



ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DENTON, TEXAS

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

June 1, 2025

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

Auf meine lieben Gott (In my dear God)

J. N. Hanff

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Psalm 97)

The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

Clouds and thick darkness are all around the Lord; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

Fire goes before the Lord and consumes his adversaries on every side.

The Lord's lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord, before the Lord of all the earth.

The heavens proclaim the Lord's righteousness, and all the peoples behold the Lord's glory.

OPENING PRAYER

Lisa Patterson

*HYMN 250

In a Bulb, There Is a Flower

PROMISE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you have shown yourself to us in Jesus, perfect in every way, compassionate and kind, faithful and loving, gracious and hospitable. We stumble and fall as we seek to follow him, struggling to make his ways our ways. Our sins are real; our sins are many; our sins weigh us down and keep us from freely following the path of discipleship. Forgive our sins and lead us to the path of repentance. In Christ's name, 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.

*SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn 589

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Now the Lord is risen indeed.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Wade Hatter

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 16: 16-34

New Testament, page 128

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Let Us Come to the Table
Chancel Choir with Daeun Kim, Piano

Karen Marroli

Let us come to the table of God
For the banquet is spread: Cup of Life, Living Bread.
Let us come to the table of God

Let us feast on the love of our God
Cup of Hope, Bread of Heaven, peace restored, healing
giv'n
Let us feast on the love of our God

Let us go to the people of God
granting love, granting grace in every time and place
Let us go to the people of God
Let us feast on the love of our God
Let us come to the table of God

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 17:20-26

New Testament, page 105

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Knowing

Richard B. Culp

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN 519

You Are My Strength When I Am Weak

JERNIGAN

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Prelude No. 3: Homenagem à Bach
Dan Kyzer, Guitar

Heitor Villa-Lobos

*DOXOLOGY

Hymn 608, *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.

THE SEALING OF THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

Hymn 512

The Bread and the Wine Are Here

LOVE FEAST

Breaking of the Bread and Lifting of the Cup

When communion is served by intinction: You are invited to take a piece of bread and dip it into the chalice of wine or juice. The wine chalice has three rings and will contain white wine; the juice chalice has no rings and will contain red grape juice. As you move back to your pew, notice those who have come to the Lord's Table with you and be reminded of those with whom we share the journey to meet and follow Christ.

Prayer after Communion

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

During Easter we celebrate and affirm that "Christ is risen indeed!"

This is good news because Christ's resurrection is not only for him, it is for us as well.

Through Christ's resurrection, God offers us a new life in which sin and death no longer hold power over us.

Claiming this new life, we are called to follow the risen Christ into the world, sharing the good news of resurrection for all people.

With the Spirit's help, let us join together in this life of discipleship.

*HYMN 526

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

LINSTEAD

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Quasi Allegro

C. Franck

Bold Text indicates congregational participation.

In the Bulb There Is a Flower 250

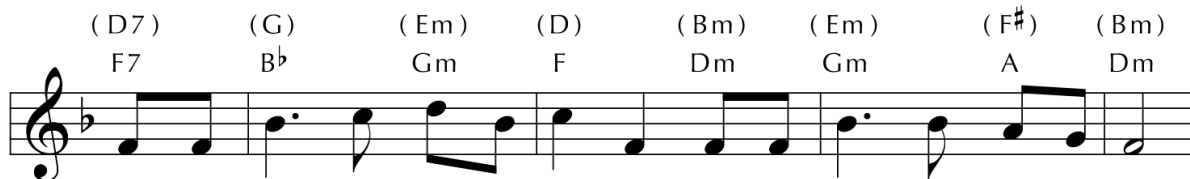
Hymn of Promise



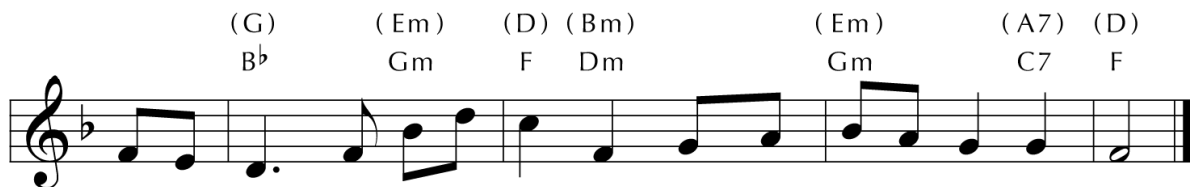
1 In the bulb there is a flow - er; in the seed, an ap - ple tree;
 2 There's a song in ev - ery si - lence, seek - ing word and mel - o - dy;
 3 In our end is our be - gin - ning; in our time, in - fin - i - ty;



