

# St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



October 22, 2023

# 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 22, 2023

10:30 A.M.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### **THE GATHERING**

PRELUDE

"Open My Eyes That I May See"

SCOTT

"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 you 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***

TIME WITH OUR YOUNGEST DISCIPLES

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

(Page 35, *Glory to God Hymnal*)

SINGING WITH THE CHILDREN: "Jesus Loves Me"

(Hymn 188)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE HEBREW TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 33:12-23

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

THE GOSPEL READING: Matthew 22:15-22

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

"ODAT. . . Together"

***THE RESPONSE***

\*HYMN 716

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

BEACH SPRING

THE REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*VIRGINIA GARDNER*

PRESENTATION

PROFESSION OF FAITH

RENUNCIATIONS

COVENANT OF COMMITMENT OF NEW MEMBERS

You have publicly professed your faith. Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, share in its worship and ministry through your prayers and gifts, your study and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

**I will, with God's help.**

COVENANT OF COMMITMENT OF THE CONGREGATION

Will you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ and of the St. Andrews Presbyterian Church of Beulah, Michigan, promise to love and care for Virginia to welcome her into the fellowship of this church family; to teach her and to learn from her and, through the power of the Holy Spirit, increase her faith, confirm her hope, and encourage her in love?

**We will, with God's help.**

PRAYER

WELCOME (Congregation Unison)

**You come to us as a member of the one holy catholic church, into which you were baptized, and by which you have been nurtured. We are one with each other, sisters and brothers in the family of God. We rejoice in the God given gifts you bring to Christ's Church and to us. Welcome to this congregation, its worship and ministry.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"How Great Thou Art"

HINE

\*DOXOLOGY/Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (Hymn 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 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

"Forever (with A Mighty Fortress)"

arr. SCHRADER

\*Those who are able, please stand.

This week at St. Andrews:

<p><b>Today</b> 9:00 Bible Study 10:30 Worship 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group</p> <p><b>Wednesday, October 25</b> 1:00 Centering Prayer Group 4:30 Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>Friday, October 27</b> 9:00 Men's Breakfast-Platte River Inn</p> <p><b>Sunday, October 29</b> 9:00 Bible Study 10:30 Worship 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group</p>
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## Organ Exploration

Tim Quist would like to invite you to two sessions about the organ for Adult Sunday School. The first will be an exploration of general information about the organ; what it is, how it works, what am I listening to?

The second session will explore the use of the organ in worship. Sight and sound demonstrations will show the types of service music, how they help create an atmosphere of worship, and most importantly, how the organ inspires singing.

Sunday, November 5 and November 12 at 9:00am (Adult Sunday School).  
All are welcome.

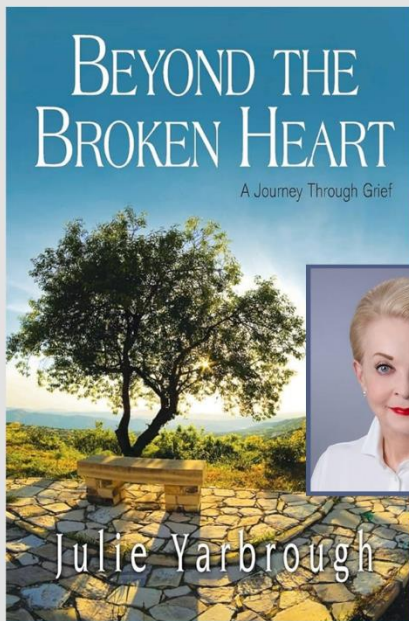
**Costumes Candy Free Hot Dog Dinner Refreshments**

**Sunday**  
**OCT**  
**29**  
**4:00-**  
**5:30pm**

A graphic of a teal car with its trunk open, filled with Halloween-themed items like a jack-o'-lantern, a skull, and candy. The text "TRUNK -OR- TREAT" is written in large, stylized letters across the trunk. A small orange sign on the front of the car says "STANDREWS".

**STANDREWS**

**St. Andrews Presbyterian Church 8190 Lincoln Rd. Beulah, MI**



# Grief Group

BEYOND THE BROKEN HEART

**MONDAYS AT 2PM**

**NOV 6, 13, 20, 27**

**DEC 4**

**JAN 8, 15, 22, 29**

Join us for a Grief Group Class based on the inspirational book "Beyond the Broken Heart" by Julie Yarbrough, where healing, hope, and community come together to support you on your grief journey. Register on our website or in the Gathering Space.

Register by October 29th to receive a free copy of the book.

**December 9, 2023**

## **Manitou Winds Concert**

Now celebrating its ninth season, *Winter Songs & Carols* is our annual concert exploring the holidays and all the many moods of winter. More than a concert filled with holiday-themed music, this is an invitation to celebrate the entire season of winter!

This year we're excited to be joined by special guest soloist [Emily Curtin Culler](#), soprano, plus the voices of the *St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Choir* and many talented community members under the direction of [Michael Beery](#). Together we'll unveil four brand-new arrangements by [Jason McKinney](#) for full choir featuring Manitou Winds!

This festive evening of wintry originals, traditional carols, and holiday favorites interspersed with inspiring poetry is a wonderful way to begin your holiday season.

## Dine Out for



**Wednesday, October 25, 5-7pm**

Geno's Sports Bar & Grill  
14848 Thompson Ave., Thompsonville



**Wednesday, October 25, 4:30-9pm**

The Manitou Restaurant  
4349 Scenic Hwy (M-22), Honor  
Reservations Required. Call 231-882-4761



**Thursday, November 9, 3-8pm**

Iron Fish Distillery  
14234 Dzuibankek Rd., Thompsonville