



ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DENTON, TEXAS

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 26, 2020

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Call to Worship

(Adapted from Psalm 16)

Keep me safe, O God, I've run for dear life to you.

I said to God, "Be my Lord!" Without you, nothing makes sense.

And these God-chosen saints all around—what wonderful friends they make!

I am not going shopping for a god. My choice is you, God, first and only.

Now you've got my feet on the right path, all radiant from the shining of your face.

Ever since you took my hand, I'm on the right way.

OPENING PRAYER

Richard B. Culp

HYMN 390

Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!

LOUEZ LE SEIGNEUR

Kirsten Trachsel and Andersen Trachsel, percussion

PRAYER OF CONFESSION+

O God, you are always true to us in love and we are left wanting to say sorry for our faithlessness to you and to one another, for our forgetting of the poor and the broken, for our failure to cherish creation. Open our eyes to see our wanting to be welcomed and our refusal to welcome others; our desire to be loved and hesitation to love the unlovely; our use of our gifts for distraction alone rather than to praise you; and our tight grip on a grudge rather than letting go. Forgive us. Give us life, O God, to change and enable us to change, that we may live. Amen (Time of silent confession).

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

CALL TO FAITHFULNESS

(Ephesians 4:1-6)

Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

SUNG RESPONSE

Refrain of hymn 605, *Praise to God the Father*

Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son; praise to God the Spirit: praise to the Three-in-One. Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high. Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Samuel 1:1-20

See Insert

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Song of Devotion

John Ness Beck

(Text: Philippians 1:3-11)

Nicole Stover, soprano and Stephen Carey, piano

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON AND SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Samuel 2:1-10

Lisa Patterson

Song of Hannah

Nicole Stover, soprano

My soul is filled with joy in God my Savior, for he has lifted me and set me high. There is no holy One, no Rock like our God; he answered my request, he heard my cry. All those who talk with pride now see who God is: he weighs our deeds and knows our every word. Proud ones are humbled, but the poor are lifted; all might and power belong to God the Lord. The strong have fallen, but the weak are strengthened; those who were hungry have enough to spare. She who was barren sees her children's children; all things are in the Lord's controlling care. The Lord has set the earth on sure foundations; help for his saints is found in God alone. Those who oppose the Lord will fall in judgment, but he will strengthen his anointed one.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

HYMN 798

All with Joyful Exultation

YISRAEL V'ORAITA

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

(from *Heidelberg Catechism*)

Since we have been delivered from our misery by grace through Christ without any merit of our own, why then should we do good works?

Because Christ, having redeemed us by his blood, is also restoring us by his Spirit into his image, so that with our whole lives we may show that we are thankful to God for his benefits, so that he may be praised through us, so that we may be assured of our faith by its fruits, and so that by our godly living our neighbors may be won over to Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn 607, *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prayer Concerns

Jacob Fritz
 Perry McNeill
 Jan Hillman
 Scott Hendrix
 Dorothy Braly

Jean Harden
 Suzanne Baroody
 Carol Hill
 Peter Mondelli
 Helen Harrison

Drennan Fuller, friend of Caitlin Coyner
 Michael Danbom, brother of Stephen Danbom
 Charlotte Berlau, great niece of Christine Edera
 Rachel Moore, mother of Sharon Lunsford
 Jerry Schwoyer, brother of Karen Raabe
 Virgil Blosser, grandfather of Jake Blosser
 Ouida Henderson, mother of Joyce Kain
 Jacob McIntyre, son of Linda and Jim McIntyre
 Matthew McIntyre, son of Linda and Jim McIntyre

Donna and Rob Castro, friends of Adele and Bob Stewart
 Patsy and Bud Ables, cousins of Barbara Sims
 Ray Hundley, brother of Barbara Sims
 Christina Mainard, friend of Natalie and Keith Green
 John Murphy, faculty member at UNT
 J. B. and Olga Fincher, friends of Barbara Sims
 Mike Demers, brother-in-law of Chuck Stoughton
 Charlie Leavell, grandfather of Shannon Konkle
 Family of Jim Rogers

WELCOME!

We proclaim that ALL people are created in the image of God and affirm that each person is a beloved child of God, worthy of God's love and grace. We welcome all, celebrating our differences while finding unity in Christ. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome

From the Music Director

All things have their season, and in their times all things pass under heaven.
 (Ecclesiastes 3:1, NIV)

The time has come, once again, to say goodbye to some of our student singers and say hello to new ones! This week's service will be the last for our soprano section leader, Nicole Stover. Nicole has sung with us since she was a freshman at UNT, but now she is headed to Baltimore to pursue her master's degree at the Peabody Conservatory. For the past two years she has also served as my "music assistant," trying to make sense of things in the Music Office. Please join me in thanking Nicole for her years of service!

