

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



In 1929, people in Sullivan County, NY
walked barefoot to church
to save their one good pair of shoes.

August 30, 2026

14th Sunday after Pentecost

August 30, 2026

10:30 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Wonderful Words of Life"
"Be still and know that I am God."
(Please use this time to prepare for worship in silence.)

Bliss/Raney
Psalm 46:10

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

Seek the Lord! Seek God in the wilderness.
Seek God in the sanctuary.
Seek God in the burning bush.
Seek God in the burning heart.
The Lord is here! This place is holy!
We are standing on holy ground.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 412

"God, Reveal Your Presence"

ARNSBERG

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

Let us boldly confess our sin before the One who already knows our errors and is gracious to forgive our hidden faults. Let us pray:

God of wonders, we confess that we do not understand why you call us when we are scared, clumsy, busy and flawed. We confess that we think we know better than you do who is qualified to do your work. Forgive our fears, excuses, and self-doubts. Lend us your fire and your strength, as we go about the work of serving our neighbors, building up your church, loving your children, and tending to the scorched places of our world. Help us to burn for you, without burning up or burning out. Give us a purpose and the courage to pursue it. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Silent Confession

*KYRIE

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

Hear the good news! New life rises from the ashes. In Christ, your sins are dead and you are alive to all that is good. **In Christ, we are made whole and 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

THE GOSPEL READING: Matthew 16:21-28

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHORAL ANTHEM

"My Sister's Hands"

Sally DeFord

THE HEBREW TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 3:1-15

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Through It All Together"

THE RESPONSE

*HYMN 40

"God's Word Is Upright"

NELSON

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from *The Confession of 1967*

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of our minds. We believe that God has created the world of space and time to be the sphere of God's dealings with humankind. In its beauty and vastness, transcendence and awefulness, order and disorder, the world reflects to the eye of faith the majesty and mystery of its Creator. We believe that God has created us for a personal relationship in which we may respond to the love of the Creator. Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

HYMN FOR PRAYER 469 (2x) "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

CHILDREN PRAYING

Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"Lord, Listen to your Children Praying"

Medema/Carter

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

*PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

THE SENDING

*HYMN 52

"When Israel Was in Egypt's Land"

GO DOWN MOSES

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

You are sent into the world
where there are many burning fires that could consume you.
But remember: Do not be afraid!

We bear the fire that does not consume:

The strength of God who keeps us,
the clarity of Christ who calls us,
and the dancing flames of the Holy Spirit,
who makes us brave and bold.

In Christ, the victory is already won!

Amen.

POSTLUDE

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

Rutter

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Anne Hébert, Pastor
 Carla Gipson, Liturgist
 Marsha and Paul Walters, Ushers
 Dianne and Ross Stephenson, Libby Chamberlin, Greeters
 Diane Pharr, Online 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 Group

Tuesday, September 1

1:00 Worship MT Mtg
 5:30 Arts on the Hill MT Dinner
 @ Sheafors

Wednesday, September 2

9:00 Arts on the Hill Planning-Edw. Hall
 10:00 Knitting Group— Gathering Space
 12:30 Centering Prayer
 4:00 Choir Rehearsal
 6:30 Lux Aeterna Rehearsal

Friday, September 4

9:00 Men's Breakfast @ Platte River Inn

Sunday, September 6

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

Bob Nelson	The Navin Family
Tim Bergstrom	Tim, Sarah, Tilly and Family
John Warren Robey	Casey Beal and Family
Kristin Lehoullier	Peter Navin
Suzie Anderson	Linda Koch
Cathy Lane	Evelyn Sengelaub
Vickie Smith	Laura and Bryan Sheffield
Bobbie Edwards	Martha Campbell
Sara Crane	Gwen Baarstad
Sara Bruce	Dottie Patterson
Barb Perry	John Sappington
Olivia Dann	Chris (Harris) Bint
Richard Hug	Dave Maxton
Karen-Sue Yagle	The Family of John Gardner
Mary Heglin	

The "I AM" Study

Study created by and led by Will Amstutz

Who are you?

If you identify as a Christian, are your beliefs and behavior
in accordance with God's Word?

Does your life reflect who He wants you to **BE** and **DO**?

The study starts on Thursday, September 10 from 2-3:30PM

We will meet at St. Andrews.

The study is planned for 8 weeks.

A personal study guide will be provided.

You provide the commitment!



United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other

by Rhonda Mahwood Lee

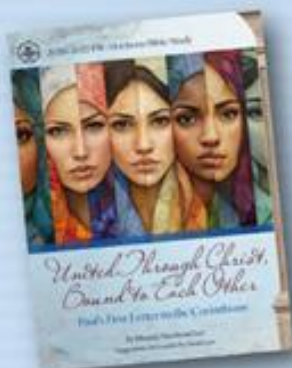
Gather with us to learn about Paul's first letter to the church in Corinth. This Bible study explores the letter's setting, divisions within the congregation, and ultimately, the gifts given to all through the work of Christ.

Join us onsite or online the 2nd Tuesday of each month through May.

Classes begin Tuesday, September 8 at 10:30am

(read Chapter 1 for this class).

This year Adult Ed MT will cover the cost of the books!



Morten Lauridsen ♦ **LUX AETERNA**



Dear Singers,

The Arts on the Hill Series of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Beulah Michigan is hosting a performance of Morten Lauridsen's **LUX AETERNA** on **Sunday, October 11, 2026, at 3 pm**. We invite you to join us this year for this wonderful work. We have scheduled 7 rehearsals, starting September 2.