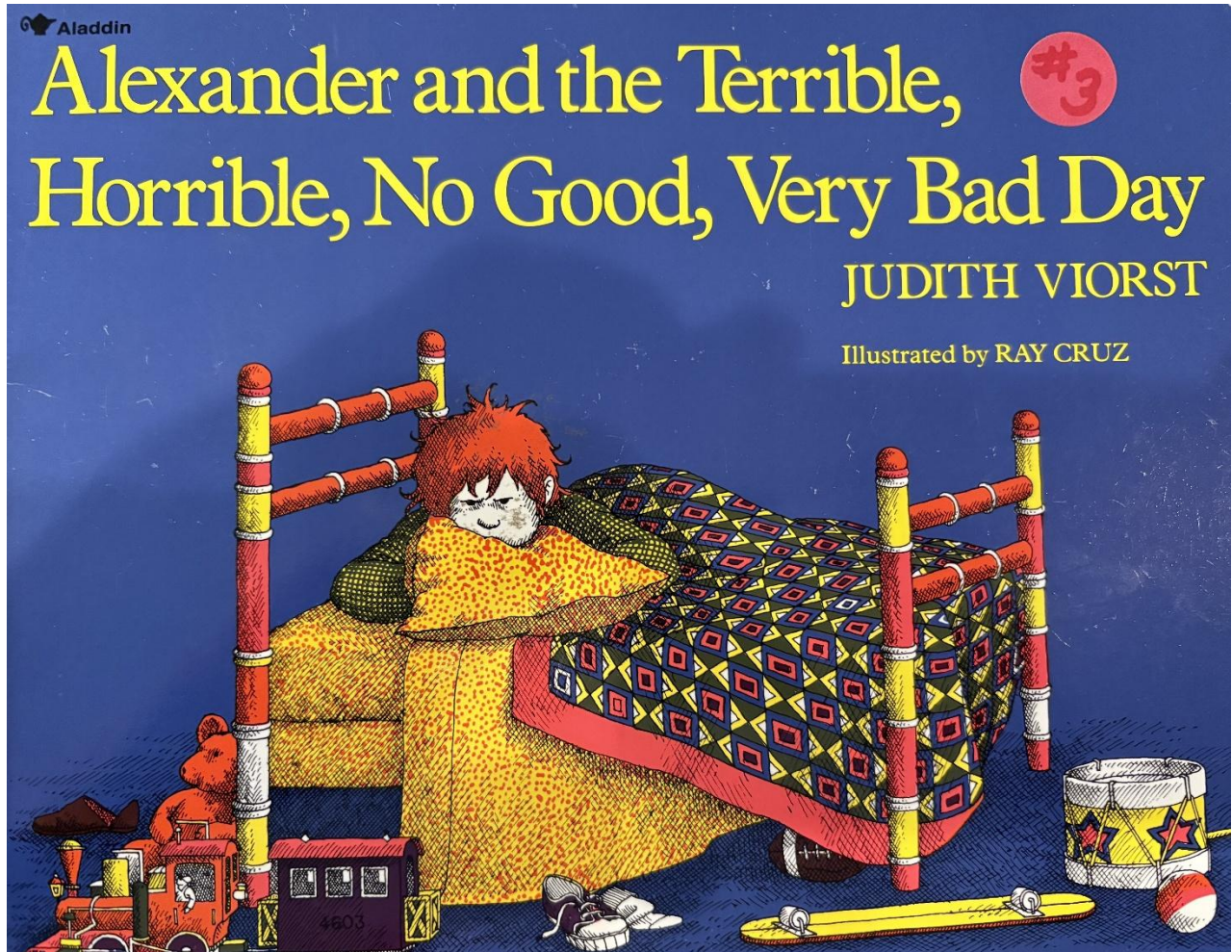


# St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



October 26, 2025

20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

October 26 2025

10:30 A.M.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

## THE GATHERING

## PRELUDE

"It is Well with My Soul"  
*"Be still and know that I am God."*

Bliss/Raney  
*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.)

## CHORAL INTROIT

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Ye, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.

