



ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DENTON, TEXAS

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
July 12, 2026

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

Grand Prelude

Charles-Alexandre Fessy

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Psalm 25)

As we gather, we come together as people of the cross and resurrection.

We offer our lives to you, Lord. Our God, we trust in you.

Make your ways known to us, Lord; teach us your ways.

and filled with God's love through the Spirit. Lead us in your truth.

Teach it to us because you are the God who saves.

We put our hope in you always.

OPENING PRAYER

Richard B. Culp

*HYMN 413

Come Into God's Presence

COME INTO HIS PRESENCE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess to you that we are not of the same mind. You have always loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not always loved you. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love others, but we walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, forgive us. Continue to be at work in us, that we might serve each other as you served us, and reflect your glory in this world. 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 584)

CUEQUITA

Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God on high!

Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God on high!

And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well pleased.

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PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

DeLila Bergan

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

Psalms 25:1-9

Old Testament, page 475

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

ANTHEM

You, the Lord, are my Shepherd
Robby Napoli, tenor

Robert Lau

You, the Lord, are my shepherd I have everything I need. You make me rest in green fields, and you lead me to water so still. And when danger comes to me, You, Lord, will help me.	And when danger comes to me, You, Lord, will save me. You lead me to a safe place, a safe place to live with you. There I will be with you forever. You, the Lord, forever.
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SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Philippians 2:1-13

New Testament, page 186

SERMON

"Take Thou Our Minds"

Chrissy Stevens

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN 707

Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

HALL

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(Confession of 1967)

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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 AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

I'll Fly Away
Daeun Kim, piano

arr. Mark Hayes

*SUNG RESPONSE (Hymn 607)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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 THANKSGIVING

*HYMN 39

Great is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Maestoso from Six Preludes

Hermann Schroeder

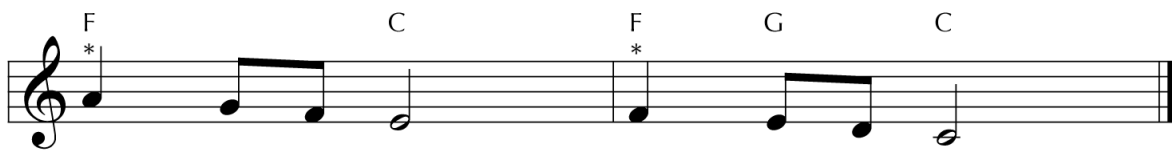
*Bold Text indicates congregational participation. *Those who are able are asked to stand.*

The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God by Sandy Spiegel in loving memory of her mother, Wanda Helen Spiegel.

Come into God's Presence 413



- 1 Come in - to God's pres-ence sing - ing "Al - le - lu - ia,
- 2 Come in - to God's pres-ence sing - ing "Je - sus is Lord,
- 3 Praise the Lord to - geth - er sing - ing "Wor - thy the Lamb,
- 4 Praise the Lord to - geth - er sing - ing "Glo - ry to God,



al - le - lu - ia,	al - le - lu - ia."
Je - sus is Lord,	Je - sus is Lord."
wor - thy the Lamb,	wor - thy the Lamb."
glo - ry to God,	glo - ry to God."

**May be sung as a canon.*

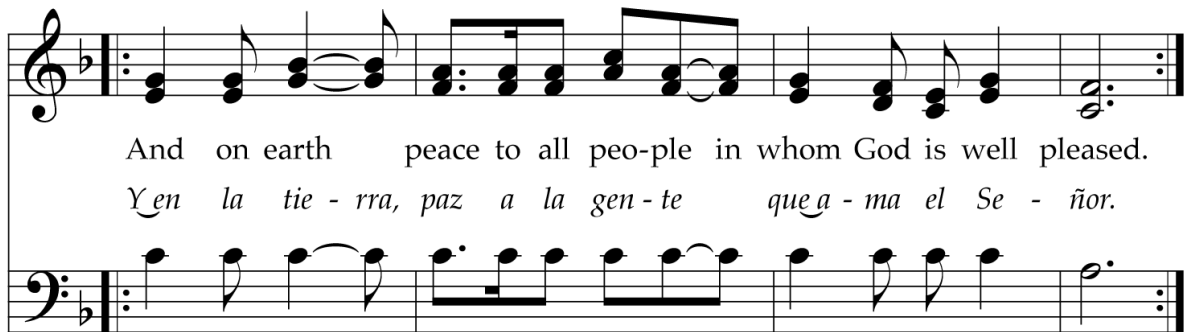
This anonymous worship chorus is thought to have been created extemporaneously during the 1960s and was one of the earliest songs of that kind. The opening line of the text is a paraphrase of Psalm 100:2, and the very act of singing this song fulfills that verse's invitation.

Glory, Glory, Glory

584



Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry be to God on high!
¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, en las al - tu - ras a Dios!



And on earth peace to all peo-ple in whom God is well pleased.
Y en la tie - rra, paz a la gen - te que a - ma el Se - ñor.

TEXT: Based on Luke 2:14; Pablo Sosa, 1989
MUSIC: Pablo Sosa, 1989
Text and Music © 1989 GIA Publications, Inc.

