St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

4th Sunday after Pentecost Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor July 6, 2025 Nellie Gates, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude

"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

Jeff Gilbreath Linda Webster

Glory, glory hallelujah! God's truth is marching on.

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome

*Call to Worship:

One: God hears our cries and restores our troubled souls.

All: We can't keep silent. We sing God's praises with joy!

One: God nurses and comforts us until our hearts are strong like mountains.

All: We can't keep silent. We sing God's praises with joy!

One: God's love sustains us to flourishing.

All: We can't keep silent. We sing God's praises with joy!

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*Hymn

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

#645

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

God of perfect love, you continually bring forth life, transforming sadness to joy, and despair to hope. We are weak, but you are strong. Our ways are flawed, but your ways are true. We are seldom right, but you are never wrong. Forgive us, redeem us, transform us. Take away the sin that burdens us, and restore us to the people you would have us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen. Silent Confession)

Hymn of Response

"Spirit of the Living God"

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Assurance of Pardon:

One: Relentlessly, God seeks us out. With abundant grace and boundless mercy,

God seeks us out. This is good news!

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*Passing of the Peace

*Gloria Patri #581

We Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Galatians 6:1-10

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*Hymn "Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

Scripture Reading Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Sermon "Can't See the Forest For the Trees"

We Respond to God's Word

Call for the Offering

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

Offertory "I'll Tell the World that I'm a Christian"

*Doxology #606

*Prayer of Dedication

Communion Anthem "In the Silence of This Moment"

Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving One: The Lord be with you. *All: And also with you.* One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: Exalted is your name always and everywhere, Lord God, for you created all things.

One: ...we join their unending hymn.

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

One: God of the harvest, you sowed among us the seed of your only Son.

One: Great is the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Rev. Brogdon continues.

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer After Communion

Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life. Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love. God, you have fed us with your grace. Now send us out into your beloved world to share your life, your love, your grace with all. Blessing and honor and glory to you, holy, holy, holy Lord. Amen.

We Are Sent Into the World

*Hymn "For the Bread Which You Have Broken" #516

*Benediction

Postlude "Tell the Good News"

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.

Calendar:

Wed., July 9 4:30 PM Choir

5:30 PM CONNECT Bible Study

Mon., July 14 HAD Lunch Sign-up to bring rolls, cornbread, dessert or serve.

<u>Guests</u>

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.

<u>Children's activity bags</u> 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.standrewdecatur.org



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Scripture Reading, Nellie Gates: Galatians 6:1-10

My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads. Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

Scripture Reading, Rev. Brogdon: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

After this, the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you.

Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them. "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."