## St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



### 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

June 1, 2025 10:30 A.M.

#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### THE GATHERING

PRELUDE "Meditation" (Symphony I)

Widor

"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

MINUTE FOR MISSION: Endowment

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 (Adapted from Psalm 97)

Liturgist

God reigns! Let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

The heavens proclaim God's righteousness; and all the peoples behold God's glory.

Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name!

OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN 394

"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

#### \*CONFESSION AND PARDON

God is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Let us approach God with confidence that our confession will be heard. Let us pray:

O God, you are like a weaver in our lives. Out of the expanding energy of creation you have spun each of us into a unique, colorful strand with our own special hue and texture; you have woven us together into a single family that blankets the globe. We admit that we have torn the fabric of your design. We have allowed ourselves to be bound by the narrow contexts of race, age, gender and ideology. Open our hearts, so that we may once again celebrate the wonder of the human fabric and the dignity of all. In the name of Christ, who lived and died "that all may be one." Amen.

Silent Confession

\*KYRIE

Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us. Neither sin nor doubt nor death, nor anything else in all creation can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ. This is good news! **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.** 

#### THE WORD

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

(Page 35, Glory to God Hymnal)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE GOSPEL READING: John 17:20-26

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHORAL ANTHEM

THE READING FROM THE BOOK OF REVELATION: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Come, Lord Jesus!"

#### THE RESPONSE

\*HYMN 360 "Christ Is Coming!" UNSER HERRSCHER

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (Unison)

(From the *Confession of 1967: 9.54-55*)

Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ, such as a heavenly city, the household of God, a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast, and an unending day culminate in the image of the kingdom. The kingdom represents God's triumph over all that resists the divine will and disrupts God's creation. Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in all people and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption. With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God. Amen.

\*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "Canzona" Peeters

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

#### The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

#### **Invitation to the Table**

#### The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

(Responsive, Congregation please read **bold** print.)
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** 

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**Blessed are you strong and faithful God...we sing the ageless hymn of your glory:

<sup>\*</sup>PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the Lord's name. Hosanna in the highest.

All holy God...Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Holy God, let your Holy Spirit move in power over us... Amen.

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of the Meal

**Communion Hymn 529** "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"

**UNION SEMINARY** 

**The Prayer After Communion** (Unison)

O God, through this bread and cup you have made us one with you and with each other. May the unity we find at this table be a gift that we carry out into your suffering and divided world. Help us find strength in knowing that you, the God of peace, will always be with us. Amen.

#### THE SENDING

\*HYMN 418

"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"

**SOFTLY AND TENDERLY** 

\*COVENANT OF THE CONGREGATION

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

The blessing of the eternal, triune God –
Alpha and Omega,
first and last,
beginning and end –
be with you all. **Alleluia!**Come, Lord Jesus! **Amen.** 

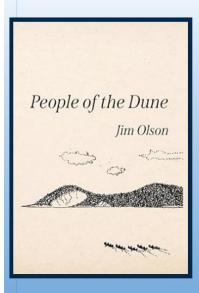
POSTLUDE

Voluntary on "Westminster Abbey"

Callahan

#### PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

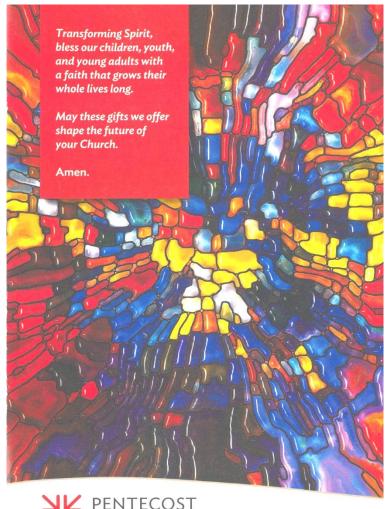
The Rev. Dr. Anne Hébert, Pastor
Steve Grace, Liturgist
Dennis and Sally Keeney, Ushers
Susie Hammer, Jerry Heiman, March Dye, Greeters
Judy Ross, Jill Claybour, Communion Preparers
Michael Beery, Music Director
Laurence Smith, Guest Organist



Join us for a Book Discussion

Jim Olson will lead a discussion on his recently published nonfiction book, "People of the Dune".

When: Tuesday, June 3, 7:00 P.M. St. Andrews Presbyterian Church 8190 Lineoln Rd. Beulah, M9.





We call it STAMP, our St Andrews Mission Project that has now made a difference in the lives of over 100 families in our area! This year we are working at 14 to 15 sites to make these homes **safer**, **drier**, **warmer!** 

# WHEN DO WE WORK? Any day from June 16-20

#### HOW CAN I HELP?

We need workers to do construction and non-construction projects at each site. We also need workers at the church to run errands, make deliveries, cook breakfast, etc. There are sign-up sheets in the Gathering Space.

CAN I HELP DONATE TO THE PROJECT? You better believe it! Our budget is \$17,000.

> 10 Windows and Casings at \$400 each 8 - 10 Doors at \$400 each Wheel Chair Ramps at \$1500+ each



Please write your check to St. Andrews with STAMP in the memo line.



### TRAVERSE CITY READERS THEATER

Come to a performance of the Traverse City Readers Theater! TCRT nembers, with director, Joan Panter, will present a variety of playlets and short skits for your viewing pleasure.

And!! (Only) if you are interested, you might have a chance to "cold read" a part in a short play yourself!

Date: Monday, June 23 at 7:00 PM. Where: Edwards Hall

Who's Invited: All the men and women of

St. Andrews.

Further Info: Contact Gail Brandt -231-620-8089



Save the Date: June 22, 2025

Celebrating 30 years of St. Andrews' congregation worshiping together and 25 years of our beautiful Sanctuary. There will be a special service, recognizing the Charter Members and a reception to follow. Be sure to join us for the joyous occasion.