

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



“Jacob Wrestling with God”

By Jack Baumgartner, 2011

October 16, 2022

19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 16, 2022

10:30 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Liebster Jesu"

J.S. BACH

"Be still and know that I am God."

Psalm 46:10

(Please use this time to prepare for worship in silence.)

WORDS OF WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

PASSING THE PEACE *"...I was a stranger and you welcomed me."*

Matthew 25:35b

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

(The people may greet each other in the spirit of Christ.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

We gather in anticipation.

We seek an encounter with God, the Creator of all that is.

We are aware God comes among us when we least expect it,

and invites us to wrestle with our faith, our questions and our doubts.

We are grateful for a God who richly blesses us,

and calls us each by name.

This is the day the Lord has made;

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 395

"Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"

LIEBSTER JESU

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

In spite of our best efforts to live faithfully, we fall short of what God intends for us. Because God has already promised to be merciful, we dare to tell the truth about our lives. In humility and trust, let us confess our sin:

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your

likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Silent Confession

*KYRIE

**Lord, have mercy,
Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

In the waters of baptism, we have died with Christ and we have been raised by him to new life. Nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. **In Christ we are forgiven and set free to live in praise and thanksgiving! Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.**

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional) (Page 35, *Glory to God Hymnal*)
SINGING WITH THE CHILDREN: "Jesus Loves Me" (Hymn 188)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Liturgist

THE READING FROM HEBREW TESTAMENT: Genesis 32:22-31

The Word of God. The Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM

THE GOSPEL READING: Luke 18:1-8

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

"Tenacity"

THE RESPONSE

*HYMN 79

"Light Dawns on a Weary World"

TEMPLE OF PEACE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Responsive)

A Declaration of Faith

We acknowledge one God alone, whose demands on us are absolute,
whose help for us is sufficient.

That One is the Lord, whom we worship, serve, and love.

We know that God is not confined to the story we can tell.

The story itself tells us God works the divine, sovereign will among all peoples of the earth.

We believe God works beyond our imagining throughout the universe.

We must not set our ultimate reliance on any other help.

We must not yield unconditional obedience to any other power.

We must not love anyone or anything more than we love God.

To worship God is highest joy. To serve God is perfect freedom.

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"Jordan"

SACRED HARP

*DOXOLOGY/Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (607)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ,
all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

*PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

THE SENDING

*HYMN 465

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

CONVERSE

*COVENANT OF THE CONGREGATION (Unison)

**Let us go forth into the world in peace, have courage, hold on to what
is good, return to no person evil for evil, strengthen the fainthearted,
support the weak, help the suffering, honor all persons, love and serve the
Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"All Christians Now Rejoice"

D. BUXTEHUDE

*Those who are able, please stand.

This week at St. Andrews

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| <p>Today 9:00 Bible Study 10:30 Worship 11:45 Coffee Hour 11:45 Silent Auction 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group 6:00 Benzie Chorus Rehearsal</p> <p>Monday, October 17 3:30 BACN Board Mtg</p> <p>Tuesday, October 18 1:00 PW– Talk by Dave Milarch in Copemish</p> | <p>Wednesday, October 19 10:00 Knitting Group 1:00 Centering Prayer 2:00 Session Mtg 4:30 Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>Thursday, October 20 10:30 Class– Journeys through Revelation 4:30 Mission Mtg</p> <p>Friday, October 21 9:00 Men’s Breakfast</p> <p>Sunday, October 23 9:00 Bible Study 10:30 Worship 11:45 Coffee Hour 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group 6:00 Benzie Chorus Rehearsal</p> |
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*Please Join Us for an Open House
As we share with excitement*

BACN’s New Facility!
2804 Benzie Highway, Benzonia, MI 49616

*Saturday, October 22, 2022
10 a.m. till 2 p.m.*

Official Ribbon Cutting and Remarks at 10:30 a.m.

*“Help the life of one person, and you help the community.”
(Steven Sawalich)*