Joining us in August as soprano section leader will be Ashley Traughber. She is from Houston and received her Bachelor of Music degree in Vocal Performance from McNeese State University in Louisiana. She is currently pursuing her Master of Music in Voice Performance at UNT. Welcome, Ashley!

I am very sorry to see tenor Sam Ary leave us, but very happy to have Benjamin (Ben) Johnson take over that position. Ben was a volunteer with the choir last year, so he will be able to "hit the ground running!" Ben is going to be a sophomore at UNT, majoring in music education with minors in mathematics and Spanish. He is originally from Denver, Colorado and looking forward to continuing to be a part of the St. Andrew community.

"Where do you wish to go?" video

We remember that as the Israelite people journeyed through the wilderness, they were often restless and unsatisfied with where they were. Sometimes, they would remember their time in Egypt and wish they were back there; sometimes, they would dream of the Promised Land full of "milk and honey"; mostly, they wished they were not in their current predicament. The next video in our pandemic series will show off the places we now dream of going; or vacation places we have been to in past years that we yearn to go again; or if you have had the chance to escape recently, send a video or photo showing where you went and what you did. Please send your videos and photos to Kirsten Trachsel (kirsten@standrewdenton.com, email; (740) 590-5934, text) by next Wednesday, July 29, at Noon.

Officer Nominating Forms Are Now Online

Suggestions are being received for the nomination of five elders and seven deacons for the classes of 2023. Suggestions can be made via the Officer Nominating Form, available online at standrewdenton.com/officer-nominating-form. You can also fill out a printed form and submit it via mail: standrewdenton.com/pdfs/misc/officer-nominating-form-2023.pdf

This year's Officer Nominating Committee is: Jonathon Fite (moderator), Vera Odei, Sylvia Hobdy, Amy Fair, Linda Steger, David Hines, Arminta Jacobson, Teresa Golden, and Sherry Van Atta.

Please complete a form no later than Sunday, August 2.

"Discover Scotland"

with St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Trip Dates | Tuesday, April 27-Wednesday, May 5, 2021

Earlybird Rate Expires July 26, 2020

The Scotland group of St. Andrew travelers and friends postponed the 2020 trip to 2021, because of the pandemic. Forty travelers will make the journey to Scotland for a trip that is planned just for this group. It seems difficult to think about making plans right now, but we want to let everyone know the trip is still scheduled and there are four spaces available. If you are interested in the trip or have questions, contact Lisa Patterson at lisa@standrewdenton.com.

By the Numbers: As of 6/30/20

Income (pledges + other income)	\$422,468
Expenses	\$471,825
Difference	-\$49,357

Attendance 7/19/20 130 Views

Give online at: standrewdenton.com/give



St. Andrew Presbyterian Church is a
Stephen Ministry Congregation.

Help Wanted at the Treehouse Afterschool Program

The Treehouse Afterschool Program is St. Andrew's mission to children of economically disadvantaged families within Denton ISD. Due to COVID-19 licensing regulations, we are temporarily suspending our volunteer program, and are seeking to hire an assistant to the director. This person will be responsible for assisting with implementing the day-to-day activities of the after school program including but not limited to driving the church van for daily pick-up and general supervision of 12 children in grade levels K-5th grade. A full job description will be provided once a resume has been received. Please send inquiries/resumes to Stephanie Raesz, stephanie@standrewdenton.com. This position is part-time at 20 hours/week, and temporary but will last no less than the 2020-2021 school year.

Diaconate Outreach

In an effort to continue to minister to St. Andrew during this time of separation and COVID-19, the deacons would like to extend helping hands. If you are in the high-risk category or immune suppressed and find yourself saying "I need someone to run to the store...pick up my medications...grab my kitty some kibble." Email the deacons at diacodate@standrewdenton.com. Indicate your needed item, pick up instructions, payment method, your address and phone number and we will help locate a volunteer to courier your item to you. This will be a no contact delivery. The volunteer will ring your doorbell and leave the item for you on your porch.

Want to participate? Email the deacon email your contact information if you are willing to participate in this ministry as a volunteer.

