

## 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

Jon McKay

## The Church Goes Forth to Serve

### The Closing Hymn #321 "The Church's One Foundation"

*(Glory to God)*

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord.  
She is his new creation by water and the word.  
From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride.  
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,  
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore:  
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,  
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One,  
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,  
like them, the meek and lowly, may live eternally.

### The Benediction and Postlude

# Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

August 30, 2020

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

10:30 AM

## The Church in Preparation

### The Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

### The Introit and Time of Centering

#148

"There's Something About That Name" *(Sing to the Lord)*

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus! There's just something about that name!

Master, Savior, Jesus! Like the fragrance after the rain.

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus! Let all heaven and earth proclaim:

Kings and kingdoms will all pass away, But there's something about that name!

### The Call to Worship

Leader 1: Jesus is

**People: Wonderful Counsellor.**

Leader 2: Jesus is

**People: Mighty God.**

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**People: The Prince of Peace.**

Leader 2: Let us offer our praise and worship

**All: To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.**

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

Loving God,

in this time of worship,

open us to your renewing, transforming Spirit.

Transform our hearts, that we may love more deeply.

Transform our minds, that we may understand more fully.

Transform our hands, that we may serve more generously.

Transform our spirits, that we may be the body of Christ,

gathered to worship and sent out to serve.

Amen.

**\*The Opening Hymn #2236** "Gather Us In" *(Sing the Faith)*

Here in this place new light is streaming,  
now is the darkness vanished away,  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings,  
brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in—the lost and forsaken, gather us in—the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young—our lives are a myst'ry,  
we are the old—who yearn for your face,  
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,  
called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in—the rich and the haughty, gather us in—the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.

Not in the dark of buildings confining,  
not in some heaven, light-years away,  
but here in this place the new light is shining,  
now is the Kingdom, now is the day.

Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own;  
gather us in—all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

**The Prayer of Confession** *(In Unison)*

**Gracious God, you call us to be the body of Christ: to live in community, to use our different gifts, to care for one another. But instead of working to sustain community, we follow our own desires. Instead of following in your way, we seek to go it alone. Forgive our neglect of others and the best parts of ourselves. Help us to see and use the gifts you have given. Empower us to be your people, sharing your grace and embodying your love. Amen.**

**A Time of Silent Confession**

**The Assurance of Pardon**

**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**

Romans 12: 1 – 8

Matthew 16: 13 - 20

Leader: The word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God**

**Special Music**

"Amazing Grace"

Vocalist Deanna Golden and Pianist Melinda Ripper

**The Micro Message**

**Musical Response #691** "Lord, When I Came into This Life" *(Glory to God)*

Lord, when I came into this life you called me by my name;  
today I come, commit myself, responding to your claim.

In all the tensions of my life, between my faith and doubt,  
Let your great Spirit give me hope, sustain me, lead me out.

So help me in my unbelief and let my life be true:  
Feet firmly planted on the earth, my sights set high on you.

**The Sermon**

Rev. Merry Meloy

**The Hymn #726**

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

*(Glory to God)*

"Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"

"Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?"

"Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?"

"Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound In you and you in me?"

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

## Scripture Readings

### Romans 12:1 – 8

**12** I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters,<sup>[a]</sup> by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual<sup>[b]</sup> worship. **2** Do not be conformed to this world,<sup>[c]</sup> but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.<sup>[d]</sup>

**3** For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. **4** For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, **5** so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. **6** We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; **7** ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; **8** the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

### Matthew 16: 13 – 20

**13** Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?”

**14** And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

**15** He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?”

**16** Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah,<sup>[a]</sup> the Son of the living God.”

**17** And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. **18** And I tell you, you are Peter,<sup>[b]</sup> and on this rock<sup>[c]</sup> I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. **19** I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

**20** Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was<sup>[d]</sup> the Messiah.<sup>[e]</sup>

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*The flowers today are given by Dan and Kendra Mulneix in honor of Liv's birthday.*

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### Happy Birthday to:

August 31	Kyle Hawks
September 2	Barb Durkacs Ashley Farrington
September 3	Carol Holochuk Dan Mulneix Melinda Ripper
September 5	Sharon Johnson