

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Denton, Texas

PENTECOST SUNDAY

June 8, 2025

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

Prelude in F Eugene Thayer

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Call to Worship Andy Trachsel

Wild and free, creative and refreshing, God's Spirit blows through this place.

Come, Holy Spirit!

Gentle and mysterious, patient and caring, God's Spirit moves in our hearts.

Come, Holy Spirit!

Breaking barriers and making connections, healing divisions and making us one, God's Spirit flows between us.

Come, Holy Spirit!

OPENING PRAYER

*Hymn 292 As the Wind Song WAIRUA TAPU

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of fire and wind, holy and powerful, mighty and mysterious, we are drawn by your Spirit to this place. As we gather and behold your glory, we become aware of our sin. We have ignored your word. We have rejected your gifts. We have failed in your work. Ignoring the truth of Pentecost, we exclude those different from us. We divide our loyalties, and we divide our hearts. Let your Spirit burn away our sins and fill us with faith and courage, so that we might live into the promise of this day and receive the fullness of all that you have prepared for us in Jesus Christ. 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

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Acts 2: 1-22

New Testament, page 111

Anthem Come, Dove of Heaven Mark A. Miller

Chancel Choir with Daeun Kim, Piano

Come Dove of Heaven, Breath of peace. Sing through us, we pray... today.

Come Light creator, Source of peace. Shine on us, we pray... today.

Breath, Source, and Word, come God of Peace. Make us new, we pray.

Come Love incarnate, Word of peace. Dwell in us, we pray... today.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Second Scripture Lesson

John 14: 15-26

New Testament, page 103

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON You Left Us What? Richard B. Culp

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn 288 Spirit of the Living God LIVING GOD

*The Affirmation of Faith

The Study Catechism

We believe that the Holy Spirit was given to the first Christians on the day of Pentecost. That same Spirit filled the first Christians with joy by revealing what Jesus has done for us. We believe the Spirit inspired them to understand and proclaim the gospel, and to live a new life together in thanksgiving to God. The Holy Spirit also moves us to understand and believe the gospel, gives us strength and wisdom to live by it, and unites us into the community we call the church. Amen.

Prayers of the People and 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

Offertory Breath on Me, Breath of God Jackson arr. Burton

Daeun Kim and Christine Le, Piano

*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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn 291 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness SPIRIT

*Benediction

Postlude Trumpet Tune Connor Licharz

Bold Text indicates congregational participation.

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As the Wind Song



Reversing the usual order, this hymn began with the music rather than the words. The composer (from Singapore) sent this tune to the author (in New Zealand) to see what text it might inspire from her. She also suggested the tune name, a Maori phrase meaning "Holy Spirit."



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Alleluia

Aleluya





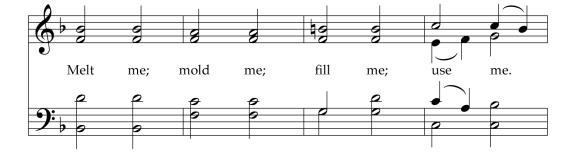
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu - ia. Now the Lord is risen in-deed. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.



Spirit of the Living God









KOREAN

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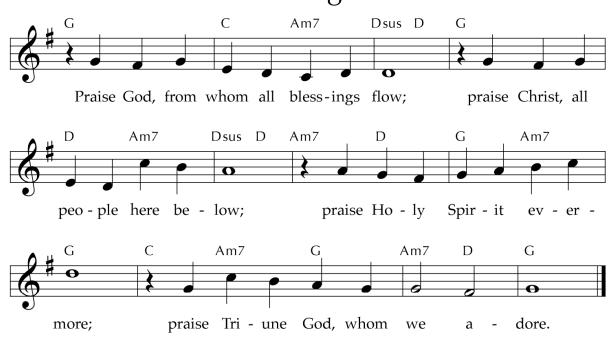
SPANISH

Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí. Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí. Tómame, cámbiame, lléname, úsame. Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.

Both the words and the music of this prayer-song were written by a Presbyterian minister from Tarboro, North Carolina. The words were initially inspired by Jeremiah 18:1-6; a friend helped him set them to music during an evangelistic meeting in Orlando, Florida, where the song was first sung.

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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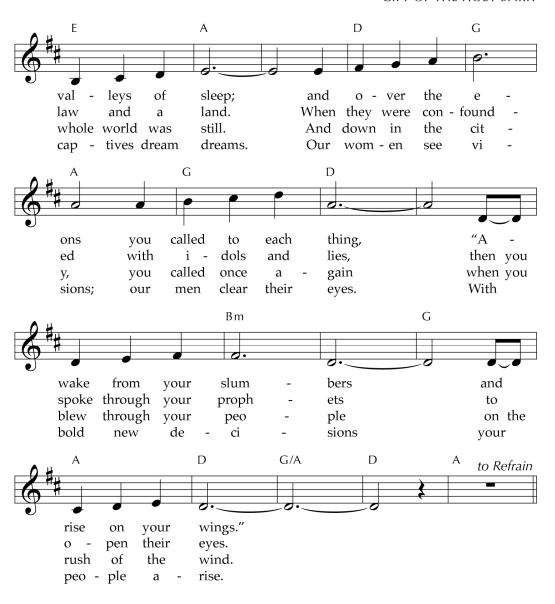


TEXT: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988 MUSIC: Hal H. Hopson, 2008 Text © 1990 Neil Weatherhogg Music © 2008 Hal H. Hopson PRAISE GOD (Hopson)

291 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness



As the author/composer reminds us in the refrain, the Spirit is both gentle and restless. The stanzas reinforce a sense of the Spirit's activity through a wide range of verbs, initially in the past tense; but they become more urgent in the present tense of the fourth stanza.