Give-a-Meal - \$2.29

St. Andrew donated \$1,396 to the Give-a-Meal program in June! Over \$700 was given during the VBS drive! Thank you for supporting the needs of those who are experiencing food insecurity during this time. A monetary donation of \$2.29 feeds a person in need for a week. Donations can be made by mail or online. Please write Give-a-Meal-a-Month on your envelope or check when giving by mail.

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St. Andrew Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord! 390

Louez le Seigneur!

Musical score for the first system, featuring three staves: Treble clef (top), Treble clef (middle), and Bass clef (bottom). The time signature is 4/4. The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the staves.

Praise, praise, praise the Lord! Praise God's ho - ly name. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Lou - ez le Sei - gneur! Lou - ez son saint nom. Al - le - lu - ia!

Praise, praise, praise the Lord! Praise God's ho - ly name. Al - le - lu - ia!
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Musical score for the second system, featuring three staves: Treble clef (top), Treble clef (middle), and Bass clef (bottom). The time signature is 4/4. The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the staves.

Praise God's ho - ly name. Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God's ho - ly name. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Lou - ez son saint nom. Al - le - lu - ia! Lou - ez son saint nom. Al - le - lu - ia!

Praise God's ho - ly name. Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God's ho - ly name. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Lou - ez son saint nom. Al - le - lu - ia! Lou - ez son saint nom. Al - le - lu - ia!

This song may be repeated, adding a vocal part on each repetition: melody (alto) alone; melody + tenor; melody + lower parts; all voices.

This brief song of praise comes from Cameroon, where it is used primarily as a processional song with rhythmic movement and increasing harmonies. The organizing aesthetic here is repetition, experienced as a means of intensification expressed in multiple languages.

798 All with Joyful Exultation

Refrain *Am* (Psalm 30) *E*

All with joy-ful ex-ul-ta-tion let us sing to God our praise;



to the rock of our sal-va-tion loud ho-san-nas raise.



- 1 Lord, we sing with joy-ful voic-es; your great
- 2 Praise to you, our sure sal-va-tion, you, the
- 3 Change our sor-row to re-joic-ing; clothe with
- 4 Dry our tears we shed in mourn-ing; give us



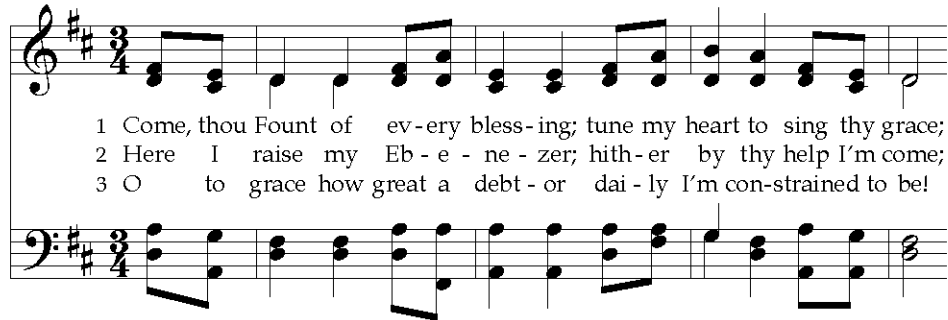
power can lift and save; by your heal-ing
 Ho-ly One a-bove. End the night so
 glad-ness all de-spair; cause un-stead-y
 stead-fast hope al-ways; fill our hearts with



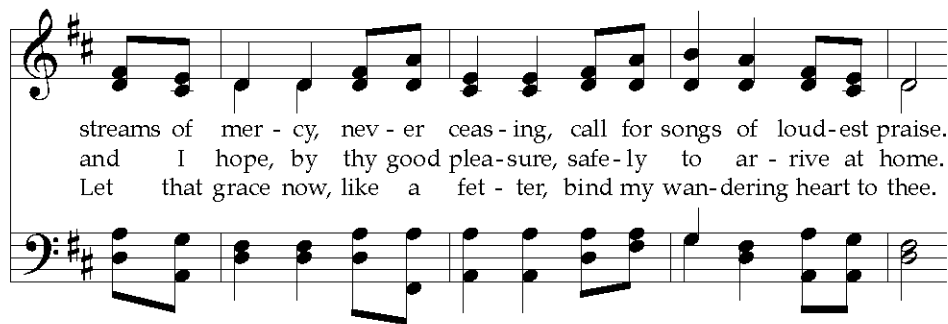
touch, re-vive us; life re-store be-yond the grave.
 dimmed by an-guish, with your light of peace and love.
 feet that stum-ble now to dance be-neath your care.
 ex-pec-ta-tion; fill our songs with thanks and praise.

