# St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

18th Sunday after Pentecost Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor

October 12, 2025

Elder Linda Grissom, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude

"Enter His Gates with Thanksgiving"

Dr. Gilbreath

#### We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome Elder Linda Grissom

Minute For Mission Presbyterian Women Nellie Gates

\*Call to Worship:

One: Shout for joy to God, all the earth! *All: Sing the glory of his name.* 

One: Make his praise glorious.

All: Praise our God, all people; let the sound of his praise be heard.

One: Come and hear of God's wondrous works.

All: Let us worship God.

\*Hymn "For the Beauty of the Earth"

**Gathering Prayer** 

Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession:

Almighty God, we are not always people who live by your commandments. We often treat others unfairly and make judgments about our neighbors, dishonoring you. We act in ways that hurt others instead of showing them Christ's love. Forgive us and help us to be the people you created us to be. We ask these things in the name of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen. (Silent Confession)

Hymn of Response

"There Is a Redeemer" v.1

#443

#14

Assurance of Pardon

One: This is the good news: Those who put their faith and trust in God can be assured of God's gracious forgiveness.

All: Thanks be to God!

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Gloria Patri #581

#### We Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Luke 17:11-19

Choir Anthem "Psalm of Quietness"

Scripture Reading 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c Rev. Laura Lemley

Sermon "The Healing We Need" Rev. Laura Lemley

\*Hymn "We Come to You for Healing, Lord" #796

#### 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 "True Colors/Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Dr. Gilbreath

\*Doxology #606

\*Prayer of Dedication

#### We Are Sent into the World

\*Hymn "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" #542

\*Benediction

\*Postlude "Victory in Jesus" Dr. Gilbreath

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.

Rev. Laura Lemley grew up in Nashville, TN. She attended the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and has served as a chaplain in nursing homes, hospitals and now as a hospice chaplain for the past 7 years. Laura and her husband, Hank, moved to Huntsville in 2013, and have 3 grown children. Laura loves to sing and spend time with her family and pets. We welcome you, Rev. Laura Lemley! It is a blessing to have you with us.

#### **Calendar of Events:**

Mon., Oct. 13 HAD Lunch – sign up to bring rolls, cornbread, dessert

or serve.

Thurs., Oct. 16 1:00 PM Caring Hands

Wed., Oct. 22 10:00 AM Mission Committee Meeting

4:30 PM Choir

#### 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.

<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, Linda Grissom: Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

# Scripture Reading, Rev. Laura Lemley: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn

that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel..."