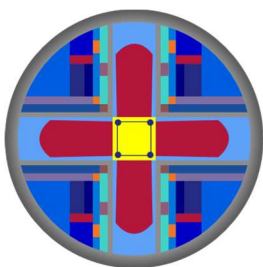


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**St. Andrews**  
Presbyterian Church

# **A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day**

## **Second Sunday after Pentecost**

### **Holy Communion**

**June 11, 2023**

### **We Gather to Worship God**

Welcome to St. Andrews Presbyterian Church! If you are visiting, please complete a Visitor's Card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Prayer cards are also available, and we invite you to list your concerns and place them in the offering plate as well. Our Minister and our Prayer Team will pray for your concerns.

\*Congregation stands as noted

### **Chiming of the Hour and Introit**

### **Call to Worship**

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord our God, whose love quenches our thirst.

**People: We are parched and thirsty for God's healing word.**

Leader: Let us praise God who is with us always.

**People: We seek the one who will not desert us.**

Leader: Let us open our hearts to God who calls us by name.

**People: We come, seeking reconciled relationship with God. Amen.**

### **Invocation and Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come.**

**Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*Opening Hymn #795

"Healer of Our Every Ill"

### **We Acknowledge Our Brokenness and Seek Reconciliation with God**

### **Preparing Our Hearts for Confession - "Confession"**

Words/Music by Kenneth Jones

Lord, I come before you, asking your forgiveness. I am broken, I have faltered. I have turned from you.

Create in me a new heart. Fill me with your love. Grant that I receive your grace, I pray.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

### **Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Life is sometimes like a giant spider web. We seem to get caught and entangled in its threads, not knowing which way to turn or how to extricate ourselves from the dilemmas in which we are trapped. Lord, you know that so many of these dilemmas and burdens are of our own creation, coming out of our stubbornness and fear. We find it much easier to turn our back on people in need, or just write a check and hope that the problems go away. Forgive us when we decide not to become involved in the solution, when we would rather back off from helping and turn and run for cover. Give us an extra measure of courage and strength along with your forgiving love, that we may again place our whole trust in you. In Jesus' Name, we pray.

## **Time of Silent Reflection and Personal Prayer of Confession**

Leader: And all the people of Christ say,

**People: Amen.**

### **\*Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Let go of the demons that bind you in sorrow. Christ has broken those bands and reaches out in love for you. Receive God's loving blessings, for they are given especially for you.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

### **\*Thanks for God's Forgiveness (#647; no repeats)**

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son. And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" Give Thanks! Give Thanks!

### **\*Passing of the Peace**

Leader: Grace to you, and peace from God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

## **We Respond to God's Faithfulness in Our Life**

**Offering Our Lives to Jesus through Our Time, Gifts, and Resources**

**Offertory**

### **\*Doxology (#606)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### **\*Prayer of Dedication**

(Children that have not yet finished 1st Grade are dismissed at this time for Children's Church)

## **God's Word Is Read and Proclaimed**

**Special Music**

**"In the Garden"  
Composer**

**Beverly Burry, Ann Paschall**

**Scripture Reading**

**Matthew 9:20-23**

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Proclamation of God's Word**

**"Healing Our Pain"**

**Jeff Gilstrap**

## **Responding to God's Word**

**\*Hymn of Preparation for Communion #508**

**"Come to the Table"**

**Sacrament of Holy Communion (see liturgy on laminated card in pew rack)**

Preparing Our Hearts for Prayer (#471)

“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

Time of Reflection, Meditation, Personal Prayer

Jennifer Massey

## Sending Out Into the World

\*Sending Hymn #793

“O Christ, the Healer”

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Congregational Benediction #295 (v.2)

“Go to the World!”

\*Postlude

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We hope you were blessed so you can go and be a witness to Christ’s love in the world. May your spirits be renewed for the days ahead.



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