

# St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 3, 2025

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Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.

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## *Gathering Around the Word*

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### Centering Meditation

#### ***The Peace of Wild Things — Wendell Berry***

When despair for the world grows in me  
and I wake in the night at the least sound  
in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be,  
I go and lie down where the wood drake  
rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.  
I come into the peace of wild things  
who do not tax their lives with forethought  
of grief. I come into the presence of still water.  
And I feel above me the day-blind stars  
waiting with their light. For a time  
I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.

### Ringling of the Bell

Prelude                      Take My Life and Let it Be Consecrated                      arr. Barbara Boertje

### Welcome

### Call to Worship

One: There is a place where each bird's beauty

**Many: shimmers upon waters that give rest and food.**

One: There is a place where tomorrow's burdens

**Many: bear no weight upon the possibilities of today.**

One: There is a place where still waters

**Many: are ready to nourish parched hearts.**

One: There is a place where God's peace

**Many: seeks our lying down.**

One: There is a place

**Many: and that place is God's creation.**

One: There is a place

**Many: and that place is here.**

Opening Hymn #438

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

### **Call to Confession**

One: While despair and fear can be valid parts of the human experience, we too often lose today in the past's despair and fear for our future. God desires for us to find the peace and mercy of Christ *right now* so that all we imagine going forward can be grounded in grace and its dreams for justice. Let us open our hearts to this mercy in prayer.

### **Prayer of Confession**

**All:** Creating God, you made the wild spaces of forests and oceans, mountains and plains. You made our own hearts. Creation sings your praise with its every breath. Trees sway to the melody of your breeze. Waves crash and roll in the power of your pull. We are not so faithful. Rather than join creation's praise, we silence it. We lay waste to the work of your hands in hopes that our hands will have too much to hold. Have mercy upon us. By your Spirit, guide our wild hearts back to you that they may become wilderness spaces for rest and delight, not spaces torn apart for false gain. Amen.

### **Silent Prayers**

**Sung Response #577**

**Lord, Have Mercy**

### **Assurance of Grace**

One: The grace and mercy of Jesus Christ is like a day-blind star, present even when we cannot see it, always waiting with light. Let us declare this good news together:

**Many: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

### **Passing of Christ's Peace**

One: The Peace of Christ always be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

**Response #583**

**Glory to God**

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## ***Proclaiming the Word***

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### **Prayer for Illumination**

One: Dear God, our unbelievable creator, we are surrounded by the awesomeness of all that you have made. You made the light that guides our paths and warms our bodies and spirits out of nothing. *How unbelievable is that?!* As we explore your presence in the world and in our lives, shine your light that we may understand your Word for us. Show us your power and creativity in fresh ways, so that we may find new hope and live more faithfully for you. Amen.

**First Reading**

**Colossians 3:1-11**

**Pew Bible, p.957**

**Special Music**                      **Give Me Jesus**                      **arr. Fernando Ortega**  
   **Jim Copeland, soloist**

**Second Reading**                      **Luke 12:13-21**                      **Pew Bible, p.847**

**Sermon**                      **Treasure**                      **Rev. Eric Koenig-Reinke**

**Affirmation of Faith**                      **from The Larger Catechism**

One: What is the sum of the six Commandments which contain our duty to man?

**All: The sum of the six Commandments which contain our duty to man is, to love our neighbor as ourselves, and to do to others what we would have them do to us.**

**Hymn #716**                      **God Whose Giving Knows No Ending**

**Invitation to the Offering**

One: Family of God, the earth is the Lord's and everything in it. In gratitude for God's abundant provision . . . In thanksgiving for God's inconceivable creativity . . . and in awe of God's entrusting of us to nurture the expansive beauty all around us, let us pause to set aside a portion of our time, talent, and treasure for the furthering of God's dreams.

**Offertory**                      **Grace Flows Down**                      **Louie Giglio, David Bell, Rod Padgett**

**Response #765**                      **May the God of Hope God With Us**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

One: Generous Creator, since the beginning you have blessed us with a creation whose beauty inspires wonder and reveals the graces of your own heart. May the gifts we return in thanksgiving uphold this beauty from devastation and preserve the wild spaces where the peace of Christ and solace of the Spirit are so often found. Amen.

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## ***Sealing the Word***

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**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion and Prayers of the People**

**Invitation to the Lord's Table**

One: Let us lift up our hearts, and give thanks to God, for God is good...

**All: God's love is everlasting.**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

One: .... so we continue to sing your praises with all of the saints:

**Sanctus #592                      Holy, Holy, Holy**

**The Lord's Prayer**

One: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**All: Loving God, holy be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

**Words of Institution**

**Breaking the Bread and Pouring of the Cup**

**Sharing of the Bread and Cup**

**Communion Music                      Come, Share the Lord                      arr. John Carter  
   For Everyone Born                      Brian Mann & Shirley Erena Murray**

**Prayer Following Communion**

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***Bearing and Following the Word into the World***

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**Closing Hymn #175                      Seek Ye First**

**Matters of Community**

**Postlude                      I Want to Walk Like a Child of the Light  
   Kathleen Thomerson  
   arr. Mark Hayes**

**Charge and Benediction**

**Resources:**

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# 438 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.  
 2 Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de-mands.  
 3 Noth-ing in my hand I bring; sim - ply to thy cross I cling;  
 4 While I draw this fleet-ing breath, when my eye - lids close in death,

Let the wa - ter and the blood from thy wound-ed side which flowed  
 Could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,  
 na - ked, come to thee for dress, help-less, look to thee for grace;  
 when I soar to worlds un-known, see thee on thy judg-ment throne,

Though scholars discredit the story that this hymn was written when the author found shelter under a large rock during a thunderstorm, the popular appeal of that conjecture perhaps lies in the energy of this plea and the vividness of its imagery drawn from many biblical sources.

