



ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DENTON, TEXAS

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 23, 2020

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Romans 12)

As one body we have many members, each uniquely gifted for a particular purpose.

We, who are many, are one body in Christ.

Prophets and poets, thinkers and teachers, artists and advocates, consolers and caregivers.

We, who are many, are one body in Christ.

With thanksgiving we offer our varied gifts in service to Christ, who makes us one.

Let us glorify the Lord!

OPENING PRAYER

Lisa Patterson

HYMN 395

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

LIEBSTER JESU

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, hear our prayer: for the mending of our hearts, torn apart by our unkindness; for the healing of our souls, wasting away from the despair around us; for the forgiveness we seek for the sin we have allowed to persist; for the reconciliation of the world, whose division condemns us. We pray for the courage to admit our fault, the strength to amend our actions, and the hope that your grace awaits us. Through Jesus Christ we pray. 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

Dave McRae

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Luke 8: 1-3

See Insert

ANTHEM

O Rest in the Lord (*Elijah*)
Rachel Nyetam, mezzo-soprano and Stephen Carey, piano

MENDELSSOHN

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

John 20: 11-18

See Insert

SERMON

Go

Richard B. Culp

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

HYMN 697

Take My Life

HENDON

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

(Study Catechism)

Who are the needy?

The hungry need bread, the homeless need a roof, the oppressed need justice, and the lonely need fellowship. At the same time – on another and deeper level – the hopeless need hope, sinners need forgiveness, and the world needs the gospel. On this level no one is excluded, and all the needy are one. Our mission as the church is to bring hope to a desperate world by declaring God's undying love – as one beggar tells another where to find bread. Amen.

MOMENT FOR MISSION

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

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

HYMN 372

O for a World

AZMON

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prayer Concerns

Cici Chavira
Irma Waring
Edie Chavira

Dr. John Bryant
Scott Hendrix
Dorothy Braly

Jean Harden
Suzanne Baroody
Carol Hill

Meghan and Tristan, Caitlin Coyner's sister and nephew
Lee Speir, brother of Ray Speir
Claudia and Alex Hanania, cousins of Rafat Haddad
Katie Mullins, daughter of Susan and Robert Ramsay
Brent Scoggins, father of Brenna Newman
Caroline Ovalle, mother of Terah Hatter,
and Caroline's husband, Gilbert Ovalle
Ann Barnett, sister of Jim Hobdy
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
Patsy and Bud Ables, cousins 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

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 here.

Blessing of the Backpacks and All Church Ice Cream Social

Today

First during Worship and then in the Parking Lot from 1-2:30pm

Blessing of the Backpacks will be done live in the streaming worship service on August 23. Have your backpack, electronic device, or book bag ready during worship that day when we bless the backpacks. Of course, we're blessing the student that carries the backpack or device. We are blessing the disciple to go out into the world in the strength of God's power and love to serve others just as Christ did.

At 1:00-2:30pm, join the whole church family for a safe, socially distanced "Ice Cream Social"! Cups of Beth Marie's homemade ice cream will be given to each person driving through the parking lot. We will take your order from the 3 choices of Beth Marie's favorite flavors and then place your ice cream cup so that you can pick it up as you make your way through the line. We will also pass out the bag tags and cricut decals for your backpacks and devices. Also, pick up a blue clapper that we will use on Rally Day during the Zoom meeting at 9:30am. More details about the clappers will be given in the next few days. Come and join the fun!

Presbyterian Women Zoom Meeting

September 8, 2020 at 10:00am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82642521426>

Meeting ID: 826 4252 1426

All PW and Circle women note that we will have a Zoom meeting on September 8, 2020 at 10:00am. We will be able to mostly cover what we would have done in the September PW meeting as well as the circle meetings. Here is a rough agenda in process for the meeting:

Prayer concerns
Devotional by Betty Culp
General preview of our new Bible study by Lisa Patterson
Catch up with everyone on our current lives
Mizpah

If you have any additional items for this agenda, please email Sylvia Hobdy at snowbunny50@verizon.net anytime before the Zoom meeting. Much love and many blessings!

Save the Date!

Rally Day on Zoom

Sunday, September 13 at 9:30am Online

Get your breakfast and get online to participate in the fun, informative, and inspirational Rally Day on Zoom. We will be interacting live and also showing a few pre-recorded messages. We will sing, meet our teachers, promote our students, and learn about the upcoming adult studies. Don't miss this event!