PEOPLE: **FOR THOU ART WITH ME.**

Leader: Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

PEOPLE: **THOU PREPAREST A TABLE BEFORE ME IN THE PRESENCE OF MY ENEMIES. MY CUP RUNNETH OVER.**

Leader: Even in the darkest valley, even when crops fail and even when the world seems lost in darkness.

PEOPLE: **OUR GOD JOURNEYS WITH US. WE ARE NOT AFRAID. THANKS BE TO GOD.**

## OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN OF PRAISE:

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"  
(See Insert)

\*Prayer of Confession

God of grace, we pause in our praise to acknowledge our sins and shortcomings, the times we have missed the mark and fallen short of your hopes for us. Forgive us, we pray, and grant us the courage to live in the light of your Word and in the spirit of Christ. Grant us your mercy and your peace. Amen.

## Silent Confession

\*KYRIE

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

## Words of assurance

The God who comes to us in every phase of life, offers steadfast love and redeeming power. **In the name of Jesus, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Amen.**

## ***THE WORD***

CHILDREN'S TIME

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

(Page 35, *Glory to God Hymnal*)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Liturgist

THE GOSPEL READING: Luke 18:9-14

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE EPISTLE READING: II Corinthians 12: 1-12

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

CHORAL ANTHEM

"The Church's One Foundation"

SERMON

"The Year of the Locust"  
Joel 1:1-4, 11-12, 2:12-14, 23-29

## ***THE RESPONSE***

\*HYMN 840 "When Peace Like a River"

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) from Romans 8

**For we consider the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing to the glory that will be revealed to us. We know that God works in all things for good with those who love him. In all these things, we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither life nor death, things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth nor anything else in all creation can separate us from the love of God which is ours in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.**

GLORIA PATRI (581)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"Be Still, My Soul"

Finlandia/Sibelius

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

\*PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

## ***THE SENDING***

\*HYMN OF SENDING: Hymn number 8, "Eternal Father Strong to Save."

\*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

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"I've Got Peace Like a River"

