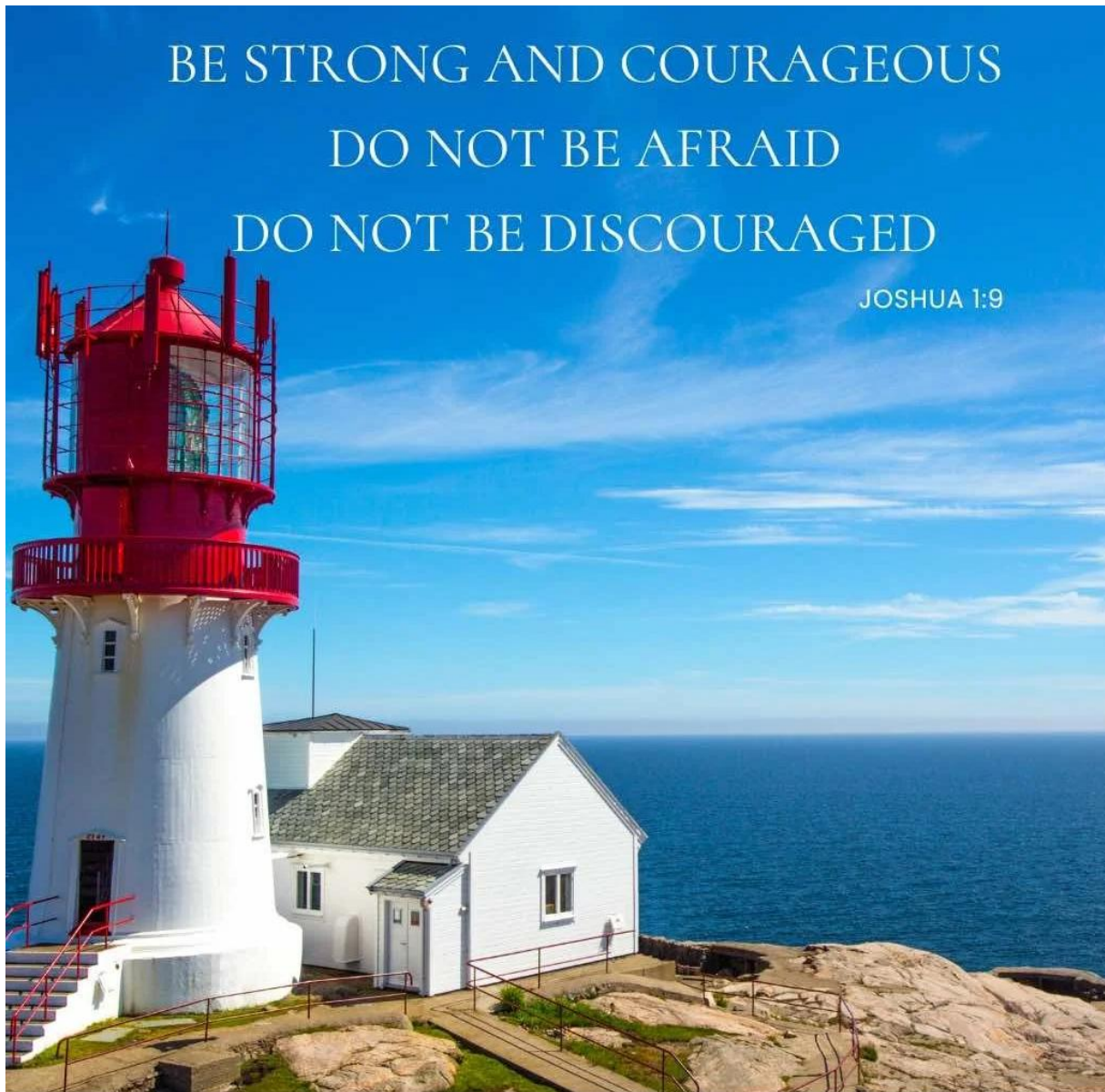


St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



Service of Worship & Confirmation

July 26, 2026

9^h Sunday after Pentecost

July 26, 2026

10:30 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"
"Be still and know that I am God."

Traditional Spiritual
Psalm 46:10

(Please use this time to prepare for worship in silence.)