in co - coons, a hid - den prom - ise: but - ter - flies will soon be free!
 there's a dawn in ev - ery dark - ness, bring - ing hope to you and me.
 in our doubt there is be - liev - ing; in our life, e - ter - ni - ty.



In the cold and snow of win - ter there's a spring that waits to be,
 From the past will come the fu - ture; what it holds, a mys - ter - y,
 In our death, a res - ur - rec - tion; at the last, a vic - to - ry,



un - re - vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.

The writing of this hymn was spurred by a line from the poet T. S. Eliot: "In my end is my beginning."
 Shortly after this piece was completed, the author/composer's husband was diagnosed with what proved to be a terminal malignancy, and the original anthem version of this hymn was sung at his funeral.

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Alleluia

Aleluya



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Now the Lord is risen in - deed.
A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.

You Are My Strength When I Am Weak 519

You Are My All in All

Capo 5: (C) (G) (Am7) (Em) (C)

F* C Dm7 Am F

You are my strength when I am weak; you are the trea-sure that I

(Dm7) (C) (G7) (C) (G7) (C) (G)

Gm7 F C7 F C7 F C

seek; you are my all in all. When I fall down, you pick me

(Am7) (Em) (C) (Dm7) (C) (G7) (F) (C)

Dm7 Am F Gm7 F C7 B^b F

up; when I am dry, you fill my cup; you are my all in all.

(C) (G) (Am7) (Em) (Dm7) (C) (G) (C) (G7)

F* C Dm7 Am Gm7 F C F C7

Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is your name!

(C) (G) (Am7) (Em) (Dm7) (C) (G7) (F) (C)

F C Dm7 Am Gm7 F C7 B^b F

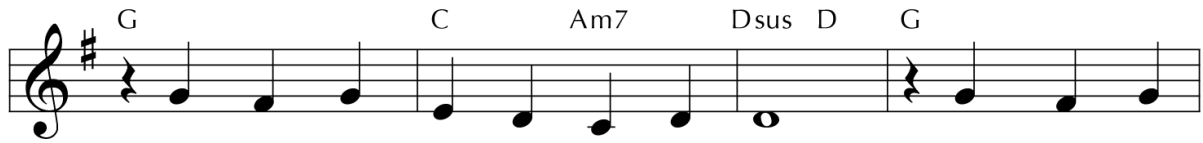
Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is your name!

**May be sung as a canon.*

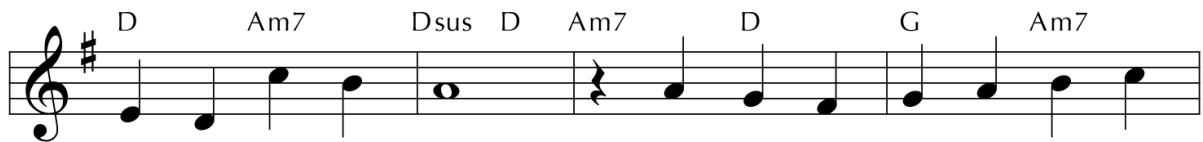
The expression "all in all," meaning "everything," owes much of its endurance in English usage to its appearance in 1 Corinthians 15:28, though many phrases leading up to it here have parallels in Hebrew Scripture. The second section echoes the song to the Lamb in Revelation 5:12.

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all



peo - ple here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er -



more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

TEXT: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988
MUSIC: Hal H. Hopson, 2008
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Music © 2008 Hal H. Hopson

PRAISE GOD (Hopson)
LM

512 The Bread and the Wine Are Here

The bread and the wine are here; (The feast is here.)

come now, all who hun - ger and thirst.

Come need - y; come now with - out fear.

Drink joy, as the last be - come first! (The last are first!)

Refrain

Come in; sit down; there's room at the ta - ble;

en - joy the feast love has spread for you.