Request a St. Andrew Clapper for Rally Day Today!

All children received a clapper when books were delivered this week. The clappers will be used on the Rally Day Zoom to "clap" for each other! We will clap as our children and youth are promoted to the next grade level, for our teachers as they are introduced, and each adult class will clap after their teacher briefly describes the study focus for the fall. Each of our groups will be assigned a color to wear Rally Day morning to keep things interesting and energetic! Spirited clapping will be encouraged, and we might even have a prize for the group who claps the most enthusiastically.

Join the fun - request your St. Andrew clapper today and use it online on Rally Day. Let's make some noise and clap for learning more about Jesus!

Treehouse Snacks Needed

For all the years of our existence, Treehouse has relied on many amazing volunteers to provide snacks for our students each afternoon. Due to Covid safety guidelines and consideration for our volunteers, we are temporarily suspending our snack volunteer program. However, our children still need snacks at the end of their school day! The Treehouse is asking for monetary donations to help purchase the prepackaged snacks we will be serving this year. Donations can be made in a couple of ways:

Send a check to the church office with "Treehouse snacks" in the memo line. Make a donation on Realm by selecting "Treehouse" under the "fund" heading. Thank you for continuing to support this important mission of St. Andrew. Questions? Contact Treehouse@standrewdenton.com.

St. Andrew's Next Video Needs Your Dance Moves

The school year is upon us, and with it comes continued challenges as we try to discern the best ways to worship and learn during the pandemic. St. Andrew chooses to meet this challenge not with trepidation, but with dancing! Just as Psalm 149:3 says "Let us praise His name with dancing...", so we will dance into the school year, praising God for all that is given to us. We will showcase your dancing in an upcoming video. Please submit pictures or short videos of you and/or your family dancing. Whether you are a ballroom dancer or a shimmy and shake kind of person, please share it with us! We want to see your unique dance moves! Submissions should be sent to Kirsten Trachsel by Sunday, August 23 by text (740-590-5934) or email (kirsten@standrewdenton.com).

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 diaconate@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.

By the Numbers: As of 7/31/20

Income (pledges + other income)	\$515,690
Expenses	\$522,389
Difference	-\$6,699

Attendance 8/16/20 **156 Views**

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395 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at your word we have come a -
 2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est
 3 Glo - rious Lord, your - self im - part, Light of Light, from

gain to hear you; let our thoughts and hearts be stirred
 dark - ness shroud - ed, till your Spir - it breaks our night,
 God pro - ceed - ing. Touch our lips and ears and heart;

and in glow - ing faith be near you. By your gos - pel
 fill - ing us with light un - cloud - ed. All good thoughts and
 help us by your Spir - it's plead - ing. Hear the cry your

true and ho - ly, teach us, Lord, to love you sole - ly.
 all good liv - ing come but by your gra - cious giv - ing.
 church now rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

Originally conceived to be sung before the sermon, this hymn assumes a congregation that assembles regularly, and it needs to be placed near the beginning rather than the end of worship. The simple repetitive tune reinforces the text's sense of receptivity and expectation.

Take My Life

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1 Take my life and let it be con-se - crat-ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al-ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with-hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as

cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne,
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store;
 take myself and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee,
 ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.

O for a World

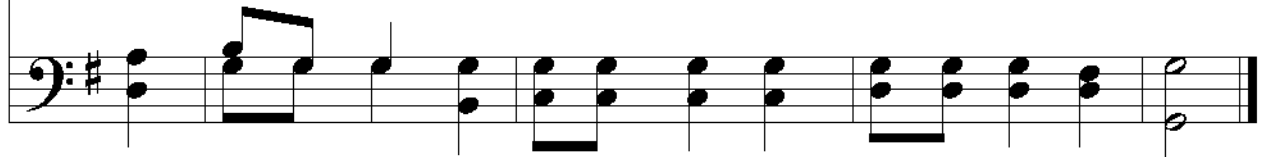
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1 O for a world where ev - ery - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,
3 We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice
4 The poor are rich; the weak are strong; the fool - ish ones are wise.
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,



where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
that o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.
where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.



Everything longed for in this text is a reminder of how far our present world is from what God wants. Yet this is not just wishful thinking; it is a call to action, a summons to participate in the fulfillment of God's desire for all earth's people to live in radical *shalom*.

Scripture Lessons

Luke 8: 1-3

Soon afterwards he went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. The twelve were with him, ²as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, ³and Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their resources.

John 20: 11-18

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹² and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.