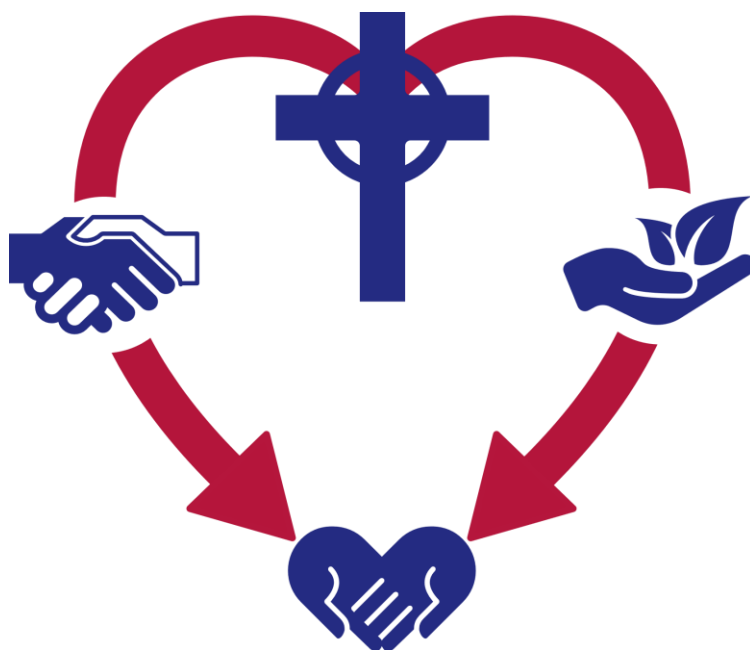
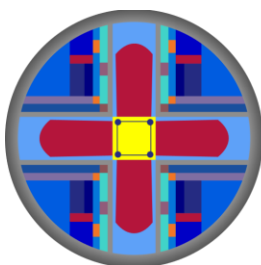


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by **Connecting**, **Growing**, and **Serving**.**



**A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 2, 2026**



St. Andrews
Presbyterian Church

We Gather to Worship God

*Congregation stands as noted

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

Call to Worship (Psalm 27:1-6, NRSVUE)

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

People: The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Leader: When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh—

People: My adversaries and foes—they shall stumble and fall.

Leader: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;

People: Though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

Leader: One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:

People: To live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,

Leader: To behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

People: For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

Leader: He will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

People: Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me,

Leader: And I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;

People: I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Invocation

*Opening Hymn #269

“Lead On, O King Eternal!”

We Acknowledge Our Brokenness and Seek Reconciliation with God

Preparing Our Hearts for Confession - “Confession”
(front cover of hymnal)

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)

Merciful and Almighty God, Jehovah of Armies: we face difficulties on every side, and we have your gracious promise that you will go before us, to give us success, and to use us to do great things for your Kingdom. And so, you call us to diligence, but we have been complacent. You call us to speak out, and we have stayed silent. You call us to serve, but we prefer being served. You call us to the dangers of battle, but we have sought out comfort and safety. Hear us as we

Speak with one voice: forgive us for our transgressions and failures, and teach us to oppose the systems of sin that we have been complicit in propping up. Strength us to stand against all evil, and may we live now and always for your Kingdom and glory.

Time of Silent Reflection and Personal Prayer of Confession

Leader: And all the people of Christ say,

People: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. In the name of Jesus, we are forgiven!

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.

***Transition Hymn #**

"Let Us with a Gladsome Mind"

We Respond to God's Faithfulness in Our Life

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

(see the 'Giving' card in the pew rack for information about options for digital giving)

***Doxology (#606)**

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

God's Word Is Read and Proclaimed

Time for Young Disciples

(Children are dismissed at this time for Children's Church and Bible Builds)

Special Music

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By

Scripture Readings

Ephesians 6:10-20

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Proclamation of God's Word

Brother Trey Austin

"Kingdom Bootcamp: Resistance Training"

Responding to God's Word

*Response Hymn #

"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

*Affirmation of Our Faith (Second Helvetic – Unison)

[S]ince there is always but one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, Jesus the Messiah, and one Shepherd of the whole flock, one Head of this body, and, to conclude, one Spirit, one salvation, one faith, one Testament or covenant, it necessarily follows that there is only one Church. We, therefore, call this Church catholic because it is universal, scattered through all parts of the world, and extended unto all times, and is not limited to any times or places...

The Church is divided into different parts or forms; not because it is divided or rent asunder in itself, but rather because it is distinguished by the diversity of the numbers that are in it. For the one is called the Church Militant, the other the Church Triumphant. The former still wages war on earth, and fights against the flesh, the world, and the prince of this world, the devil; against sin and death. But the latter, having been now discharged, triumphs in heaven immediately after having overcome all those things and rejoices before the Lord. Notwithstanding both have fellowship and union one with another. Amen.

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.

Prayers for the People

Volunteer

Respond: 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.

Sending Out Into the World

*Sending Hymn #

"Fight the Good Fight"

*Charge and Blessing

*Congregational Benediction #765

"May the God of Hope Go With Us"

*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.



**Rev. AJ Ochart, Pastor
Kenneth Jones, Director of Music
Dana Tate, Lay Leader**

