

ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God. -Micah 6:8



Worship Bulletin
Sunday, May 19th, 2024

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission: Pentecost Offering

Norah Vanderpol

Call to Worship

Liturgist, Larry Baker

Leader: When we feel alone, when we feel rejected,

People: Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Leader: When we feel drained and dried up, and we can't give any more,

People: Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Leader: When we are unsure of how to move or where to go or what to do,

People: Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

People: Come, Holy Spirit, revive us, move in us, and encourage us on the journey of faith.

People: Come, Holy Spirit, Come! Amen!

Opening Prayer

**Hymn #280 - Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us*

Prayer of Confession

We confess to you, Renewing Spirit, that we confuse unity with uniformity, and diversity with divisiveness. We speak and behave as if being a part of your family means assimilating others to our way of living. We deny and destroy the beauty you created in each person. We long to change these patterns, O Creator, but we do not know how. Teach us to value challenge. Help us to see strength in difference.

Where we are guided by prejudice, fill us with love.

Where we are guided by pessimism, fill us with joy.

Where we are guided by misunderstanding, fill us with peace.

Where we are guided by superficial quick-fixes, fill us with patience.

(Prayer of Confession continues on next page)

Where we are guided by self-interest, fill us with kindness.
Where we are guided by apathy, fill us with goodness.
Where we are guided by convenience, fill us with faithfulness.
Where we are guided by complacency, fill us with meekness.
Where we are guided by temptation, fill us with self-control.
Come, Holy Breath, live in us.

(Time for silent prayer and confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Passing the Peace

Leader: God makes peace within us. Let us claim it.
God makes peace between us. Let us share it.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you!**

(Please share signs of peace with each other)

Anthem

Peace I Leave with You
Amy Beach

St. Andrew Choir

A Word for God's Children

Mindy Heimer

Sung Prayer for Illumination *(Hymn #291)*

Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free.
Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

Scripture – Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

(Scripture continues on next page)

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

"In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

A Moment for Silent Reflection

Hymn #285 - *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

***Affirmation of Faith (From the Brief Statement of Faith)**

In life and in death we belong to God.

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.**

**The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.**

The same Spirit

**who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.**

In a broken and fearful world

**the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,

**we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

**With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.**

Offering our Gifts and Gratitude

***Song of Dedication - #630 – *Fairest Lord Jesus* (v. 4)**

*Beautiful Savior, Ruler of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!*

***Prayer of Dedication for our Gifts to St Andrew and the Pentecost Offering**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

During the prayers, we will sing hymn #288 as a refrain. Please join in singing when the song leader indicates.

Our loving God, who is in Heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your 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 Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen!

Hymn #290 - *O Day of Joy and Wonder!

Benediction

Postlude

The Call to Worship is by Mindi Welton-Mitchell, the Prayer of Confession is from the Christian Aid Bureau of South Africa, and the Prayers of the People are by Teri McDowell Ott.

St. Andrew At-A-Glance

- **May 21** - Session Meeting
- **May 22** - Noon Prayer Service
- **May 26** - OUTDOOR Hybrid Worship at 9:30am, Parking Lot Pickleball, MooMobile Ice Cream Truck, Holy Yoga
- **May 27** - Church Office Closed
- **May 28** - Mom's Night Out Dinner at Avanti
- **June 2** - Outdoor Hybrid Worship
- **June 3** - Shanahan Ridge Hike
- **June 6** - Women's Craft Fellowship
- **June 8** - Men's Pancake Breakfast
- **June 9** - Outdoor Hybrid Worship

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New Here?

As most people in Colorado are aware, aspen trees aren't individual trees but are connected underground by a complex root system. Given how many trees can be connected, these petite, beautiful trees can join together into mighty organisms. In fact, the largest organism in the world is a single Quaking Aspen in Utah. When we're at our best, the church functions in much the same way: we are connected, and we come together to be nourished, fed, and refreshed even though we live our lives in distinct places. We recognize that our life "above the soil" is only possible when we tend to our life "below the soil," and we realize that without the trunk and branches, the roots don't really serve much of a purpose. Our life of faith is most robust when we balance both dimensions: the interconnectedness that helps nourish our roots and the expression of faith that only comes through wide-reaching branches. That's the kind of worship and service we nurture.



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