CUEQUITA

707 Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

1 Take thou our minds, dear Lord, we hum - bly pray;
 2 Take thou our hearts, O Christ; they are thine own;
 3 Take thou our wills, Most High! Hold thou full sway;
 4 Take thou our - selves, O Lord, heart, mind, and will;

give us the mind of Christ each pass - ing day;
 come thou with - in our souls and claim thy throne;
 have in our in - most souls thy per - fect way;
 through our sur - ren - dered souls thy plans ful - fill.

teach us to know the truth that sets us free;
 help us to shed a - broad thy death-less love;
 guard thou each sa - cred hour from self - ish ease;
 We yield our - selves to thee: time, tal - ents, all;

grant us in all our thoughts to hon - or thee.
 use us to make the earth like heaven a - bove.
 guide thou our or - dered lives as thou dost please.
 we hear, and hence - forth heed, thy sov - ereign call.

This hymn began with the tune, which the composer hummed to the author with a request for a text that would challenge the hearts and minds of young people. The text of the first three stanzas was written that day, and the fourth stanza later emerged at a youth conference.

607

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Doxology

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. A - men.

TEXT: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551
Text © 1990 Neil Weatherhogg

OLD HUNDREDTH
LM

39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22–23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

Refrain



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!
오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주



Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.
날 마 다 자 비 를 베푸 시 며



All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.
일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니



Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!
오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

Psalm 25:1-9

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
2 O my God, in you I trust;
do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.
3 Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.
4 Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.
5 Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.
6 Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.
- 7 Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!
8 Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
9 He leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble his way.

Philippians 2:1-13

- 2 If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, 2 make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. 3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. 4 Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others. 5 Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
- 6 who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped,
- 7 but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human,
- 8 he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.
- 9 Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, 10 so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Shining as Lights in the World
- 12 Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence but much more now in my absence, work on your own salvation with fear and trembling, 13 for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Prayer Teams

As we look toward the fall, the Session is inviting the congregation into a period of prayerful reflection around a central question: What is St. Andrew's vision for who God is calling us to be in the coming years? In the fall, this process will include town hall meetings with the congregation to discuss the hopes and dreams for the vision, dedicated time by the Session focused on developing this vision, and a sermon series on vision.

A critical part of this vision journey will be prayers for God's guidance and direction. Prayer has shaped and formed God's people since creation, and we at St. Andrew make prayer a foundational part of our life together. As we enter a season of discernment, the Session is inviting members who feel called to participate in a short-term prayer ministry. Prayer teams of approximately 6 to 8 individuals will pray for the Session, the congregation, and God's guidance as we listen faithfully for what God may be revealing to St. Andrew during this time. We hope to begin organizing the prayer teams in mid-July with a commitment from prayer team members to be involved in the prayer process through the fall. Each prayer team will have a moderator assigned who will be responsible for the ongoing communications with the prayer team and helping organize how the prayer team will pray together. The Session will provide prompts for the prayer team based on the visioning process the Session is following, but the prayer team's primary responsibility will be to pray for God's guidance and listen for what God might be telling St. Andrew through its prayer teams.

Those interested in participating are encouraged to contact the church office or speak to Dr. Culp or Dr. Patterson directly. Session and pastoral leadership may also extend personal invitations to members to join in this important task of prayer.

We know that St. Andrew already has active prayer teams who meet weekly to pray for those on our prayers lists. These prayer teams are in addition to those ongoing prayer groups. We covet all your prayers as this season unfolds.

Calling All Quilters

The Baptism Quilt Ministry needs volunteers to help sew small simple quilts to be presented to those being baptized at St. Andrew. For more information, please contact Leigh Kitchens at lwkitchens@gmail.com or 940-597-6036.

Apple Tree Project

June 15-July 15

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church joins Interfaith Ministries in "The Apple Tree Project" that seeks to provide DISD students with backpacks when school starts this August. Last year the St. Andrew congregation donated 171 backpacks to this worthy cause. Thank you! How can you help this year? (1.) Donate a \$25 Amazon gift card (2.) Donate a 17" size backpack and place it in the Apple Tree Box in the Narthex (3.) Make a \$25 donation on Realm before July 15th. Questions: Call Brenda Crawford 214-675-9010.

St. Andrew Community Pantry

The St. Andrew community pantry is up and ready to serve the Denton community. It is located on the north end of the parking lot under a tree. Thanks to everyone who has already donated, we should be able to keep it stocked for a long time. Please look for future Shield articles when we are in need of further donations.

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: women's and men's underwear, (all sizes). beard nets, food safe rubber gloves, hand soap and condiment containers.

Give-a-Meal-a-Month

\$3.00 Feeds One Person in Need for a Day

St. Andrew donated \$551.89 to the Give-a-Meal-a-Month program in June which fed about 184 people for a day. Because of our donation, the Denton Community Food Center will be able to provide fresh, nutritious choices to numerous local families facing hunger insecurity. Donations can be made by mail or online. Please write Give-a-Meal 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.

Prayer Requests

Harriet Laney
Carole Hatcher, sister-in-law of Chuck Smith

Ann Wirz

Kathi Sale

Robert Ramsay
Ryder Shaw, friend of the Hooper family

We are grateful for the opportunity to pray for and with the people on our prayer list each Sunday. Our Sunday morning prayers are joined through the week by members and the prayer teams that meet each week. Names will remain on the list for four weeks. If there is a need and desire to add the name back to the list, please let the church office know, and we will add the name to the list.

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.

Jacob

Karen Raabe and Laurie LaMonica

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 5/31/2026

Income (pledges + other income)	\$430,893
Expenses	\$460,566
Difference	-\$29,673

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