526 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a
 2 Christ is a - ble to make us one; at the ta - ble he
 3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a



shout of joy: bread is bro - ken; the wine is poured;
 sets the tone, teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless,
 world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share:



Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
 love in word and in deed ex - press. Je - sus lives a - gain;
 God (Im - man - u - el) ev - ery - where!



earth can breathe a - gain; pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Maracas and other rhythm instruments may be used. ||: ♩. ♩. ♩. :||

This "communion calypso" (as the author called it) affirms the continuing presence of Christ both in the sacramental meal and in the lives of Christians. Because this text was written to fit a pre-existing tune, it has a rather telegraphic style that encourages pondering.

Acts 16: 16-34

¹⁶One day as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a female slave who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you^[a] the way of salvation." ¹⁸She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. ²⁰When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men, these Jews, are disturbing our city ²¹and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us, being Romans, to adopt or observe." ²²The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶Suddenly there was an earthquake so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. ²⁷When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹The jailer^[b] called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹They answered, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." ³²They spoke the word of the Lord^[c] to him and to all who were in his house. ³³At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴He brought them up into the house and set food before them, and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

John 17: 20-26

²⁰"I ask not only on behalf of these but also on behalf of those who believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us,^[a] so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you, and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them and I in them."

Prime Time
Friday, June 5

Prime Time is a group of our older adults that gathers monthly over a casual lunch for fellowship. This is a great opportunity for those over 50 to meet other people in the congregation. We will next gather on Friday, June 6 at 12:00pm (noon) at North Point Cafe at 2000 W. University Dr, in Denton, (www.northpoint-cafe.com). We hope you can join us! Please RSVP to Brad Dunn at (acapulcosunset@gmail.com) by noon on June 5 if you plan to attend.

Presbyterian 101
Beginning Sunday, June 8

The Membership Committee offers the Presbyterian 101 Class for those who are new to St. Andrew and the Presbyterian Church or for those who are veterans of St. Andrew and the Presbyterian Church, but want to learn more about the history and theology of the Church and St. Andrew in particular. This special summer session will be held on June 8, 15, and 22. Those wanting to join will then meet with the Session to be received into the membership. Classes meet at 9:15am in the Parlor. Contact the church office to sign up or to ask questions.

St. Andrew Summer Mini Camp
Science All Around
Wednesday, June 18

St. Andrew's Summer Mini Camp, 'SCIENCE ALL AROUND,' is open for registration! Join us on Wednesday, June 18, from 10:00am-Noon. Campers grades K-5th will have a blast at this STEAM-focused camp, where they will explore the wonders of science through interactive experiments. Register using the link below!

standrewdenton.com/mini-camp

Vacation Bible School 2025

This year's curriculum is titled "Waves of Wonder VBS: Living in God's Light." At Waves of Wonder VBS, we will explore scriptures in which God provides water for plants, animals and people. Through worship and drama, story, art, science, games, music and mission, our campers will deepen their understanding of the importance of water and be invited to join God in caring for this precious natural resource.

Join us for VBS, June 23 - 27, 9:00am-Noon. Registration kicks off the week at 8:45am on Monday, June 23 in the Narthex. We'll also have a VBS wrap-up Event on the evening of Friday, June 27. Questions? Contact Alison McStravick, alison.mcstravick@gmail.com, or Sarah Anne Adams, sarahan-neadams@me.com. Sign up your student today using the link below!

standrewdenton.com/vbs

Pizza and Play
Wednesday, June 11
5:30pm-7:00pm, Rec Center

Calling St. Andrew pizza fans of all ages! This summer we will be holding two 'Pizza & Play' events where friends of all ages are invited to join us for pizza, play and fellowship. Mark your calendars for June 11 and July 9 from 5:30pm-7:00pm, and we will see you there! Registration is available on Realm!

Apple Tree Project

For over 25 years, with the help from area churches and places of worship, Interfaith Ministries of Denton (IFM) has assisted thousands of students in Denton ISD. School begins in August so in June the Diaconate of St. Andrew chose to participate in the Apple Tree Backpack Project. The IFM has a goal of 5,000 backpacks for 2025. Our Goal is at least 250 backpacks.

