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18th Sunday after Pentecost Family Worship with Holy Communion
9:15 am ✝ September 26, 2021

GATHERING

PRELUDE

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

The assembly stands as they are able. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,

help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding
rather than trusting in you.**

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

**Share with us the words of eternal life
and feed us for life in the world.**

Amen.

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, ✝ the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:

you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

GREETING p. 138

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE p. 139

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,

al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 3 Sing with all the peo-ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,

glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,

al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

Final refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

WORD

PSALM: Psalm 19:7-14 (Easy-to-Read-Version)

7 The Lord's teachings are perfect. They give strength to his people.

The Lord's rules can be trusted. They help even the foolish become wise.

8 The Lord's laws are right. They make people happy.

The Lord's commands are good. They show people the right way to live.

9 Learning respect for the Lord is good. It will last forever.

The Lord's judgments are right. They are completely fair.

10 His teachings are worth more than pure gold.

They are sweeter than the best honey dripping from the honeycomb.

11 His teachings warn his servants,

and good things come to those who obey them.

12 People cannot see their own mistakes,

so don't let me commit secret sins.

13 Don't let me do what I know is wrong.

Don't let sin control me.

If you help me, I can be pure

and free from sin.

14 May my words and thoughts please you.

Lord, you are my Rock—the one who rescues me.

SECOND READING: James 5:13-20 (ERV)

A reading from James.

13 Are you having troubles? You should pray. Are you happy? You should sing. **14** Are you sick? Ask the elders of the church to come and rub oil on you in the name of the Lord and pray for you. **15** If such a prayer is offered in faith, it will heal anyone who is sick. The Lord will heal them. And if they have sinned, he will forgive them.

16 So always tell each other the wrong things you have done. Then pray for each other. Do this so that God can heal you. Anyone who lives the way God wants can pray, and great things will happen. **17** Elijah was a person just like us. He prayed that it would not rain. And it did not rain on the land for three and a half years! **18** Then Elijah prayed that it would rain. And the rain came down from the sky, and the land grew crops again.

19 My brothers and sisters, if anyone wanders away from the truth and someone helps that person come back, **20** remember this: Anyone who brings a sinner back from the wrong way will save that person from eternal death and cause many sins to be forgiven.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION p. 142**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-50 The Passion Translation

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

38 John spoke up and said, "Teacher, we noticed someone was using your name to cast out demons, so we tried to stop him because he wasn't one of our group."

39 "Don't stop him!" Jesus replied. "For whoever does miracles in the power of my name proves they are not my enemy. **40** And whoever is not against us is for us.

41 Listen to the truth that I speak: Whoever gives you a cup of water because you carry the name of Christ will never lose his reward. **42** But if anyone misleads into sinning one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for them to have a heavy rock tied around their neck and be thrown into the sea.

43 "If your hand entices you to sin, let it go limp and useless! For it is better for you to enter into life maimed than to have your entire body thrown into hell, **44** where the fire never stops. **45** And if your foot leads you into sin, cut it off! For it is better to enter life crawling than to have both feet and be flung into hell, **46** where the fire never goes out. **47** And if your eye causes you to sin, take it out! For it is better to enter into life with one eye than to be thrown into hell with two. **48** This is where revenge never dies and hatred does not die down!

49 "Everyone will pass through the fire and every sacrifice will be seasoned with salt. **50** Salt is excellent for seasoning. But if it loses its salty taste, how can its flavor ever be restored? Your lives, like salt, are to season and preserve. So don't lose your flavor, and live in peace with one another."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY #641 All Are Welcome (verses 1, 3 and 5)**

All Are Welcome



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to
wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and
heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
claim the faith of Je - sus:
Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
end to fear and dan - ger:
claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

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APOSTLES' CREED p.104

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

The children come forward at the appointed time with their backpacks, along with any adults with briefcases, computer bags, lunchboxes, etc., to be blessed.

Romans 12:4-8

⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Dear God,

as we start another year in school,
we ask your blessing on these backpacks, computer bags and other tools of trade
and on the people who carry them, especially our children.

