

## The Church Responds

### The Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed *(In Unison)*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### The 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.

### A Minute for Stewardship

Dawn Grossman

## The Church Goes Forth to Serve

### The Closing Hymn #840 "When Peace Like a River" *(Glory to God)*

When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll,  
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.

*Refrain:*

It is well with my soul; it is well; it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control,  
that Christ hath regarded my helpless estate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.

*Refrain*

He lives: O the bliss of this glorious thought. My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

*Refrain*

Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend; even so it is well with my soul.

*Refrain*

### The Benediction and the Postlude

# Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

August 2, 2020

9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM

## The Church in Preparation

### The Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

### The Introit and Time of Centering #626 "As the Deer" *(Glory to God)*

As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you.

You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

You alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield.

You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

### The Call to Worship

Leader: We've come to worship God,  
who makes streams flow from rock,

People: **who turns the parched earth into springs of water,  
who sends the rain from heaven  
and makes the wilderness blossom and flourish.**

Leader: As the deer thirsts for flowing streams,

People: **so we thirst for You, O God.**

All: **Come, let us worship our life-giving God!**

### The Opening Prayer *(In Unison)*

**O God, we gather at your waters, as a hot and bothered crowd gathers on the beach on a sweltering, summer day. O God, we drink at your fountain, as a parched dog laps at the fresh, running water of a creek. O God, we await your refreshment, as a tired worker watches for the change of shift. Quench our thirst, satisfy our longings. May we be refreshed and restored in you; and teach us where to find the bucket and how to carry it so that we might draw that water for those who most need it.**

### \*The Opening Hymn #375 "Shall We Gather at the River" *(Glory to God)*

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod,  
with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

*Refrain:*

Yes, we'll gather at the river; the beautiful, the beautiful river;  
gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray,  
we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day.

*Refrain*

Ere we reach the shining river, lay we every burden down;  
grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown.

*Refrain*

Soon we'll reach the shining river; soon our pilgrimage will cease;  
soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.

*Refrain*

### **The Prayer of Confession**

**Lord, in our busy, hectic lives, we're constantly on the move. We're in a constant state of "hurry up and wait." At this moment, we confess that too often we're in a hurry for the wrong things: career, power, money. And we never stop for the right things: prayer, kindness, service, worship. Lord, you have given us so much — even your life, utterly and completely. So we stop and confess all the ways by which we confuse when we are to stop and when we are to go. Amen.**

### **A Time of Silent Confession**

#### **The Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Relax into the healing certainty of God's love.  
Breathe in the gift of new life given to you  
by the God who calls you by name and claims you as his own.  
For the healing which renews us we say,

**People: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

#### **Musical Response**

"Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

#### **The Church in Proclamation**

#### **Scripture Readings**

Portions of Revelation 22

John 4: 7 - 15

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God**

#### **Special Music**

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

Pianist Melinda Ripper

#### **The Micro Message**

"Living Water"

Rev. Monica Hamilton

#### **Musical Response #623 "I've Got Peace Like a River"**

*(Glory to God)*

I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river;

I've got peace like a river, in my soul.

I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river;

I've got peace like a river, in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain; I've got joy like a fountain;

I've got joy like a fountain, in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain; I've got joy like a fountain;

I've got joy like a fountain, in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean;

I've got love like an ocean, in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean;

I've got love like an ocean, in my soul.

#### **The Sermon**

"By No Means a Waste of Time"

Rev. Hamilton

#### **The Hymn #479**

"Ho, All Who Thirst"

*(Glory to God)*

*Refrain:*

Ho, all who thirst, come now to the water,  
and all whose souls are parched and weary, come and drink!  
Ho, all who thirst, come now to the water,  
and from your heart will flow a never-failing spring!, come and drink!

Why forsake the Lord, the fount of living water,  
choosing broken cups that cannot be filled?

*Refrain*

For the Lamb will be our shepherd and will guide us  
to the wellsprings of the water of life.

*Refrain*

All who come may take this gift of living water.  
They will thirst no more, for they shall be filled.

*Refrain*

## Scripture Readings

### Revelation 22

22 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; <sup>4</sup> they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.

<sup>16</sup> "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches.

<sup>17</sup> The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

And let everyone who hears say, "Come."

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

<sup>20</sup> Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

### John 4:7-15

<sup>7</sup> A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." <sup>8</sup> (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup> The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." <sup>11</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" <sup>12</sup> Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" <sup>13</sup> Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup> but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." <sup>15</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."



*The Flowers today are given by Chuck King  
in memory of Linda King.*

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### Happy Birthday to:



August 3

August 7

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Paul Perry

Russ Thomas

Pauline Rodgers

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### Pastor Merry Away

*A warm Saint Andrews welcome to our guest preacher, Rev. Monica Hamilton! Before her honorable retirement, Rev. Hamilton served as pastor of the Burlington Presbyterian Church in Burlington, NJ. Prior to that, she served as pastor of the Harlansburg Presbyterian Church in Harlansburg, PA. We are blessed to have her lead us in worship this morning!*

*Pastor Merry is out of town to spend some time with her mother. While she is away, Rev. Mary Kitchen will be available in case of emergencies. If you have a pastoral care need or concern, please call Rev. Kitchen at 412-266-0930.*