There are three ways St. Andrew can help:

- Donate \$25.00 Amazon gift cards.
- Buy a backpack (must be 17" in size) and bring to church and put in designated box.
- Visit our Give page or donate on Realm. Suggested donation: \$25.00.

Questions? Contact coordinators Linda Heilig, l.heilig@verizon.net, or Susan Ramsay, susanramsay11@yahoo.com. The deadline is Monday, June 30.

Footsteps of Paul in Greece
October 8-21, 2025

Registration closes: June 21, 2025

Join the group from St. Andrew on a guided tour designed to experience the earliest home of Christianity outside of Israel. This 14-day pilgrimage traces the footsteps of Paul across Greece, including the ruins of Ephesus, Philippi, Thessaloniki, Berea, and more. On the way to Athens, we will spend time in the Meteora region, with its Byzantine monasteries, and we will explore the Acropolis, Roman Forum, Mars Hill, ancient Corinth. The pilgrimage concludes with a 3-night cruise including Mykonos, Ephesus, Patmos, Crete, and Santorini. Questions? Pickup a brochure in the narthex or contact Lisa Patterson or Richard Culp.

Items Needed for Our Daily Bread

The diaconate is collecting items for Our Daily Bread. Items may be donated in the box in the Narthex. Current needs are: travel size shampoo, travel size body wash, ethnic hair care products, women's new underwear (sizes S, M, L), men's new underwear (all sizes), sports bras (all sizes), food safe rubber gloves, napkins.

Prayer Requests

Arminta Jacobson	Chuck Smith
Steve Pickett	Perry McNeill
Dave McRae	Sunny Hueholt
Caia McCullar	Beverly Noah
Connie Charat	Diann Arthur
Karyn Nelson	Steve Davis

Tate Milo Sharp, great nephew of Harriett Laney
 Tyler Wade and Ashley Sharp, parents of Tate Milo Sharp
 Laura Whitaker, daughter of Liz Whitaker
 Nancy Noah, mother of John Noah
 Parker Riggs, brother of Beth Ann Black
 Barry Wachal, friend of Chuck Smith
 Sophia Lilley, mother of Lisa Haddad
 Rosemary Meals, friend of Lisa Haddad
 Lori Garrett, sister of Shim Garrett
 Mary Joan Fallon, family member
 of Trish and Glenn Highland
 Ryker Elliott, grandson of Sue Elliott
 Cindy Fisher, sister of Harriet Laney
 Lee Barnett, cousin of Mike Barnett
 Jon Conway, friend of Scott Campbell
 Charlene Simpson and family, niece of Jan Lewis
 Tecla Chavira, mother of Frank Chavira
 Carole Hatcher, sister in law of Chuck Smith
 Shannon Fronz, friend of Barnett family
 Bill Tilley, uncle of Sara Armstrong
 Keren Billyack, friend of Connie Charat
 Richard Gascoyne, friend of Chuck Stoughton
 Carol Syverson, mother-in-law of Karen Raabe
 Peter DiClenti, cousin of Steve Pickett
 Laura Bruening, mother of Lisa Dorr
 John Tillman, brother of Russ Tillman
 Debbie Kyzer, mother of Dan Kyzer
 Ed Simpson, brother of Jan Lewis
 Karen Whitson Ansley, niece of Lynn Carrico
 Norma Watts, mother of Jill Richmond
 Rylen Lewis, grandson of Mark Lewis
 Ben Reynolds, relative of Clarice Luce
 Megan Terry Crawford,
 friend of Betty Sue and Mike Grandey
 Kim Hundley Owens, niece of Barbara Sims

WELCOME!

We proclaim that ALL people are created in the image of God and affirm that each person is a beloved child of God. 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.

If you wish to join St. Andrew today, please contact one of the ministers.

Children's Chapel

During the worship service, children ages three years through kindergarten are invited to go to chapel immediately following the Time with Young Disciples.

The Sower

Kim Luevano and Jill Richmond

Godly Play seeks to tell the stories of the faith so that children hear and remember these stories and become engaged in them. It also provides a place and opportunities for children to begin exploring the purpose and meaning of worship. Parents may come upstairs to the Children's Chapel to pick children up following the worship service.

By the Numbers: As of 4/30/25

Income (pledges + other income)	\$346,432
Expenses	\$348,223
Difference	-\$1,791

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