

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



“Loaves and Fishes”

By John August Swanson

August 6, 2023

10th Sunday after Pentecost

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10:30 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE "Before Thy Throne I Now Appear" J.S. BACH
"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 OF THE PEACE

"...I was a stranger and you welcomed me."
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 "Cast Thy Burden upon the Lord" FELIX MENDELSSOHN

CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist

God willingly satisfies the world's greatest needs,
Even when we bring what little we have.
We are created in the image of God,
And are commanded to love God and one another.
We are required to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God.
We are called to follow Jesus and his teachings.
In this time of worship, we will remember God's intention for us,
Christ's call upon us, and the Spirit's movement within us.
We gather around the table to recognize our shared faith in Christ.
We do so joining God's miracle-working power.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 39 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" FAITHFULNESS

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

Great indeed is the faithfulness of God, and yet our hearts are not so reliable. We wander. We argue. We forget. We divide ourselves with anger and bitterness and falsehood. God brings us together again to focus on the truth. Let us confess our sins to God and to one another. Let us pray:

Almighty God, mother of mercy, father of grace: You have called us to one table, but we have pursued our own course. You have promised us the abundance of all creation, but in our greed, and in our envy, the world goes without. You have promised us the bread of life itself, but in our pride and arrogance, the world goes hungry. You have promised us the waters of peace

and justice, but in our violence and discord, the world goes thirsty. And now we are famished, too, Lord. Have mercy on us. Forgive us, again. Transform us, *at this table*, and *for this table*, and send us *from this table* as servants of your righteousness, by the power of your Son, our Lord.

Silent Confession

*KYRIE

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

Even when our cups run dry, God's grace overflows. Even when our plates are empty, God's generosity overflows. Even when our hearts feel barren, God's love overflows. Friends, you have been called and claimed by the God of all things, by the abundance of God's grace and by the power of God's love, your sins have been forgiven. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. 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 HEBREW TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 55:1-5

The Word of God. The Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Ave Verum Corpus Est"

MOZART

THE GOSPEL READING: Matthew 14:13-21

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

"Tapping into Our Potential"

THE RESPONSE

*Hymn 523

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

BICENTIENNIAL

THE REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

JESSICA GARDNER, CARL AND CYNTHIA HOOD

PRESENTATION

*PROFESSION OF FAITH – THE APOSTLES' CREED (Traditional)

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.

COVENANT OF COMMITMENT OF NEW MEMBERS

We have publicly professed our faith. Will you be faithful members of this congregation, share in its worship and ministry through your prayers and gifts, your study and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

I will, with God's help.

COVENANT OF COMMITMENT OF THE CONGREGATION

Will you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ and of the St. Andrews Presbyterian Church of Beulah, Michigan, promise to love and care for Jessica, Cynthia, and Carl, to welcome them into the fellowship of this church family; to teach them and to learn from them and, through the power of the Holy Spirit, increase their faith, confirm their hope, and encourage them in love?

We will, with God's help.

PRAYER (The congregation is invited to raise hands in a gesture of blessing toward our new members.)

WELCOME (Unison)

Congregation

You come to us as members of the one holy catholic church, into which you were baptized, and by which you have been nurtured. We are one with each other in the family of God. We rejoice in the God given gifts you bring to Christ's Church and to us. Welcome to this congregation, its worship and ministry.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "Let Us Break Bread Together"

DALE WOOD

*DOXOLOGY/Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (Hymn 607)

*PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

THE EUCHARIST

The 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.**

We do indeed praise you, Eternal God...as we join the universe in singing praise:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Capo 3: (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (D)

F C F B^b C F

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the

(A) (D/F#) (F#m) (G) (A) (Bm)

C F/A Am B^b C Dm

pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

(G) (D) (A) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (Dsus) (D)

B^b F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Praising you, Lord Jesus...Proclaiming the faith in all we do as our sacrifice of praise:

SERVICE MUSIC

553 Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen

Capo 3: (D) (A) (D) (G)(A) (D) (A) (D/F#)(F#m)

F C F B^b C F C F/A Am

Christ has died; Christ is ris-en; Christ will come a - gain.

(G) (A)(Bm) (G) (D) (A)(Bm) (Em7) (A)(Dsus)(D)

B^b C Dm B^b F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F

Christ has died; Christ is ris-en; Christ will come a - gain.

Move once more, O Holy Spirit... But every day at every time,
Through Christ, in Christ, with Christ
In the unity of the Holy Spirit
May all honor and glory and dominion
Be yours, now and forevermore. Amen.

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of the Meal

(To receive communion when you come forward, please open your hands and a portion of bread will be given to you to partake. Then pick up a small cup from the tray and partake. As you return to your seat, there will be a basket in which you can place your cup. If you would like a server to come to you, please raise your hand.)

Communion Hymn: 525

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

LET US BREAK BREAD

The Prayer After Communion (Unison)

Out of your abundance you have fed us what we need, sparing none of your good gifts in Jesus Christ. Thank you, God. Thank you! Now may we go into the world in the strength of your Holy Spirit to give ourselves for others in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING

*HYMN 770

"I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table"

WELCOME TABLE

*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

"Fantasia in G"

J.S. BACH

*Those who are able, please stand.

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Anne Hébert, Pastor
Claude Vander Ploeg, Liturgist
Dennis and Sally Keeney, Ushers
March Dye, Paul and Marcia Walters, Greeters
Kim Main, Suzie Anderson, Communion Preparers
Michael Beery, Choir Director
Tim Quist, Organist

This week at St. Andrews:

<p>Today 9:00 Bible Study 10:30 Worship 11:30 Coffee Hour 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group</p> <p>Tuesday, August 8 9:00-12:00 Budget Mtgs 2:00 BSR Exec. Mtg 5:00 Building & Grounds Mtg 7:00 Creation Care presentation</p> <p>Wednesday, August 9 1:00 Centering Prayer Group 4:00 BACN Exec. Mtg 4:30 Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>Thursday, August 10 2:00 Faith in Action</p> <p>Friday, August 11 9:00 Men's Breakfast-Platte River Inn</p> <p>Sunday, August 13 9:00 Bible Study 10:30 Worship 11:30 Coffee Hour 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group</p>
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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 that we will be hosting in the coming weeks. The classes 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.

Our hope is that these classes will equip you with practical tools and resources to make positive changes in your daily life and encourage you to take action in your community. We believe that together, we can make a significant impact on the health of our planet and its inhabitants.

We welcome anyone who is interested in learning more about caring for God's creation and wants to make a difference in the world. Please join us for this 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.



Mission Ministry Team Update!

The Mission Ministry Team is happy to announce that our Congregation has contributed \$1,385 to support Benzie Welcome Corps' sponsorship of a Ukrainian family to resettle in our neighborhood. Our goal for the Mission/Congregation gift is \$3,000. The Mission team will contribute \$1,500 from their funds. If you would like to contribute, please write a check made out to St. Andrews with Benzie Welcome Corps in the memo line and drop it in with your offering today.



Please consider joining us for a discussion about
"Being a Christian LGBTQ Ally"
Sunday, August 27, 2023
12:00 Noon
Following coffee hour
St. Philip's Episcopal Church



Featuring
Deacon
Beckett Joseph
Leclaire

