

# St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



October 29, 2023

# 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 29, 2023

10:30 A.M.

*Astonish a mean world with your acts of kindness.  
Continue to allow humor to lighten the burden of your tender hearts.*

Maya Angelou

## **THE GATHERING**

### PRELUDE

*"Be still and know that I am God."*  
(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

Liturgist

We have been called to walk the faithful road and to choose the way of God's justice.  
**We are here because we believe strongly that our God is good, and that we live in that goodness.**  
Let us follow Christ and share with others the goodness we have found in Christ.  
**Let us rise up in praise and thanksgiving!**

### OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN 32

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

ELLACOMBE

### \*CONFESSION AND PARDON

Even when we have been too busy to notice, God has been constantly loving us and encouraging us to grow in the light of God's love. Let us trust God with our deepest confession.

**Ever loving God, you have given us life itself and have asked us to be life-giving in your name. There are people in our very presence who are left out of our thoughts and prayers because our minds and hearts are too filled with all the things that make us feel self-satisfied. People on our streets go hungry**

**because we make sure we are full before even thinking about them. God, give us the purpose that you gave to people of Jesus' time to be faithful disciples in your care. Through Christ we pray. Amen.**

Silent Confession

\*KYRIE

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

God has always been there for us, loving us and calling us to be life-giving people. Despite our sins, we are forgiven.

**Therefore, we are restored to new life! And we are grateful!**

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)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostle's Creed (Unison)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*GLORIA PATRI (581)

\*HYMN 611

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

HYMN TO JOY

### ***THE WORD***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE HEBREW TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 1

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

\*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 GOSPEL READING: John 9:1-12

ANTHEM

SERMON

"One Thing I Know"

\*HYMN 66

"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

PENTECOST

***THE SENDING***

\*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

\*Those who are able, please stand.

This week at St. Andrews:

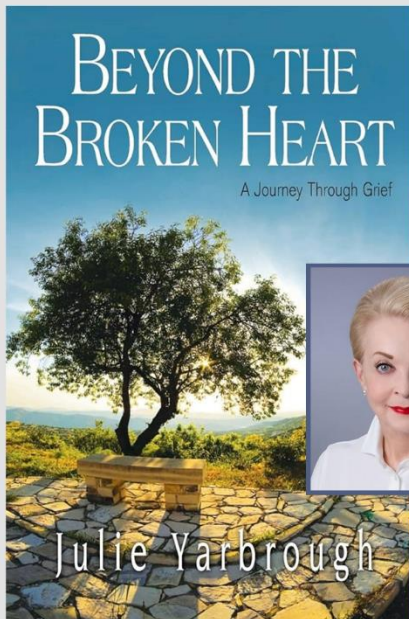
<p><b>Today</b> 9:00 Bible Study 10:30 Worship 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group</p> <p><b>Wednesday, Nov. 1</b> 10:00 Knitting Group 1:00 Centering Prayer Group 4:30 Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>Friday, Nov. 3</b> 9:00 Men's Breakfast-Platte River Inn</p> <p><b>Sunday, Nov. 5</b> 9:00 Bible Study - Tim Quist and the Organ 10:30 Worship 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group</p>
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**When you dine at one of these restaurants, they'll kindly give 10% of their sales to BACN.**

**Thursday, November 9, 3-8PM**  
Iron Fish Distillery  
14234 Dzuibankek Rd., Thompsonville

**Sunday, December 3, 4-8PM**  
The Hotel Frankfort  
231 Main St., Frankfort  
Reservations Requires. Call 231-352-8090



# 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.

### **SAVE THE DATE:**

***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.

