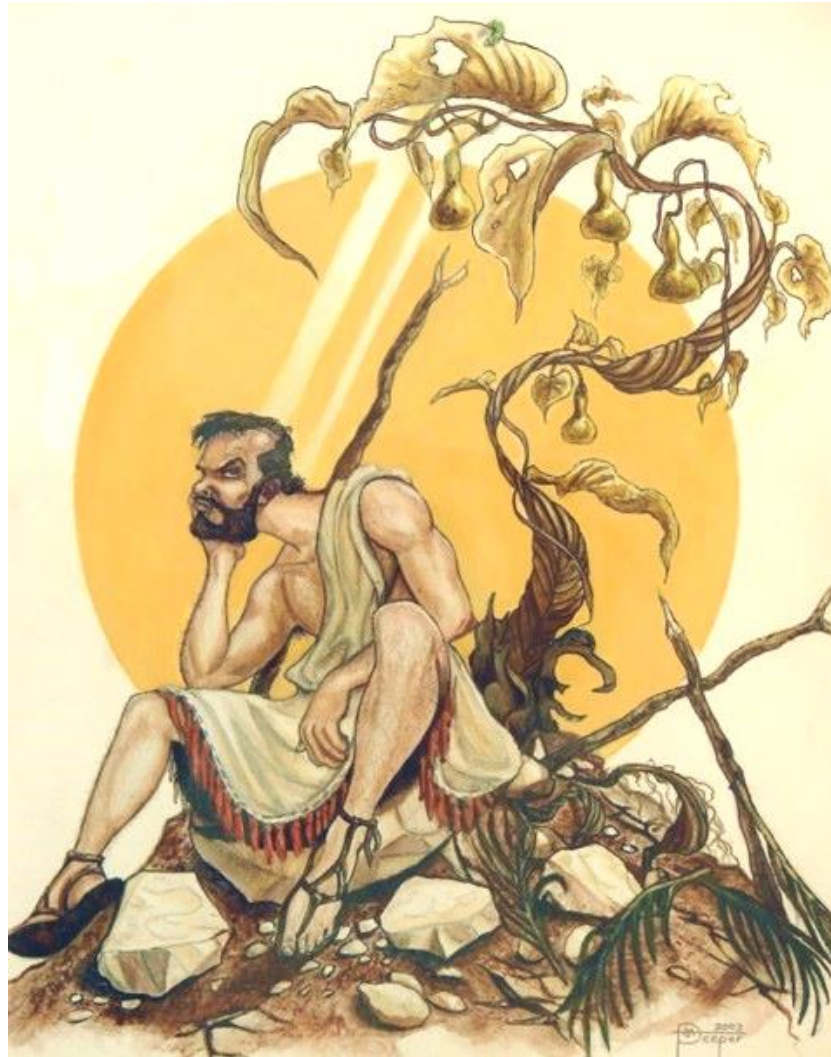


St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



July 2, 2023

5th Sunday after Pentecost

July 2, 2023

10:30 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Spirit of God, Descend Upon Our Hearts"

ALICE JORDAN

"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

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

God's call comes to each of us.

We are called to love and to serve in the name and spirit of Christ.

God's grace extends to all of us.

God's amazing love touches each of us.

For God so love the world, all the world, every nation, that He gave his only begotten Son.

We gather in response to God's gracious call and God's amazing love.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE #331

"God of the Ages"

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

As grateful people, we gather in prayer for our nation and our place in God's incredible world.

O Gracious God, we give you thanks for this good land, for spacious skies and amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesty above the fruited

plain. You have indeed shed your grace upon us. In response, we humbly confess our national sins and shortcomings. When we have not lived up to our vision, when we have not welcomed the tired and poor, the huddled masses yearning to breathe free, when we have allowed selfish pride to close our eyes to the wonder of your worldwide family, grant us mercy, forgive us and make us whole. Amen.

Silent Confession

*KYRIE

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

The grace of God is offered to all and God's mercy never ends. **In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed. Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.**

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 NEW TESTAMENT READING: Revelation 7:9-17

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM "Battle Hymn of the Republic"

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Book of Jonah

SERMON "In the Belly of a Fish or the Heart of a Prophet?"

THE RESPONSE

*HYMN #340 "This is My Song"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (Apostles' Creed)

With the church throughout the ages and in every place, we witness to our faith:

**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 (Hymn 581)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"Claudin de Semisy"

*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 OF SENDING #435 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

*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

"Chant Heroique"

GORDON YOUNG

*Those who are able, please stand.

This Week at St. Andrews:

Today

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

Tuesday, July 4th

Church Office Closed



Wednesday, July 5

- 10:00 Knitting Group
- 10:00 STAMP Wrap-up Mtg
- 1:00 Centering Prayer Group
- 4:30 Choir Rehearsal

Friday, July 7

- 9:00 Men's Breakfast
- 3:00 Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, July 8

- 4:00 Wedding

Sunday, July 2

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

Creation Care

Presented by the Adult Education Ministry Team

We are not the owners of creation; rather,
“the earth is the Lord's, and everything in it” (Psalm 24:1).

We are excited to invite you to a series of Creation Care classes. These will focus on how we can be better stewards of the environment and learn ways to care for our planet. We will cover a range of topics from ways to support our local pollinators to how to protect the Great Lakes.

We welcome anyone who is interested in learning more about the care of God's creation. Please join us for these informative and engaging discussions and help us create a more sustainable future for generations to come.

Classes will be held Tuesday evenings
at 7PM. Stay for cookies and ice
cream in the Gathering Space
following each class.

June 13 - Rev. Margie (overview of Creation Care series)

June 27 - Carolyn Thayer (Designs in Bloom)

July 25 - Jim Olson (FLOW aka For Love of Water)

August 8 - David Milarch (ArchAngel Tree Archive)

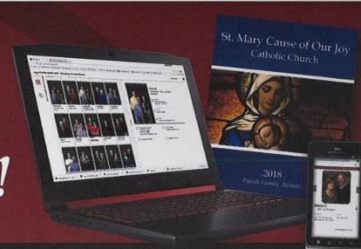
August 22 - Cheryl Gross (Plant It Wild)

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Make your appointment today!
Appointments for Aug. 3, 4, or 5th
Stop at the desk in the Gathering Space
following this service.

*Dear Church family,
It's time for a New Directory!*



*Celebrating faith.
Connecting families.
Sharing hope.*

When people enter the doors of our church they are looking for a place to belong. Our directory brings us together to develop new relationships, connect with our own families, and reconnect with those we haven't seen in a while. Join us for this "Connections Event" and be part of what God is doing right here at our church!

Directory Committee

Connections Event

Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.

- Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at the church or simply go online and follow the instructions below. If we don't see your name on our list of appointments, you will receive a phone call inviting you to participate.
- Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory!
- Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church! You'll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, portrait sizes, finish and framing options AND have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends.

Set your appointment with Universal today!

*Gathering families,
Connecting generations.*

