

Tues., Oct. 1 10:00 AM Presbyterian Women, Lesson: "Land Justice",
Genesis 2:7; Lev. 25:23; 25-28; Deut. 20:16-18; Josh. 6;
1 Kings 21:1-16; Ps. 24:1-2; Is. 5:8 Leader: Nelda Gilbert

Thurs., Oct. 3 1:00 PM Caring Hands

Sun., Oct. 6 Peace & Global Witness Offering



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, Nellie Gates: Psalm 19:7-14

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults. Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

Scripture Reading, Rev. Brogdon: Mark 9:38-50

John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than

to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. "For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."