

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

14th Sunday after Pentecost

September 14, 2025

Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor

Elder Faye Anderson, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

We Gather in God’s Presence

Welcome

*Call to Worship:

One: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

All: My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord.

One: My heart and my flesh sing for joy in the living God.

All: Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise!

*Hymn

“To God Be the Glory”

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Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God, we confess that we have wandered from the path you have set before us. You ask us to share with others, but we make excuses. You ask us to be witnesses to others and share our faith, but we keep silent about your saving love. Forgive us and take away our fear so that we may serve you daily. Amen. (Silent Confession)

Hymn of Response

“Go Now in Peace”

Assurance of Pardon

One: Hear the good news! We can be confident that God’s love comes to us through the gift of the Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God!

*Passing of the Peace

*Gloria Patri

#581

We Listen for God’s Word

Choir Anthem

“Lord of the Morning”

Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Sandra Locke-Godbey

Scripture Reading

“Luke 10:38-42”

Rev. Sandra Locke-Godbey

Sermon

“Lord, Don’t You Care?”

Rev. Sandra Locke-Godbey

*Hymn

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

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We Respond to God’s Word

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles’ Creed

Rev. Sandra Locke-Godbey

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/Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Sandra Locke-Godbey

Call for the Offering

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

Offertory

“Because He Lives”

*Doxology

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*Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

*Hymn

“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine”

#839

*Benediction

Rev. Sandra Locke-Godbey

*Postlude

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.

This morning we welcome Rev. Sandra Locke-Godbey, who was ordained as Elder in the United Methodist Church in 1976. She served churches throughout the Decatur District from 1976-1990. Rev. Locke-Godbey also serves as a Hospice of the Valley Chaplain and as a Pastoral Counselor for Decatur-Morgan Hospital. Presently she serves as Therapist at the Wholistic Ministry Center. Rev. Locke-Godbey is married to John Godbey and has two daughters, two sons-in-law, and is blessed to be the “Grandmommy” of six grandchildren. Life verse: “To much is given; much is required.” Luke 12:48b

Calendar of Events:

Thurs., Sept. 18 1:00 PM Caring Hands
Wed., Sept. 24 2:00 PM Session Meeting
4:30 PM Choir

On Friday, September 26, CATS will be taking a trip to The Old Cook Stove, an Amish Restaurant in Danville, Al. This is an excellent, Amish cooking, all you can eat, buffet. The cost is \$14.49, beverages other than water are \$2.29. We will meet in the church parking lot and leave at 10:30 a.m. Bring a friend, everyone is invited. You can sign up by texting CATSCOOKSTOVE or scan the QR code.



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



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Scripture Reading, Rev. Sandra Locke-Godbey : Luke

10:38-42

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."