

# St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

10th Sunday after PentecostAugust 17, 2025

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Prelude

“Near to the Heart of God”

We Gather in God’s Presence

Welcome

\*Call to Worship:  
One: Sing a song of thanksgiving.  
*All: Declare God’s wondrous deeds.*  
One: For the Lord dwells among us.  
*All: The glory of God abides with us.*  
One: Rejoice in the Lord and be glad.  
*All: Let us rejoice in the Lord and sing!*

\*Hymn

“God Is Calling through the Whisper”

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Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:  
*Almighty God, we confess that within us there is doubt and sometimes fear, but in you there is comfort and peace. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we feel lost, hold us up. We ask for your loving care for ourselves and all people everywhere. Amen (Silent Confession)*

Hymn of Response

“Go Now in Peace”

Assurance of Pardon  
One: All those who put their faith and trust in God can be assured of God’s gracious forgiveness, comfort, and loving care.  
*All: Thanks be to God!*

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Gloria Patri

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We Listen for God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Meditation: “Experiencing God’s Comfort”

Turn to God in Prayer: Psalm 63:1-8; Psalm 34:1-8  
Hymn #465 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Read and Meditate on Scripture: Psalm 46; Isaiah 41:10  
Solo “Why Should I Feel Discouraged?”

Worship, Praise, and Trust in God’s Grace: Psalm 91:1-6 and 11-16  
Hymn #649 “Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”

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

“He Hideth My Soul”

\*Doxology

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\*Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

\*Hymn

“Jesus Calls Us”

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\*Benediction

\*Postlude

“There’s Not a Friend like Jesus”

\*Please rise in body or spirit.  
***Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.***

**Calendar of Events:**

Thurs., Aug. 21	1:00 PM Caring Hands
Mon., Aug. 25	Member Care Meeting
Wed., Aug. 27	4:30 PM Choir
	5:30 PM CONNECT Ice Cream Social w/Hymn Sing
Sun., Aug. 31	Combined Sunday School Class w/Rev. Tripp

**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.

Live Streams and recordings of each week's worship service are available on our YouTube channel. For more information, visit us at [www.standrewdecaturn.org](http://www.standrewdecaturn.org)



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## **Scripture Reading**

### **Psalm 63:1-8**

O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. So I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips when I think of you on my bed, and meditate on you in the watches of the night; for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.

My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.

### **Psalm 34:1-8**

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together. I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed.

This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble. The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

### **Psalm 46**

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. (Selah) There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The

nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. (Selah)

Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth." The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. (Selah)

### **Isaiah 41:10**

Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.

### **Psalm 91:1-6 and 11-16**

You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust." For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence; he will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler. You will not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day, or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone. You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot. Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.