

Andrew Presbyterian Church

6th Sunday of EasterMay 25, 2025

Rev. Tripp Brogdon, PastorCeil Hydrick, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir DirectorDr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

We Gather in God’s Presence

Welcome

Minute for MissionPentecost Offering

*Call to Worship: Adapted from Psalm 67

One: Be gracious to us and bless us; O God, show us favor.

All: **May your way, O God, be known upon the earth; may your deliverance be known among the nations.**

One: Peoples will praise you, O God; all peoples will praise you.

All: **Nations will exult and shout for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity; you guide the nations of the earth.**

One: The peoples will praise you, O God; all people will praise you.

All: **Let us worship God!**

*Hymn“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”#403

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Gracious God, we equate our judgment with your judgment, and often consider our ways to be your ways. We define peace as the absence of disruption, holding our comfort as your aim and thinking our preferences reflect your way. Too often we act as if we are your authoritative witnesses, believing our worldview corresponds with your vision, and that our narrative contains your hope for the future. O God, dislodge us from our sinful assumptions. Forgive our selfish views. Correct us with your truth and teach us by your Spirit. Amen. (Silent Confession)

Hymn of Response“We Are Forgiven”#447

Assurance of Pardon

One: It is the Lord who opens eyes to see. It is the Lord who softens hearts to hear. It is the Lord who returns us to God’s presence. Peace to you all. You are loved. You are enough. You belong. In Jesus Christ, you are restored.

All: **Thanks be to our God forever and ever.**

*Passing of the Peace

*Gloria Patri#581

We Listen for God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture ReadingRevelation 21:10, 22-22:5

Choir Anthem“Peace Unto You”

Scripture ReadingJohn 5:1-9

Sermon“”

*Hymn“Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters”#490

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
(The offering plate is not passed, but is located on a stand outside the sanctuary doors.)

Offertory“Jesus Is All the World to Me”

*Doxology#606

*Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

*Hymn“When Morning Gilds the Skies”#667

*Benediction

*Postlude

"He Is Jehovah"

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.

Calendar of Events:

Mon., May 26	Memorial Day, Church office is closed.
Wed., May 28	4:30 PM Choir
	5:30 PM Church Picnic

The Presbyterian Women thank you for your generous donations to our recent Birthday Offering. We appreciate your support!

Guests

Welcome! It is a blessing to have you 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, Ceil Hydrick: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Scripture Reading, Rev. Brogdon: John 5:1-9

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. One

man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be made well?” The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.” Jesus said to him, “Stand up, take your mat and walk.” At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk.