

# St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

JUNE 14, 2020

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## WELCOME

## OPENING VOLUNTARY

*Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Arranged by Dale Wood

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Whether we live in an apartment or a house; if we reside in the suburbs or the city:

**God tells us to pray for the places where we live.**

Whether we are exiles or prisoners for the gospel; if we are young, old, insider, outcast:

**God says, 'when you search for me, you will find me.'**

Whether we have been wandering and lost; or if we have lived in the same place all our lives:

**God says, 'I will gather you from all your places and bring you home.'**

Let us worship God.

## HYMN

*O Word of God Incarnate*

MUNICH

O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,  
O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky:  
We praise you for the radiance that from the hallowed page,  
A lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.

The church from you, dear Savior, received this gift divine;  
And still that light is lifted on all the earth to shine.  
It is the chart and compass that, all life's voyage through,  
Amid the rocks and quicksands still guides, O Christ, to you.

O make your church, dear Savior, a lamp of purest gold  
To bear before the nations your true light, as of old;  
O teach your wandering pilgrims by this our path to trace,  
Till, clouds and storms thus ended, we see you face to face.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God beyond borders, we know that in our daily lives, we may not notice the exiles in our neighborhoods. We admit how easy it is for us to wander down the streets of temptation, pausing at the corner of easy choices. We fall silent in the presence of those who speak words of anger and hate. We tolerate a culture that suspects all who are different from us.

Have mercy on us, O God, for surely you take the side of justice. Open our hearts to all the wonders you are performing in our lives. You gift us with those of other cultures, that our lives might be blessed. You send us friends out of places we least expect, that our community might be enriched. You call us to be generous with our blessings, so others might be graced with the gift of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

*Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## JOYFUL RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*My Faith Looks up to Thee*

OLIVET

While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread,  
Be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day;  
Wipe sorrow's tears away; nor let me ever stray from thee aside.

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Carol Gordon

*Thy Word*

THY WORD

## EPISTLE READING

Romans 5:1-8

## MUSICAL OFFERING

*Let Your Faith Be Stronger Than Your Fear*

Tom Treaney

CHILDREN’S LESSON

SERMON

*The Next Right Thing*

Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

LITANY OF WELCOME FOR OUR SEMINARY INTERN

Leader: We gather together to worship the Living God.

People: **We come from different places with different concerns, but we come to worship God as a community of faith.**

Leader: God has done wondrous things as the reign of God has touched our community and called us to service.

**People: God has blessed us as individuals and as a community.**

Leader: God continues to bless us in many and specific ways. And on this day we celebrate that John McCrosky is beginning a new season in our midst.

Intern: *I give thanks to God for this opportunity to serve and learn amidst this community of faith.*

People: **Our church, our virtual meeting places, our spaces for learning, our worship, our minds, and our lives are open to you, John.**

Intern: As one preparing for a life of service as a minister of Jesus Christ, I seek to earn your trust.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD’S CHURCH, COMMUNITY AND WORLD

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.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Offertory Response *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.

PRAISE GOD

Prayer of Dedication

HYMN

*Guide my Feet*

GUIDE MY FEET

Guide my feet while I run this race; (yes, my Lord!)  
Guide my feet while I run this race; (yes, my Lord!)  
Guide my feet while I run this race,  
For I don’t want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

2 Hold my hand . . .

3 Stand by me . . .

4 I’m your child . . .

5 Search my heart . . .

6 Guide my feet . . .

COMMISSIONING OF CORINNA PAPOTTO AS GENERAL ASSEMBLY YOUNG ADULT DELEGATE

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

DENNIS

Blest be the tie that binds, Our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds, Is like to that above.

When we must be apart, it gives us inward pain;  
But we shall still be joined in heart, until we meet again.