

# St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

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*Building a community of faith unleashed into the world by the love of God.*

Words & Music to Hymns/Responses are included at the end of the bulletin.

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## ***Gathering Around the Word***

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### **Centering Meditation**

Don't take for granted the love this life gives you  
When you get where you're going don't forget to turn back around  
And help the next one in line  
Always stay humble and kind  
Humble and Kind Songwriter: Lori Mckenna.

### **Ringing of the Bell**

### **Welcome**

### **Prelude**

**Be Thou My Vision**

**arr. Larry Shackley**

### **Call to Worship**

One: Welcome all who long to encounter Jesus, the one who loves, tends, sustains, and saves us.

**All: Jesus said, "the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve.**

One: Welcome all who walk the halls of power, who feel pushed and pulled to fight for position, status, and authority.

**All: Jesus said, "the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve."**

One: Welcome all who feel burned out, who have given more than they have day in and day out and long for someone to notice that you, too, need help and support.

**All: Jesus said, "the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve."**

One: Welcome, followers of Christ, who come to serve and show God's abundant love and grace among us.

**All: We come to worship Jesus who shows us that serving is the fruit of our love and being served by one another is the source of our power as the Body of Christ. Amen.**

**Opening Hymn #288**

**Spirit of the Living God (English and Spanish)**

### **Call to Reconciliation**

One: We do not pray to alleviate our guilt, but to express our gratitude to God. For we know all the things we have said and done that we shouldn't, and all those words we could have spoken, all those actions we could have undertaken, but did not. Despite such lives, God still loves us, surrounding us with mercy and hope, waiting to restore us to new life. Please join me, as we pray together saying,

### **Prayer of Confession**

**All: Forgiving God, we look around and see how we fall short in our attempts at faithfulness. We often do things, not because it is what you call us to do, but in hopes of earning points with you. We can become so self-absorbed, we cannot see the suffering and struggles of friends, family, strangers. We are so desperate to get to the front of the line, we push aside the very ones you seek to honor. Forgive us, Holy One. Remind us that the cup we are offered overflows with grace, that the waters of baptism cleanse and make us new, and that Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, is the One who calls us to service, standing by our side, as we seek to be faithful disciples. Amen.**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

One: Believe the good news of the Gospel; in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

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

One: The peace of the Lord always be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

**Response #399**

**God Welcomes All**

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### ***Proclaiming the Word***

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### **Prayer for Illumination**

One: Gracious God, give us humble, teachable, and obedient ears that we may receive what you have revealed, and do what you have commanded.

**First Reading**

**Jeremiah 31:7-9**

**Pew Bible, p.641**

**Anthem**

**Alike and Ever Alike**

**Music by William Miller  
Lyrics by Carl Sandburg**

**Second Reading**

**Mark 10:35-45**

**Pew Bible, p.823**

**Sermon**

**Come to Serve**

**Rev. Eric Koenig-Reinke**

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*Responding to the Word*

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**Statement of Faith**

(From a Brief Statement of Faith)

**All: In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we work to transform the world into a place of justice and peace.**

**Hymn #727**

**Will You Let Me be your Servant**

**Mission Focus**

**Leap of Faith**

**Debbie Steffen**

**Call to Offering**

One: Loving God, we bring our offerings today with grateful hearts. May we give as a testament to our commitment to serve others. Bless these gifts and use them to advance your kingdom. Amen.

**Offertory**

**What Wondrous Love Is This**

arr. Lloyd Larson

**Response #716, v.3**

**God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending**

**“Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred: ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word. Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ’s ageless call, healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.”**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**All: Almighty and merciful God, from whom comes all that is good, we praise you for your mercies, for your goodness that has created us, your grace that has sustained us, your discipline that has corrected us, your patience that has borne with us, and your love that has redeemed us. Help us to love you, and to be thankful for all your gifts by serving you and delighting to do your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**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 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.**

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

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**Closing Hymn #741**

**Guide My Feet**

**Matters of Community**

**Postlude**

**Make Me a Channel of Your Peace**

**Sebastian Temple  
arr. Mark Hayes**

**Charge and Benediction**

**Resources Used:**

Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2024

[Lectionary Liturgies: Liturgy w/communion for October 18, 2015 \(Pentecost 21/Trinity 20/Proper 24/Ordinary 29 - B\)](#)

[Church Leader's Guidebook: Offertory or Dedication Prayers \(worshipladerguide.blogspot.com\)](#)

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Alike and Ever Alike, by William Miller, lyrics by Carl Sandburg.

