

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



September 1, 2024

# 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

September 1, 2024

10:30 A.M.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### **THE GATHERING**

PRELUDE

"God's Time is the Best Time"  
"Be still and know that I am God."  
(Please use this time to prepare for worship in silence.)

J.S. BACH  
*Psalm 46:10*

WORDS OF WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP  
MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP: Cathy Stephenson

PASSING 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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

The Eternal God has blessed us and has been faithful to us.

**As thankful stewards, we will remain faithful to God.**

The mystery hidden through the ages is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

**As redeemed stewards, we will remain faithful to Christ.**

God has empowered us with the Holy Spirit to be our Comforter and Guide,  
our unfailing source of strength.

**As Spirit-filled stewards, we will remain faithful to the Holy Spirit.**

OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN 687

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

ST. ANNE

\*CONFESSION AND PARDON

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. God's grace never changes. Therefore, we come together to make our confession, trusting that in Christ, we have already been forgiven. Let us pray:

**O God, you are slow to anger and swift to have mercy. Forgive us when we treat time as a commodity or an enemy and when we abuse the gift of time. In our inability to manage time, help us to know your time, in which there is a time for everything under heaven, and slow is not too slow, and fast is not too fast. Transform us into people who see time as a gift and a friend, who live as if we have time, because we know that your time will never cease. Through Jesus we pray. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Hymn 39 (Refrain)

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning, new mercies I see.  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

***THE WORD***

CHILDREN'S TIME

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional) (Page 35, *Glory to God Hymnal*)  
SINGING WITH THE CHILDREN: "Jesus Loves Me" (Hymn 188)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS: Psalm 90  
The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

CHORAL ANTHEM "Communion"

THE GOSPEL READING: Matthew 6:25-34  
The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON "Stewards of Time"

***THE RESPONSE***

\*HYMN (Insert) "Take Time to Be Holy"

LONGSTAFF

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# Take Time to Be Holy

William D. Longstaff (1822-1894)

LONGSTAFF: 6. 5. 6. 5. D.  
George C. Stebbins, 1890



1. Take time to be ho - ly, Speak oft with thy Lord; A - bid in Him  
 2. Take time to be ho - ly, The world rush-es on; Much time spend in  
 3. Take time to be ho - ly, Let Him be thy Guide, And run not be -  
 4. Take time to be ho - ly, Be calm in thy soul; Each thought and each



al - ways, And feed on His Word. Make friends of God's chil-dren; Help those who are  
 se - cret With Je - sus a - lone; By look-ing to Je - sus, Like Him thou shalt  
 fore Him, What - ev - er be - tide; In joy or in sor - row, Still fol - low thy  
 mo - tive Be - neath His con - trol; Thus led by His Spir - it To foun-tains of



weak; For - get - ting in noth - ing His bless - ing to seek.  
 be; Thy friends in thy con - duct His like - ness shall see.  
 Lord, And, look - ing to Je - sus, Still trust in His Word.  
 love, Thou soon shalt be fit - ted For serv - ice a - bove. A - MEN.



\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed (Unison – See Insert)

**NICENE CREED**

Let us confess the faith of the universal church.

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

“Ave Verum Corpus”

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

\*PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

# The Eucharist

## The Invitation to the Table

## The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

(Responsive, Congregation please read **bold** print.)

May the God of generosity be with you! **And also with you!**

People of God, open your hearts to the One who has blessed you beyond imagination.

**We open our very being to the God who always surprises us with blessings.**

Children of the abundant God, join your voices in glad songs of praise.

**Hearts and voices resound with the glory of God.**

When you could have been stingy...we join our voices in praise to you:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

552

Capo 3: (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (D)  
F C F B<sup>b</sup> C F

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

(A) (D/F#) (F#m) (G) (A) (Bm)  
C F/A Am B<sup>b</sup> 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<sup>b</sup> 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.

You are generous to a fault, Gracious God...we would cling to that mystery we call faith:

## 553 Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen

Capo 3: (D) (A) (D) (G)(A) (D) (A) (D/F#)(F#m)  
 F C F B<sup>b</sup> 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<sup>b</sup> C Dm B<sup>b</sup> F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F

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

We never have to wonder about your love for us... God in community, Holy in One. **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)

**You have fed us what we need out of your abundance, sparing none of your good gifts in Jesus Christ. Thank you, God. 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 378

"We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom"

MERLE'S TUNE

\*BENEDICTION (Responsive)

It's time to go.

**It's time to re-engage with the world.**

It is time to put faith into action.

**It's time to practice uncalculating love.**

It is time to meet the Christ who waits for you.

**It's time to share his boundless hope.**

You can do all things through Christ who strengthens you.

With the blessing of God, in your mind and heart, let

each day be a joy to you,

each path be a joy to you,

each neighbor be a joy to you.