Acts 2: 1-22

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² 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. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews^[a] and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

17' 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.
18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.
19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²² "Fellow Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—

John 14: 15-26

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

¹⁸ "I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them." ²² Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, "Lord, how is it that you will reveal yourself to us and not to the world?" ²³ Jesus answered him, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Whoever does not love me does not keep my words, and the word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵ "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you.

Dr. Patterson will be out of the office at Mo-Ranch Women's Conference through June 9. She will return on June 10.

The rosebud in the chancel announces the birth of Charlie Grace Okpala, daughter of Caitlin Culp and Charles Okpala; granddaughter of Leslie and Richard Culp; great-granddaughter of Betty Culp.

Pentecost Offering Help Support Children at Risk Received Today

A special offering will be taken on Pentecost Sunday, June 8. This special offering benefits children at risk, youth, and young adults. 60% of the Pentecost Offering will be given to the Presbyterian Mission Agency to help fund ministries benefiting youth, young adults, and child advocacy/children at risk programs. The remaining 40% will be donated to a local organization that works with children at risk. This year, the Session at St. Andrew approved the Mission Committee's recommendation to donate our portion of the Pentecost Offering to Denton Christian Preschool. Please consider supporting children at risk, youth, and young adults through a donation. Contributions can be made by placing a check or cash, designated "Pentecost Offering", in the offering plate, or by making an online donation on the St. Andrew website giving page.

Theology on Tap Monday, June 9

6:30pm, Denton County Brewing Company

Theology On Tap will meet on Monday, June 9, 6:30pm, at Denton County Brewing Company (in the back room). Our topic is, "Cultural Christianity." We will be discussing the trend of people saying they are Christ-followers while disengaging from church attendance. We hope you will join us on Monday for this conversation!

Save the Date! 5th Sunday Mission Event ODB Blessing Bag Assembly Sunday, June 29, 10:00 am, Fellowship Hall

Mark your calendar for our next 5th Sunday Mission Event, June 29, 10:00am. We will be assembling shower kit "Blessing Bags" for Our Daily Bread. Breakfast items will be served. We hope you join the fun! Questions? Contact Kirsten Brown, brownk444@aol.com.

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!

Super Wednesday Summer Bingo Night Wednesday, June 18

St. Andrew members of all ages are invited to join us on Wednesday, June 18, for a special night of bingo and fellowship! We'll enjoy dinner and games starting at 5:30pm. June 18's menu: Egg and hashbrown casserole, sausage, biscuits, gravy, fruit salad, brownies. Registration available on Realm!

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

St. Andrew's Summer Mini Camp, 'SCIENCE ALL AROUND,' is open for registrastion! 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 at standrewdenton.com/mini-camp.

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.

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, sarahanneadams@me.com. Sign up your student today at standrewdenton.com/vb s.

Men's Study Group

The Men's Study Group continues to meet each Wednesday morning from 8:00am-9:00am at The Great Egg, located at 1800 S. Loop 288. As a study source we are utilizing the Revised Common Lectionary. We urge St. Andrew men of all ages to join us for table fellowship and Bible study.

Nominate Officers to the Class of 2028

Nominations are now being accepted for elders and deacons to the class of 2028. Individuals may nominate members who have a proven commitment to Jesus Christ and to the church. Clear evidence of the nominee's involvement in the life of St. Andrew is critical as the calling is not to privilege, but to service. Suggestions are being received for the nomination of five elders and seven deacons. Please complete your nomination by visiting the link below and submitting by Sunday, June 15. Visit standrewdenton.com/officer-nominating-form/ to nominate someone.

Give-a-Meal - \$2.29

St. Andrew donated \$503.38 to the Give-a-Meal program in May! 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. To give online, visit standrewdenton.com/give and be sure to choose Give-a-Meal from the fund options to the right of your monetary donation.

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.

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

Sam Bays	Karyn Nelson
Diana Dunklau	Chuck Smith
Brian Brooks	Perry McNeill
Steve Pickett	Harriet Laney
Dave McRae	Beverly Noah
Caia McCullar	Diann Arthur
Connie Charat	Steve Davis

Marilyn Boots, friend of many at St. Andrew 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 Eva Rusk, mother of Stephanie Raesz 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 The family of Sunny Hueholt

Welcome!

Te 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 Mystery of Pentecost

Lynda Schupp and Leigh Kitchens

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)\$346,432Expenses\$348,223Difference-\$1,791

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