Hymns of Peace Medley (I've Got Peace Like a River, Wonderful Peace, It Is Well with My Soul) arr. Phillip Keveren, Hal Leonard Corp., 2007.

Be Thou My Vision from Celtic Hymn Settings arr. Larry Shackley, Hope Publishing Co., 2001.

What Wondrous Love Is This, arr. Lloyd Larson, Lorenz Publishing Co., 2018.

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace by Sebastian Temple, arr. Mark Hayes, Hope Publishing Company, 2013.

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## Spirit of the Living God 288

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God; fall a - fresh on me.

## KOREAN

살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서  
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 빛으시고 채우소서  
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## SPANISH

*Santo Espiritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.  
 Santo Espiritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.  
 Tóname, cámbiame, lléname, úsame.  
 Santo Espiritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.*

Both the words and the music of this prayer-song were written by a Presbyterian minister from Tarboro, North Carolina. The words were initially inspired by Jeremiah 18:1-6; a friend helped him set them to music during an evangelistic meeting in Orlando, Florida, where the song was first sung.

TEXT: Daniel Iverson, 1926; Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee; Spanish trans. anon.

MUSIC: Daniel Iverson, 1926

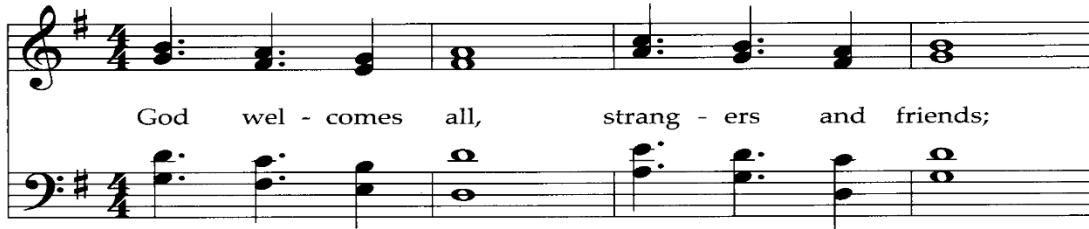
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LIVING GOD  
 Irregular

# God Welcomes All

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God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;



God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

This "short song," as the Iona Community calls it, can be especially effective as a means of setting a welcoming tone for a service (especially an ecumenical one). Like most such songs, it needs to be sung several times, adding and improvising harmony with each repetition.

TEXT: John L. Bell, 2008  
MUSIC: South African song; transcr. John L. Bell, 2008  
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# Will You Let Me Be Your Servant 727

## The Servant Song

1, 6 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me  
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney; we're to -  
 3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the  
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you  
 5 When we sing to God in heav - en, we shall

be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the  
 geth - er on the road. We are here to help each  
 night - time of your fear. I will hold my hand out  
 laugh I'll laugh with you. I will share your joy and  
 find such har - mo - ny, born of all we've known to -

grace to let you be my ser - vant too.  
 oth - er walk the mile and bear the load.  
 to you, speak the peace you long to hear.  
 sor - row till we've seen this jour - ney through.  
 geth - er of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.  
 (repeat stanza 1)

The opening and closing stanza expresses the essence of this folk-style song about the mutuality of servant ministry: those who serve must also be willing to be served. This is what Christ intended when he commanded the disciples to "wash one another's feet" (John 13:14).



# Guide My Feet

741

1 Guide my feet while I run this race;  
(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race;  
(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race, for I

don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

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| 2 Hold my hand ...   | 5 Search my heart ... |
| 3 Stand by me ...    | 6 Guide my feet ...   |
| 4 I'm your child ... |                       |

This African American spiritual is based on the imagery of "the race that is set before us" in Hebrews 12:1-2. Its call-and-response structure allows for the improvisation and addition of stanzas related to an athletic metaphor that is as vivid today as it was centuries ago.