

# St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



## Songs in the Key of Faith

June 16, 2024

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

June 16, 2024

10:30 A.M.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### **THE GATHERING**

PRELUDE

"Be Still and Know"

CHAPMAN

*"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."*

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.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

How good it is to thank you, Lord, to praise your name, Most High, to sing your love at dawn, your faithfulness at dusk with the sound of lyre and harp, with music of the lute. For your work brings delight, your deeds invite song.

**Praise the Lord, all you nations: all peoples, praise the Lord.**

Shout joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness, enter God's presence with joy.

**Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong, our shepherd to whom we flock.**

Enter God's gates with gratitude, approach God's courtyard with praise; give thanks and bless God's name.

OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN 35

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

LOBE DEN HERREN

\*CONFESSION AND PARDON

In the light of Christ, we see the darkness of our world and of our hearts. Trusting in God's saving love, let us confess our sin. Let us pray responsively:

For our foolish or careless use of the gifts of your creation,  
Lord have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our indifference to the needs of others, our siblings in faith for whom you died,  
Christ have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

For our neglect of fellowship and the means of grace in worship and in prayer,  
Lord have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Silent Confession

\*KYRIE

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

God proves God's love for us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Hear this word of grace: In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.**

***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 GOSPEL READING: Mark 4:26-34  
The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SPECIAL MUSIC "This is My Father's World" RANEY

THE READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS: Psalm 113  
The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Hallelu Jah!"

***THE RESPONSE***

\*HYMN 670 "From the Rising of the Sun" RISING SUN  
(Sing 2 times through.)

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) (From *A Declaration of Faith (PCUSA) 1.1-3, 5*)

**We acknowledge one God alone, whose demands on us are absolute, whose help for us is sufficient. That One is the Lord, whom we worship, serve, and love. We do not fully comprehend who God is or how God works. God's reality far exceeds all our words can say. The Lord's requirements are not always what we think is best. The Lord's care for us is not always what we want. God comes to us on God's own terms and is able to do far more than we ask or think.**

**Jesus' involvement in the human condition is God's involvement. His compassion for all kinds of people is God's compassion. His demand for justice, truth, and faithfulness is God's demand. His willingness to suffer rejection is God's willingness. Jesus' love for the very people who reject him is God's love.**

**We know that God is not confined to the story we can tell. The story itself tells us God works God's sovereign will among all peoples of the earth. We believe God works beyond our imagining throughout the universe. Amen.**

\*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

COMMISSIONING SERVICE FOR STAMP

*Questions of Commitment to Volunteers and Supporters*

*Question to Congregation*

Members of this household of faith, you have heard the promises of our siblings in Christ who have answered God's call to serve. Let us affirm our intention to live in covenant with them. Will those who are comfortable doing so, please stand and witness to the commitment we now make?

**We gather in celebration of the joy that is ours to be partners with you in the mission to which you are called. We promise to love you, honor your work and assist you, so that together we may be a faithful church of Jesus Christ.**

*Commissioning Prayer*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"Praise to the Lord Almighty"

CARTER

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

\*PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

***THE SENDING***

\*HYMN 405

"Praise God for This Holy Ground"

HEYMONYSTRAAT

\*COVENANT OF THE CONGREGATION (Responsive)

This is the day that the Lord has made: **We will rejoice and be glad in it.**

We will not make offerings to the Lord **that cost us nothing.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **We will go where Christ calls us.**

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"How Great Thou Art"

LARSON

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Anne Hébert, Pastor

Bonnie Alban, Liturgist

John and Margaret Witt, Ushers

Tom and Lynne Webster, Erik and Caroline Nielsen, Greeters

Polly Mauer, Pianist

Words for Meditation

**This is My Father's World**

This is my Father's world,  
And to my listening ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings  
The music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world:  
I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas--  
His hand the wonders wrought.

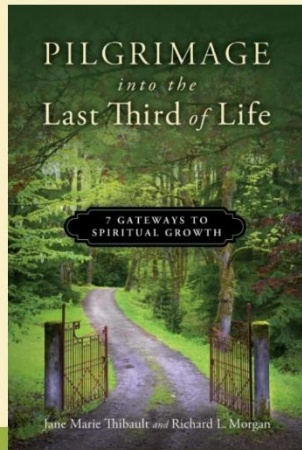
This is my Father's world:  
The birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white,  
Declare their Maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world:  
He shines in all that's fair;  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass,  
He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world:  
O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,  
God is the Ruler yet.

This is my Father's world:  
Why should my heart be sad?  
The Lord is King: let the heavens ring!  
God reigns; let earth be glad!



**June 17-20**



We invite you to join us in our summer series

# AGING FAITHFULLY

MONDAYS AT 12PM

JUL 8, 15, 22, 29

AUG 5, 12, 19

(bring a sack lunch, if you wish!)

Join us at church or on Zoom for a weekly discussion of short daily readings. Pilgrimage into the Last Third of Life will lead us on a journey full of opportunities for spiritual growth as we age. Books available in the church office for \$10 (Adult Ed MT will pay remaining cost). It is not necessary to attend all 7 sessions, so join when you can!

**Watch your email for Sign-up Information for Monday Discussion group.**

**See below for evenings with Guest Speakers  
(not necessary to sign-up for these)**

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# AGING FAITHFULLY

Join us at St. Andrews to learn more about these important topics from our guest speakers:

Thursday, June 27 - 7PM "When to Call the Funeral Director" with Gaylord Jowett, Jowett Funeral Home

Thursday, July 11 - 7PM "Hospice Services" with Chris Romps, Munson Hospice

Thursday, July 25 - 7PM "Estate Planning" with Courtney Marshall, Estate Planning

Thursday, August 8 - 7PM "Local Services" with Doug Durand, Benzie Senior Resources

Thursday, August 22 - 7PM "Senior Housing" with Alliance for Senior Housing

Enjoy a sweet dessert following each presentation!





THE  
**GARDEN**  
THEATER

**FREE HANDBELL CHOIR  
CONCERT**

**FEATURING:**

**Frankfort's: "THE BELLS OF PRAISE"**

**Visiting choir: St. Cloud Minnesota's:  
"BELLS OF BETHLEHEM"**

**Solo Handbell Artist:  
David Frank**

Join us for a FREE afternoon of Old  
English Handbells and Chimes ringing  
familiar tunes.

**YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS!**

**The Garden Theater  
Saturday June 22nd  
@ 1pm**

**ENTRANCE IS FREE**