Now and always... **Amen!**

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Trumpet Voluntary"

John Stanley

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Anne Hébert, Pastor

Kay Gossens, Liturgist

Dennis and Sally Keeney, Ushers

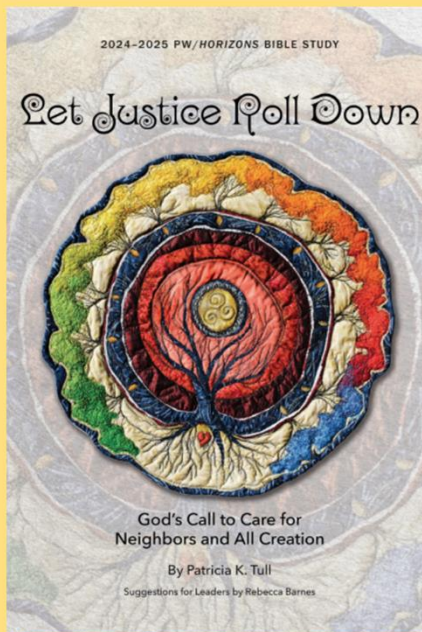
Ky Webb, Joanne Beare, Greeters

Cathy Stephenson, John Witt, Communion Preparers

Michael Beery, Music Director

Tim Quist, Organist

# Let Justice Roll Down



## God's Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation

Classes will meet once a month as follows:

**Tuesday at 10:30am online (Zoom)**

Sep. 10, Oct. 8, Nov 12, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Feb. 11, Mar. 11, Apr. 8, and May 13.

OR

**Thursday at 10:30am onsite**

Sep. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14, Dec. 12, Jan. 16, Feb. 13, Mar. 13, Apr. 10, and May 15.

Cost of book is \$10. Watch for sign-up information!

Join us as we explore God's call to care for our neighbors and for creation. We will learn about ecological systems, accelerated climate change, and possibilities to address the human-made stress on our environment. Exploring theological questions will point us to act and engage, in small and large ways.



# Fellowship Potluck

## Welcome to New Members

**Sunday, September 15, 2024**  
**11:30 am**

The church will provide Baby Back Ribs  
 Please Sign up in Gathering Space



Join Benzie Faith in Action for a "Reverse Debate" **Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2 PM at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Beulah.** We will be joined by our candidates for public office from U.S. Congress down to local municipalities to discuss issues core to Benzie County such as Housing, Mental Health Care, and Internet Access. What is a "reverse debate"? Simple! A reverse debate is the opposite of a typical debate in two ways: 1. Instead of fighting about what we disagree on, we seek common ground. 2. Instead of us sitting quietly and listening to the candidates, THEY listen to US!

Please join us! Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.



*Saturday*  
**SEPTEMBER 28**  
**10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

- Arts + Crafts*
  - Children's Corner*
  - Granny's Attic Resale*
  - Christmas Store*
  - Homeade Baked Goods*
  - Books + C.D.'s*
  - Grandpa's Garage Resale*
  - Silent Auction*
  - Cookies by the pound*
  - Children's Books*
- ... and much, much more*

**St. Andrews Presbyterian Church**  
**8190 Lincoln Rd. Beulah**

### BAZAAR

Items for the Bazaar may be brought to Edwards Hall Sept. 1.  
 The Bazaar is Saturday, **Sept. 28 10-3.**  
 Thank you for your support!  
 Chris Jahr

### SILENT AUCTION

Items for the Silent Auction may be brought to the church **Sunday Sept. 1.** The Silent Auction will be held in the Gathering Space before and after church **Sept. 8, 15 & 22.**

Jessica Gardner & Chris Jahr

## **Frontera De Cristo Mission Trip Informational Meeting to be held September 8th**

The Mission Ministry Team is inviting interested people to attend an informational meeting following the church service on September 8th to learn about a 3-day border mission trip to Frontera De Cristo in Douglas, Arizona. Mark Adams and Miriam Maldonado Escobar, Frontera De Cristo mission co-workers, shared their border ministry experiences in June last year when they visited our congregation.

The 3-day mission trip will take place in mid to late January 2025. The preferred maximum number of participants is 14, including leaders. The group will stay in dormitory rooms in the Lily of the Valley Presbyterian church in Agua Prieta, Mexico. The mission delegation may visit the children's enrichment ministry, community gardens, Cafe de Justo, attend a cross planting, visit a drug rehab center or the Migrant Resource Center.

Each participant will pay for their airfare to Tucson, Arizona and a \$285 fee which includes registration, 3 meals a day, local transportation, honorariums, and lodging. The Mission Ministry Team budget will pay the group registration fee and transportation costs to and from Tucson, AZ airport. A light lunch will be served to attendees of this meeting.

Please contact Tom Webster at 352 281-4875 if you plan to attend the lunch on September 8th.

