### ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



# **CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP 5th Sunday of Easter**



May 2, 2021 10:30AM

**WELCOME!** What a delight that you are here! We hope you will experience the love of Jesus and the joy of community in this time of worship. If we can be of help to you, please let us know. We would love to assist you in finding ways to get involved and grow in your faith.

\*Please note all text in **bold** is spoken in unison.\*

#### WE GATHER AS A FAITH COMMUNITY

**PRAYER OF PREPARATION** (You are invited to pray this prayer in silence.)

Dear Lord, I pray today to ask for help. Help me to have the actions, words, and wisdom necessary to bear good fruit. May the things I think, the things I say, and the deeds I do show other people the love of Christ. Amen.

#### PRELUDE

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

#### TO PRAISE THE LIVING GOD

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We come to this place where God pours out love on us. **People: We join our voices in praise, as our fears are left behind.** Leader: We gather with these people, those who seek to follow Jesus, **People: So we might walk the paths of service hand in hand.** 

Leader: We open our hearts to the gifts of the Spirit,

All: So that grace and peace might be the fruit we bear.

#### **HYMN 314**

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

Bridegroom

Like the murmur of the dove's song, Like the challenge of her flight, Like the vigor of the wind's rush, Like the new flame's eager might: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

To the members of Christ's Body, To the branches of the Vine, To the church in faith assembled, To her midst as gift and sign: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

With the healing of division, With the ceaseless voice of prayer, With the power to love and witness, With the peace beyond compare: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

#### Invitation to Confession

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we confess that we each have places in our lives that could use some pruning. Our words do not always give grace to those who hear, our actions do not always witness to our baptism in Your name. We have ignored those who need our help the most and focused on hoarding more for ourselves. Our selfish desires only serve to wither us and turn us into dying branches. Forgive us, and prune away our dead places so that we may bear fruit generously in Your name...

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

In Jesus Christ we are sought, we are found, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all!

And also with you.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**PSALM READING** PSALM 22:25-31 Pew Bible OT Pg. 501

This is the Word of God for the people of God!

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM Table of Peace FETTKE Chancel Choir

Table of Peace: come and eat freely;
When you must go, take His holy name with you.
Jesus, Jesus, Prince of Peace. Jesus, Jesus, Remember His name.

Table of grace: come and drink deeply; When you must go, take His healing name with you. Jesus, Jesus, God of grace. Jesus, Jesus, remember His name.

Write His name upon your heart, For He says, "Remember me."

Set His table in your heart;

Table of peace, table of grace, Table of love.

Table of love: come and find rest here. When you must go, take His mighty name with you. Jesus, Jesus, Lord of love. Jesus, Jesus, remember His name.

> His name is peace, His name is grace, His name is love, His name is Jesus.

GOSPEL READING JOHN 15:1-8 Pew Bible NT Pg. 109

**SERMON** Cultivating Growth Rev. Tara R. Thompson

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### 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.

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING** (offering baskets are located at sanctuary entrances)

Hymn 592 Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Hymn 501 Bread of Heaven, on Thee We Feed

Arfon

Bread of heaven, on Thee we feed, For Thou art our food indeed;
Ever may our souls be fed
With this true and living Bread, Day by day with strength supplied
Through the life of Christ who died.

Vine of heaven, Thy love supplies This blest cup of sacrifice;
'Tis Thy wounds our healing give;
To Thy cross we look and live: Thou our life! O let us be
Rooted, grafted, built on Thee.

GO OUT INTO THE WORLD TO GLORIFY GOD IN OUR DAILY LIVES

#### **BENEDICTION**

SENDING SONG How Great Thou Art

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee: How great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee: How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

#### **POSTLUDE**

The Session voted to continue with our current safety guidelines at this time. **THANKS** to each of you for your cooperation.

- Masks are required on entering, exiting, and moving about. When seated, masks are optional.
- The congregation is to remain seated during the service, even during the singing.
- During the Passing of the Peace, stand or sit in place and wave silently, yet ENTHUSIASTICALLY!
- The kitchen remains closed except for Meals on Wheels.

**CHILDREN'S BULLETINS** are available at the sanctuary entrance tables.

**KINDNESS KITS** are placed throughout the church campus. Please feel free to pick one up.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be today immediately after the Worship Service.

**MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** starts back up tomorrow at 10am in the Parlor.

**HOSPITAL TODAY EMAIL** is now handled by Martha Giarratano. Please email mgiar2@hotmail.com or call/text (409) 347-0940 between 8:30 am and 9:30 pm with your request. If she does not answer, please leave a message and she will get back to you as soon as she can.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to occasionally assist in Sunday school the hour before church service. If you enjoy helping children learn, please prayerfully consider this ministry and contact Karen Spivey at (409) 656-8744.

#### PRAISES & PRAYER LIST

**Members:** Murray Anderson and family (death of his great grandson), Glenda Buckley, Ralph Lunsford, Tammy Markum, Kay Sutton, Dalton Abel, Bill McIlrath, Bob Fisher, Rev. Wayne Rhodes, Mackia & Katrina, Mary Collier, Dean Lovejoy, Gary Sitton, Thomas Fisher and Bryan Rao.

**Friends and Family:** Juanita Dear, Karen Butler, Laura, Lunsford, Cheryl Bryan, Malim Sue Spivey, Gary Dry, Bill Taylor, George Brown, Buzz Bailey, Tiffany, Glenn Helterbran, Lucie K., Shauntaryle & Zach, Erin Lenhart, Mary Kennedy, Diane P., Billie & Brett Taylor, Katie B., Jean Williamson, Bob Vasil, Bob Higgins, Courtney Glover, Weston Sitton, Janie Verderame, Rachel Lawerence, Evan Johnson, Jill Botkin, Phil Storms, Shawn Kennedy & Lorry, Bill McKeon, Cheryl Bryan, Jennifer Patton, Cindy Woodland, Bob Janecek and Canyon Cassidy.

#### St. Andrew's Calendar

#### Sunday, May 2, 2021

10:30AM Worship

11:30AM Congregational Meeting

12:00PM Choir Rehearsal

Monday, May 3, 2021

10:00AM Monday Morning

Bible Study

6:30PM There's A Solution/AA

6:30PM La Hacienda

#### **Tuesday, May 4, 2021**

10:00AM Staff

10:00AM PW Coordinating Team

1:30PM Fellowship Team

5:30PM Christian Ed Team

#### Wednesday, May 5, 2021

8:15AM Soup Kitchen (SOP)

9:30AM Day School Chapel

#### Thursday, May 6, 2021

~ National Day of Prayer ~

8:30AM MOW Cooks

10:00AM MOW Delivers

10:00AM Prayer Team

6:15PM Wolf Den Meeting

#### Friday, May 7, 2021

~ OFFICE CLOSED ~

6:30PM There's A Solution/AA

#### **Saturday, May 8, 2021**

8:30AM SETX Food Bank

#### Sunday, May 9, 2021

10:30AM Worship

12:00PM Choir Rehearsal

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