This joyful paraphrase of Psalm 30 could well illustrate how to fulfill the first question of the Westminster Catechism: that a human being's "chief end" is "to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever." It is set to a Hasidic melody that suggests the ties with Jewish tradition.

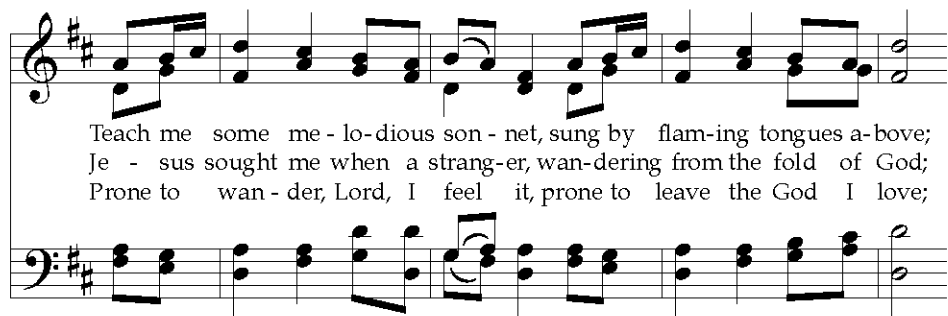
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475



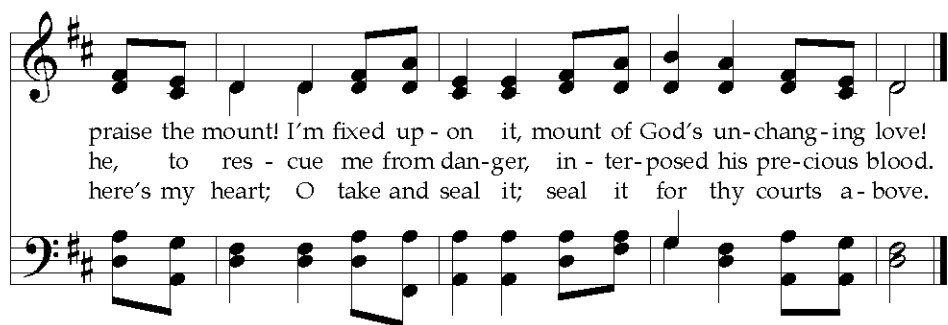
1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith-er by thy help I'm come;
3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be!



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee.



Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;
Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;



praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!
he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter-posed his pre-cious blood.
here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a-bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

1 Samuel 1:1-20

There was a certain man of Ramathaim, a Zuphite from the hill country of Ephraim, whose name was Elkanah son of Jeroham son of Elihu son of Tohu son of Zuph, an Ephraimite. 2 He had two wives; the name of the one was Hannah, and the name of the other Peninnah. Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.

3 Now this man used to go up year by year from his town to worship and to sacrifice to the Lord of hosts at Shiloh, where the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were priests of the Lord. 4 On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; 5 but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. 6 Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb. 7 So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. 8 Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?"

9 After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. 10 She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. 11 She made this vow: "O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head."

12 As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. 13 Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. 14 So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." 15 But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. 16 Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." 17 Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." 18 And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer.

19 They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. 20 In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the Lord."

1 Samuel 2:1-10

Hannah prayed and said,

“My heart exults in the Lord;
my strength is exalted in my God.
My mouth derides my enemies,
because I rejoice in my victory.

2

“There is no Holy One like the Lord,
no one besides you;
there is no Rock like our God.

3

Talk no more so very proudly,
let not arrogance come from your mouth;
for the Lord is a God of knowledge,
and by him actions are weighed.

4

The bows of the mighty are broken,
but the feeble gird on strength.

5

Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread,
but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.
The barren has borne seven,
but she who has many children is forlorn.

6

The Lord kills and brings to life;
he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

7

The Lord makes poor and makes rich;
he brings low, he also exalts.

8

He raises up the poor from the dust;
he lifts the needy from the ash heap,
to make them sit with princes
and inherit a seat of honor.
For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's,
and on them he has set the world.

9

“He will guard the feet of his faithful ones,
but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness;
for not by might does one prevail.

10

The Lord! His adversaries shall be shattered;
the Most High will thunder in heaven.
The Lord will judge the ends of the earth;
he will give strength to his king,
and exalt the power of his anointed.”