TEXT: Augustus M. Toplady, 1776, alt.  
 MUSIC: Thomas Hastings, 1830, alt.

TOPLADY  
 7.7.7.7.7

## FORGIVENESS

be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse from guilt and make me pure.  
 all for sin could not a - tone. Thou must save, and thou a - lone.  
 foul, I to the foun-tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.  
 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

577

# Lord, Have Mercy

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.  
Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Note: Lower voices may hum.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.  
Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text  
MUSIC: Dinah Reindorf, 1987; arr. *Sing! A New Creation*, 2001  
Music © 1987 Dinah Reindorf  
Music Arr. © 2001 Faith Alive Christian Resources

KYRIE ELEISON (Reindorf)

# Glory to God

583

## Gloria, gloria

Capo 3: (Bm) (Em) (A) (D)

Dm Gm C F (chords continue)

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!  
 Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*\*May be sung as a canon.*

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text

MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979

Music © 1979, 1981 Les Presses de Taizé (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.)

GLORIA (Taizé)



# God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716



1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and  
 2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of  
 3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your



end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly  
 Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es  
 grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to



cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn  
 joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly  
 spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in



to you, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall  
 la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,  
 shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,



rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.  
 make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.  
 and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.

TEXT: Robert L. Edwards, 1961, alt.  
 MUSIC: *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; harm. James H. Wood, 1958  
 Text © 1961, ren. 1989 The Hymn Society (admin. Hope Publishing Company)  
 Music Harm. © 1958, ren. 1986 Broadman Press (admin. Music Services)

BEACH SPRING  
 8.7.8.7.D

# May the God of Hope Go with Us 765

## Song of Hope / Canto de esperanza



May the God of hope go with us ev - ery day, fill - ing all our  
¡Dios de la es - pe - ran - za, da - nos go - zo y paz! Al mun - do en



lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of jus - tice speed us  
cri - sis, ha - bla tu ver - dad. Dios de la jus - ti - cia, mán - da -



on our way, bring - ing light and hope to ev - ery land and race.  
nos tu luz, luz y es - pe - ran - za en la os - cu - ri - dad.



Pray - ing, let us work for peace; sing - ing, share our joy with all;  
O - re - mos por la paz, can - te - mos de tu a - mor.



work - ing for a world that's new, faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.  
Lu - che - mos por la paz, fie - les a ti, Se - ñor.

This Argentine folk melody sets Spanish and English words, both created by a PC(USA) missionary with much Latin American experience. The two versions complement each other: the Spanish text offering a prayer to God, and the English one providing inspiration for the singers.

TEXT: Alvin Schutmaat, 1984  
MUSIC: Argentine folk melody

ARGENTINA  
11.11.11 with refrain

SERVICE MUSIC

592

# Holy, Holy, Holy

C Dm7 C Dm7 C F C

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God of pow - er and

Ddim Am7 F C Dm7 C G

God of might! Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

Am7 F Dm7 G Csus C

san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

C Dm7 C Dm7 C F C

Bless - ed, bless - ed, bless - ed is one who comes in the

Ddim Am7 F C Dm7 C G

name of God. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

Am7 F Dm7 G

san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the

Csus C Dm7 G Csus C

high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

JESUS CHRIST: LIFE

175

## Seek Ye First

*Descant*

Al - le - lu - ia,

1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God  
2 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you;  
3 You shall not live by bread a - lone,

al - le - lu - ia,

and its righ - teous - ness,  
seek, and you shall find;  
but by ev - ery word

The author and composer wrote the first stanza and folk-style tune after attending a Bible study on Matthew 6:33. The later stanzas, based respectively on Matthew 7:7 and Matthew 4:4, emerged anonymously. Such meditative singing of scripture is an important form of sung prayer.

TEXT: Stanza 1, Karen Lafferty, 1971, alt.; stanzas 2–3, anon.; Spanish trans. anon.;

Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee

MUSIC: Karen Lafferty, 1971

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LAFFERTY

Irregular

JESUS CHRIST: LIFE

al - le - lu - ia,

and all these things shall be add - ed un - to you.  
 knock, and the door shall be o - pened un - to you.  
 that pro - ceeds from the mouth of God.

al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

SPANISH

- 1 Busca primero el reino de Dios  
 y su perfecta justicia,  
 que lo demás lo añadirá el Señor.  
 Alelu, aleluya.

KOREAN

- 1 너희는 먼저 - 주의 나라와  
 그의를 구하-면  
 이모든것 네게 더하시리라  
 알렐-루 알렐루야