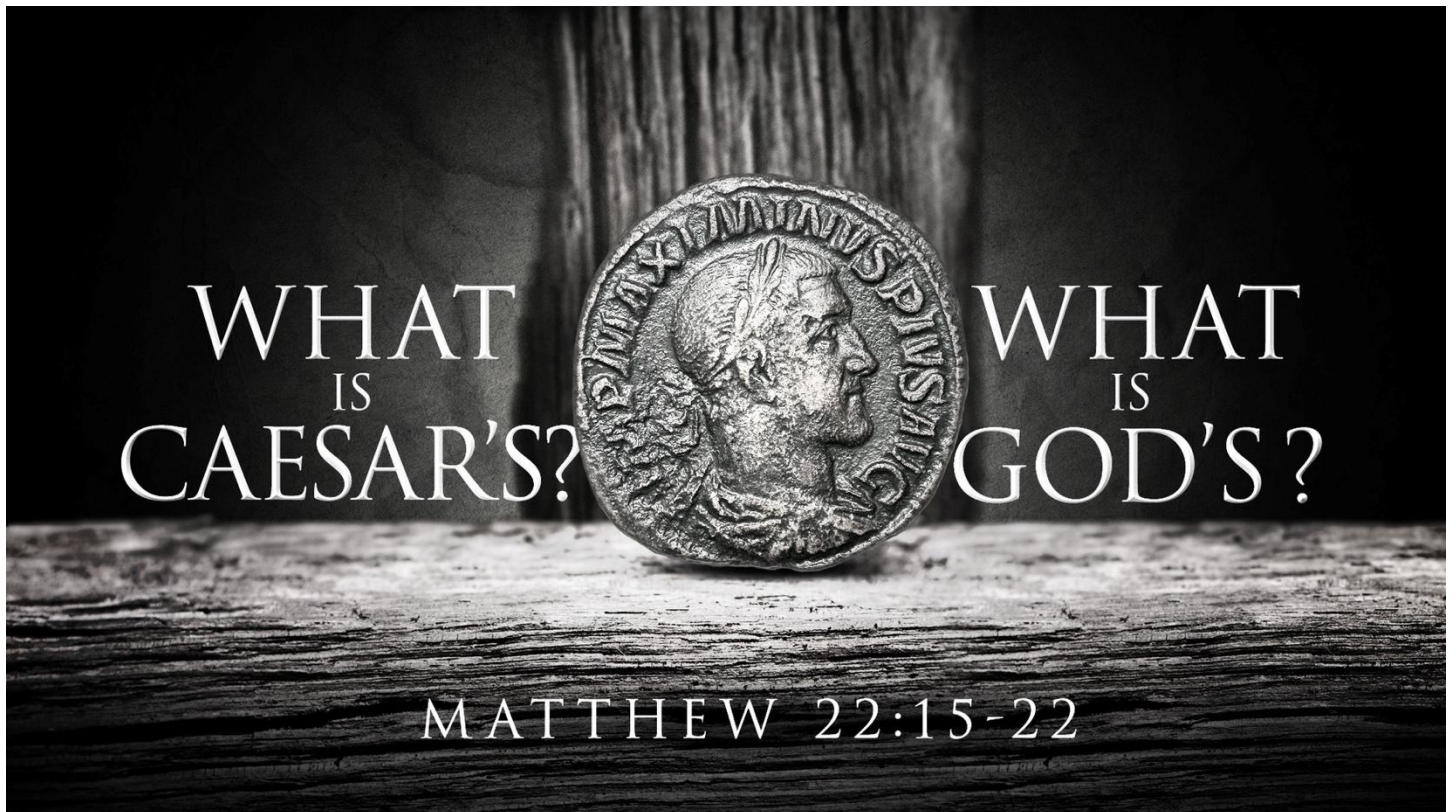


St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



October 18, 2026

21st Sunday after Pentecost

October 18, 2026

10:30 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Gather Us In"

Haugen/Cotter

"Be still and know that I am God."

Psalm 46:10

(Please see the insert for words to meditate on before worship.)

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.)

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

"Jesus came to his own people, and his own people did not welcome him."

**"Listen! I stand at the door and knock; if you hear my voice and open the door,
I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me."**

Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest, stay with us. Bring to our worship your poverty,

that, sharing it, we may also share your joy.

Bring to our worship your understanding of us,

that we may be freed to learn more of you.

Bring to our worship all those who hurry and hesitate toward you,

that we may meet you as the friend and savior of all.

With friend, with stranger, with neighbor, and the well-known ones, be among us this day,

For the door of our house we open and the doors of our hearts we leave ajar.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 666

"O Splendor of God's Glory Bright"

PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

God does not regard us with partiality, but with the grace of Christ Jesus deals with each of us according to our need. With gratitude for this amazing grace, let us confess our sin. Let us pray:

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world.

Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silent Confession

*KYRIE

Lord, have mercy,

Christ, have mercy,

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice! Let the sea roar with laughter, the fields shout in celebration, and the forests sing with joy! **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen.**

*RESPONSE Hymn 39 (Verse 3)

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning, new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

(Page 35, *Glory to God Hymnal*)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE HEBREW TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 33:12-23

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM

"We All Are One"

THE GOSPEL READING: Matthew 22:15-22

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

"Both/And"

THE RESPONSE

*HYMN 716

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

BEACH SPRING

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(Adapted from the Brief Statement of Faith)

In life and death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

In sovereign love, God created the world good,
acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation,
and makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God, was crucified,
and raised from the dead, delivering us from death to life eternal.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church.

**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 watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, Come, Lord Jesus!**

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken"

Austrian Hymn by Haydn

DOXOLOGY/Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (606)

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

THE SENDING

*HYMN 541

"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

RANDOLPH

*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 Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Holden/Raney



PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Anne Hébert, Pastor

Jane Elzerman, Liturgist

Al and Bonnie Garbrecht, Ushers

Cheryl and Fred Taylor, Caroline Nielsen Greeters

Diane Pharr, Online Digital Greeter

Michael Beery, Music Director

Polly Mauer, Pianist

Words for Meditation

"Gather Us In"

Here in this place new light is streaming
Now is the darkness vanished away
See in this space our fears and our dreamings
Brought here to you in the light of this day
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken
Gather us in, the blind and the lame
Call to us now and we shall awaken
We shall arise at the sound of our name
We are the young, our lives are a mystery
We are the old who yearn for your face
We have been sung throughout all of history
Called to be light to the whole human race
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty
Gather us in, the proud and the strong
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly
Give us the courage to enter the song
Here we will take the wine and the water
Here we will take the bread of new birth
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters
Call us anew to be salt for the earth
Give us to drink the wine of compassion
Give us to eat the bread that is you
Nourish us well and teach us to fashion
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true
Not in the dark of buildings confining
Not in some heaven light years away
But here in this place the new light is shining
Now is the kingdom, now is the day
Gather us in and hold us forever
Gather us in and make us your own
Gather us in, all peoples together
Fire of love in our flesh and our bones
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The FERNS are calling to ALL of their friends:
The Sheafors are 'off' again!

need to be hydrated - Shaken, watered and sprayed.

Then our debris cleaned up before you leave.
15 minutes to an hour are all it takes. Just once a week.

From November 8 - December 5th

And again from

December 20th - January 2nd.

Please contact Pat at psheafor@gmail.com or call: 231-399-0349.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

Today

9:00 Sunday Bible Study
10:30 Worship
11:30 Coffee Hour
4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group

Monday, October 19

3:30 Peace and Justice Mtg

Tuesday, October 20

1:00 PW Mtg— Judy Ross' house
2:00 Finance Mtg

Wednesday, October 21

10:00 Knitting Group
12:30 Centering Prayer
1:30 Special Session Mtg
2:30 Arts on the Hill Mtg
4:00 Choir Rehearsal
6:30 Readers Theater Rehearsal

Thursday, October 22

2:00 "I Am" Class

Friday, October 23

9:00 Men's Breakfast at Platte River Inn

Saturday, October 24

4:00 Memorial Service for Stan Otto

Sunday, October 25

9:00 Sunday Bible Study
10:30 Worship
11:30 Coffee Hour
3:30 Trunk or Treat



PRAYER LIST

MILITARY: All of our US Military deployed and their families.

INTERNATIONAL PEACEMAKERS :

Rev. Jerome Bizimana & the people of Rwanda
Rev. Butros Zaour & family & Majd Lahham, Damascus, Syria

MISSION CO-WORKERS:

Mark Adams & Miriam Maldonado Escobar, & their children: Cindy Yessenia, Anna Flor & Nathan— Frontera de Cristo; Douglas AZ

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Bob Nelson	The Navin Family
Tim Bergstrom	Tim, Sarah, Tilly and Family
John Warren Robey	Casey Beal and Family
Kristin Lehoullier	Peter Navin
Suzie Anderson	Linda Koch
Vickie Smith	Evelyn Sengelaub
Sara Crane	Laura and Bryan Sheffield
Sara Bruce	Gwen Baarstad
Olivia Dann	Dottie Patterson
Richard Hug	John Sappington
Jessica Gardner	Chris (Harris) Bint
Dave Maxton	Marjorie Groenwald



The next meeting of PW will be
Tuesday, October 20, 2026, 1pm
at Judy Ross' home
1111 Gorham Ct.
Beulah, MI

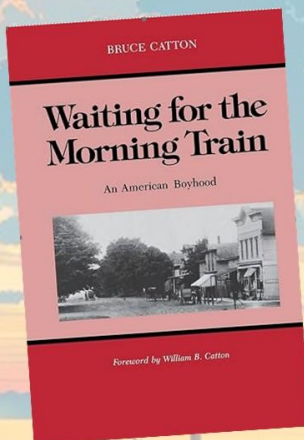
We will have Seasonal Appetizers with Chef Hallet

St. Andrews Readers' Theater presents:

“WAITING FOR THE EVENING TRAIN”

A program based on Bruce Catton's book "Waiting for the Morning Train" and
James Thurber's "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty."

"Youth waits for the morning train and old age waits for the night train,
both bound for an unknown destination." - Bruce Catton



Tuesday, October 27, 2026

7:00pm

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8190 Lincoln Rd.

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