# St. Andrews Presbyterian Church September 6, 2020 Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost Hymn Sing

WELCOME

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** Prelude on *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* 

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HOLY GROUND

FAITHFULNESS

Introit We Are Standing on Holy Ground

We are standing on holy ground,

And I know that there are angels all around; Let us praise Jesus now;

We are standing in his presence on holy ground.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in the presence of God:

who knows us when we wake up and when we go to sleep,

and in all the moments in between.

We gather as children of God:

who has created a family for us,

which transcends geography and social distance.

We gather to be the people of God:

who appeals to us to follow in love, in faith, in service.

Hymn Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with thee.

Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not.

As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning, new mercies I see.

All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above

Join with all nature in manifold witness To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (*Refrain*)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,

Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,

Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:

Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (*Refrain*)

# SUNG PRAYER OF CONFESSION Change My Heart, O God

FAITHFULNESS

Refrain: Change my Heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my Heart, O God; may I be like you.

You are the Potter; I am the clay Mold me and make me; this is what I pray (*Refrain*)

Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession

## **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS** Hear the Good News of Salvation

NETTLETON

Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love. Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above. Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin! How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.

All the sins I have committed, to my Savior now I bring. I bow down with tears of anguish; Christ forgives and so I sing: Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin! How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.

JOYFUL RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK

MUNICH

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand; All other ground is sinking sand.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O Word of God Incarnate
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.

Psalm Reading Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24 Pat Baker

**MUSICAL OFFERING** 

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.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes; our mutual burdens bear. And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

When we are called to part, it gives us inward pain; But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free; And perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.

**EPISTLE READING** Colossians 2:1-7 Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** 

I Believe in God the Father

GENEVAN 42

I believe in God the Father, merciful and mighty Lord, Maker of the earth and heavens, whom we worship and adore; And in Jesus Christ the Son, only Savior, sovereign one, By the Holy Spirit given, born of Mary, blessed virgin.

Under Pilate, Jesus suffered, faithful to his final breath.

He was crucified and buried, and descended into death.

From the grave he did arise; and ascended through the skies;

Now enthroned with God in heaven, he will judge the dead and living.

I believe in God the Spirit, and the church in every place; Saints in glorious communion, all forgiven, full of grace; Flesh and blood will live again; life in Christ will never end. Holy Spirit, Son and Father: I will praise your name forever.

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

# 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.

# **Prayer of Dedication**

Sweet Hour of Prayer

SWEET HOUR

PRAISE GOD

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!
That calls me from a world of care,
And bids me at my Father's throne
Make all my wants and wishes known.
In seasons of distress and grief,
My soul has often found relief,
And oft escaped the tempter's snare
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

# THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

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.

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 for give 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.

## Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

# **Communion of the People**

#### **Communion Hymn**

In Remembrance of Me

In remembrance of me, eat this bread. In remembrance of me, drink this wine. In remembrance of me, pray for the time When God's own will is done.

In remembrance of me, heal the sick. In remembrance of me, feed the poor. In remembrance of me, open the door And let your neighbors in, let them in.

Take, eat, and be comforted;
Drink and remember too,
That this is my body and precious blood
Shed for you, shed for you.

In remembrance of me, search for truth.
In remembrance of me, always love.
In remembrance of me, don't look above,
But in your heart, look for God.
Do this in remembrance of me.

# **Prayer After Communion**

**Hymn** How Firm a Foundation Foundation

RED

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word! What more can be said than to you God hath said, To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.
"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply; The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

#### Invitation to Discipleship

Here I Am, Lord
Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

#### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

#### THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

#### BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

You Shall Go Out with Joy

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; The mountains and the hills will break forth before you; There'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field Will clap, will clap their hands.

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands; The trees of the field will clap their hands; The trees of the field will clap their hands While you go out with joy. (*Repeat*) **SCHUTTE** 

THE TREES OF THE FIELD