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

PASSING OF 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

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 10

"Sing Glory to the Name of God"

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. In faith and penitence, let us confess our sin before God and one another. Let us pray:

God of love and tenderness, you call us from the chaos of our lives as we are, with our hopes and fears and preoccupations with worldly things. Embrace each of us now as we confess our sins. Forgive us for the opportunities we miss, for squandering our gifts, for squandering our time, for simply being too busy to do things that really matter. Remind us again of your love and your tender mercy. Where we have fallen short of doing your will, forgive us. Where we have neglected others, forgive us. For the messes we make of our lives and those of others, forgive us. Guide us and protect us with your loving kindness. Through Christ, we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

*KYRIE

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

Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died and who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who intercedes for us. Believe the good news! **In Jesus Christ, 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

Liturgist

THE HEBREW TESTAMENT READING: I Kings 3:5-12
The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM "Salvation is Created" Tschesnokoff, arr. Walter Ehret

THE GOSPEL READING: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON "God's Stealth Operation"

THE RESPONSE

*HYMN 771 "What Is the World Like" NEW WORLD
(Verses 1-3 & 5)

READING OF THE STATEMENTS OF FAITH: Mya Bea and Ava Rebecca Main
(Each confirmand has prepared a statement of faith which is being presented this morning.)

THE REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

The Opening Sentences, the Renunciation of Sin and the Profession of Faith
The Affirmation of Faith (Responsively)

Leader: Do you believe in God the Father?

**People: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**People: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under
Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the
dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is
seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the
living and the dead.**

Leader: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the
body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayer for Those Reaffirming their Baptismal Covenant
The Welcome and Gifts

HYMN FOR PRAYER 465 (v.1) "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" CONVERSE
What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit; O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

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

*PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

THE SENDING

*HYMN 721

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

*COVENANT AND BENEDICTION

**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.**

Confirmands:

We go out with joy, ready to serve. We promise to follow Jesus Christ, to love our neighbors, and to share God's grace in all that we do.

Congregation:

We praise God for your faith. We promise to walk alongside you, to pray for you, and to learn from you as together we live out our baptismal vows.

POSTLUDE

"Here I Am Lord"

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Anne Hébert, Pastor
Diane Pharr, Liturgist
Tom and Lynne Webster, Ushers
Merlin and Mary Trausch, Jeannine Chapman, Greeters
Mya and Ava Main, Confirmands
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, July 28 2:00 Sacred Lines Spiritual Drawing Wednesday, July 29 12:30 Centering Prayer Group 4:00 Choir Rehearsal 6:30 Readers Theater Rehearsal	Thursday, July 30 2:00 Class—"The Bible With and Without Jesus" Friday, July 31 9:00 Men's Breakfast @ Platte River Inn Sunday, August 2 9:00 Adult Ed Bible Study 10:30 Worship 11:30 Coffee Hour—Remembering Don Mead 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Group																												
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**Looking for a gentle, creative way
to unwind and nurture your spirit?**

Tuesday, July 28 from 2-3:30PM
for "Sacred Lines"

Rev. Anne will lead us in simple, deeply relaxing
drawing. Plenty of time for quiet reflection
and the offering of prayers to God through art.

No art experience necessary!
All supplies are provided.
Come tend your soul in community.

Reader's Theatre



Performance Date: Tuesday, August 4, 7 pm

Theme: Old Time Radio Shows

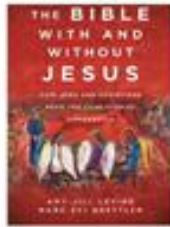
Sketches: Garrison Keillor's "The Pontoon"

Radio Commercials from the Past

Suspense Radio's "The Whole Town is Sleeping"

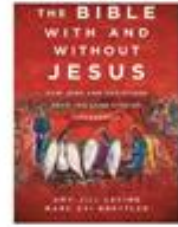
Rehearsal Dates:

Wednesday, July 29, 6:30 pm (dress rehearsal)



"HOPE AND FAITH"

Adult Education MT
Summer 2026
"THE BIBLE WITH AND WITHOUT JESUS"



Experience the power and beauty of the Bible with new eyes! This study seeks to put various interpretations of the ancient scriptures into dialogue. Such dialogue helps us understand why, when we read the same text, we come away with different views. The better we can see through the eyes of our neighbors, the better able we are to be good neighbors.

Thursdays 2-3:30PM

July 23: "The Creation of the World"

July 30: "Adam and Eve"

August 6: "A Virgin will Conceive and Bear a Child"

August 13: "Isaiah's Suffering Servant"

August 20: "The Sign of Jonah"

August 27: "My God, my God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?"

No reading assignments. Each session is independent, so join us for some or all sessions.

A participant guide with detailed information is available, but optional.

Hybrid event (onsite and online)

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