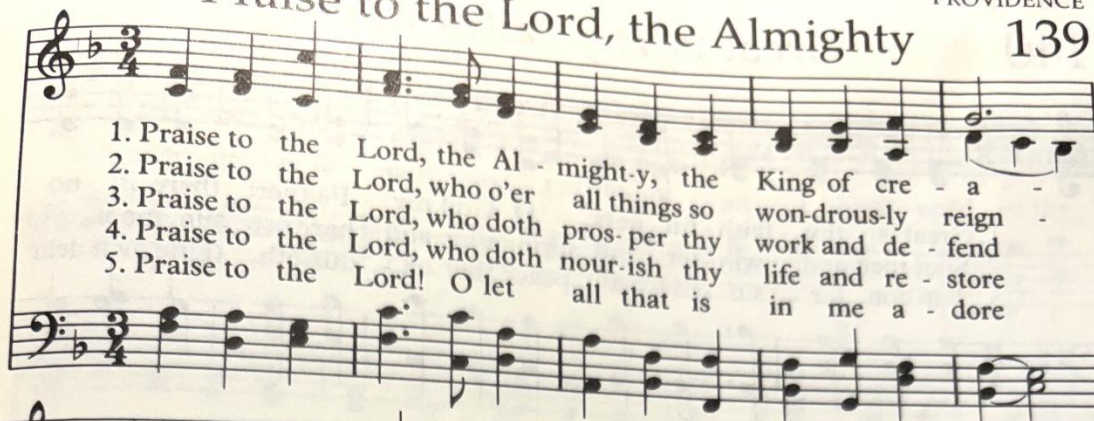
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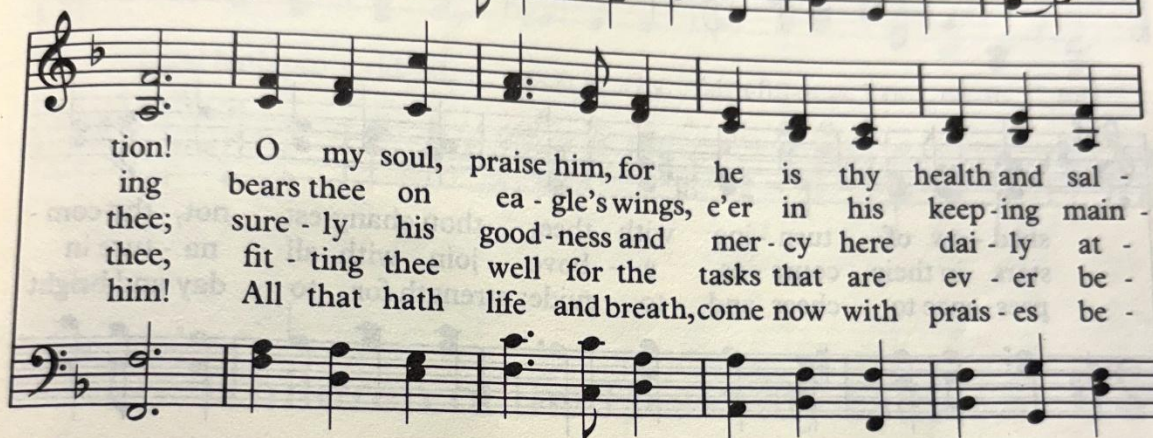
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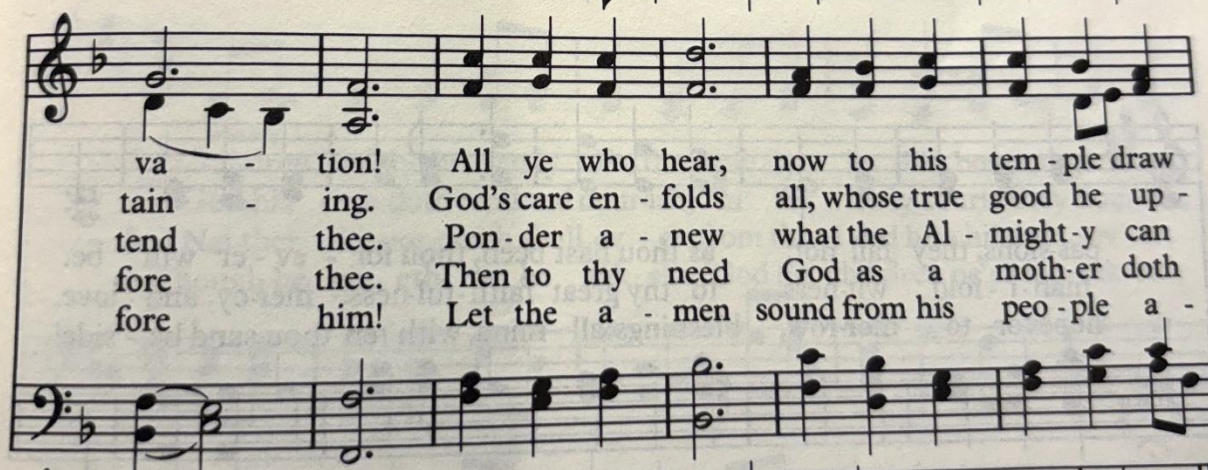
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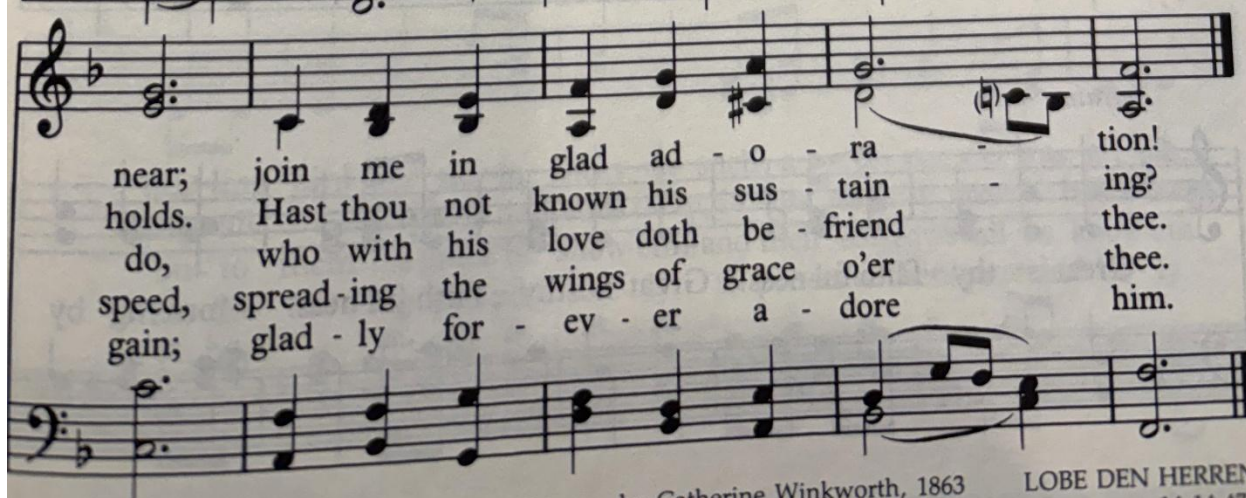
1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might-y, the King of cre - a -  
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous-ly reign -  
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros-per thy work and de - fend  
 4. Praise to the Lord, who doth nour-ish thy life and re - store  
 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore



tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and sal -  
 ing bears thee on ea - gle's wings, e'er in his keep-ing main -  
 thee; sure - ly his good-ness and mer-cy here dai - ly at -  
 thee, fit - ting thee well for the tasks that are ev - er be -  
 him! All that hath life and breath, come now with prais - es be -



va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his tem - ple draw  
 tain - ing. God's care en - folds all, whose true good he up -  
 tend thee. Pon - der a - new what the Al - might-y can  
 fore thee. Then to thy need God as a moth - er doth  
 fore him! Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a -



near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
 holds. Hast thou not known his sus - tain - ing?  
 do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.  
 speed, spread - ing the wings of grace o'er thee.  
 gain; glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him.

by Catherine Winkworth, 1863

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## PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Rev. John Harnish, Guest Pastor  
Dianne Stephenson, Liturgist  
March Dye, Marty Havlin, Ushers  
Sue and Terry Smith, Susie Hammer, Greeters  
Diane Pharr, On-line Digital Greeter  
Michael Beery, Music Director  
Polly Mauer, Pianist

### *OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY*

#### **Today**

9:00 Adult Ed Bible Study  
10:30 Worship  
11:30 Coffee Hour  
4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group  
4:00 Trunk or Treat



#### **Monday, October 27**

2:00 Grief Group—Cancelled this week

#### **Wednesday, October 29**

12:30 Centering Prayer Group  
4:00 Choir Rehearsal

#### **Thursday, October 30**

2:00 Adult Ed—"Tending the Wild Garden"

#### **Friday, October 31**

9:00 Men's Breakfast @ Platte River Inn

#### **Sunday, November 2**

9:00 Adult Ed Bible Study  
10:30 Worship—All Saints Day  
11:30 Coffee Hour  
4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group

### *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

Efi Latsoudi & Lesvos Solidarity, Greece

#### **MEMBERS AND FRIENDS**

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|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Bob Nelson         | The Navin Family             |
| Tim Bergstrom      | Tim, Sarah, Tilly and Family |
| Nathan Carrick     | Cathy Mosher                 |
| Britta Baarstad    | Linda Koch                   |
| Joel Hough         | Evelyn Sengelaub             |
| John Warren Robey  | Laura and Bryan Sheffield    |
| Kristin Lehoullier | Martha Campbell              |
| Joan Wathern       | Gwen Baarstad                |
| Suzie Anderson     | Marcia Korwin                |
| Tamara Cas         | Dottie Patterson             |
| Judy Ross          | Austen Rauch                 |
| Jill Mendenhall    |                              |



# TODAY



## TRUNK *or* TREAT

*Sunday*  
**OCTOBER 26th**  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

**COSTUMES** **CANDY**  
**FREE HOT DOG DINNER** **REFRESHMENTS**

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