As they do the very important work of being students,
bless them with eagerness to learn, that their world may grow large;
respect for teachers and students, that they may form healthy relationships;
love for nature, that they may become caretakers of your creation;
happiness when learning is easy and stick-to-it-iveness when it is hard;
faith in Jesus as their best teacher and closest friend.

We ask that you would protect your children.

Watch over them and keep them safe as they travel to and from school.

As they learn, help them also to discover
the different gifts that you have given each one of them
to be used in your work in the world.

As we all hear the many voices that fill our days,
help us to listen most carefully for your voice,
the one that promises you will love us always, no matter what.

We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church and its ministry. Bless the newly baptized and encourage them in their journey of faith. Sustain all members of the body of Christ in lives of prayer, service, and worship. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for natural wonders of your creation. Restore damaged forests, waterways and natural habitats and lead us to be good stewards of what you have provided. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for people in authority. Give them wise minds and compassionate hearts. Strengthen in them a desire to protect the vulnerable and care for the underserved. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for those who are suffering or struggling with any disease. Provide them with peace and resilience for the days ahead. We pray especially for Martha, Judy, Frank, Wayne, Marianne, Marilyn, & Mia; all on the prayer list; all people affected by COVID-19; and those we name before you now (pause). Sustain caregivers with energy and patience. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for the worship leaders of this congregation: our musicians, readers, acolytes, and ushers. Bless us through their ministry and grant them the passion to continue in their service. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give thanks for all your saints, those we have loved and known, especially Kathy, Penny, Salvatore, Linda, Audrey, Ruth; and those from every time and place, especially Francis of Assisi, renewer of the church and William Tyndale, pastor and martyr. Continue to guide us by their example and reassure us of your promised salvation. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

(Pastor) Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE p. 143

OFFERING

Thank you for continuing to make your contributions in support of the ministries of Saint Andrew's, particularly during these challenging times, by mail or by visiting our website to set up online giving.

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life,
you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

MEAL

*GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE AND PREFACE p. 144

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER p.130

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy,
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.
Amen.

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

COMMUNION p.146

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.
Come!

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, ✠ one God, bless you now and forever.

Amen

SENDING HYMN #846 Amen, We Praise Your Name (sing 4 times)

Amen, We Praise Your Name
Amen siakudumisa

Leader Assembly

Ma - si - thi! *A - men si - a - ku - du - mi - sa!* *Ma - si - thi!*
Sing prais - es! A-men, we praise your name, O God! Sing prais - es!

A - men si - a - ku - du - mi - sa! *Ma - si - thi!* *A - men, ba - wo.*
A - men, we praise your name, O God! Sing prais - es! A - men, a - men.

A - men, ba - wo. *A - men si - a - ku - du - mi - sa!* *Ma - si - thi!*
A - men, a - men. A - men, we praise your name, O God! Sing prais - es!

Text: South African traditional
Music: AMEN SIAKUDUMISA, attr. S. C. Molefe, as taught by Gobingca George Mxadana
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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

The flowers on the altar are given by Donna Mangi in memory of Mark Sachs and Edward Sachs, beloved brother and father.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING: (26 September 2021)

Lex Stolle, Carmine Colasanto, Richard Mengert [requested by Carolyn Gabelman]
Margo Naranjo, Lynn Lindroth, [requested by Barbara English]
Norma Martin [requested by Sue Rorke]
Carol Kaelin, Robert Richards, Pamela Catania (Justine Hoffman's mom), Lise Gunther, Nancy Fjellstad, Winnie Malloy, Joe Dugan, Don & Marianne Spagna [requested by Mary Fjellstad]
Marilyn Havighorst [requested by Martha Hahn]
Mia Kaiser [requested by Emilie Diehl]
Nicholas Mauceri and Rocky Cinque [requested by Marianne Spagna]
Noelle Miller, Marlene Demetri, the Nason family [requested by Leslee Mathieson]
Richard Wiles [husband of Joan Wiles]
Stanley Ulc, Stefanie Spath [requested by Marianna Ulc and family]
John Sullivan, Holly Clavell [requested by Dottie & Jim Clavell]
Kerri Swanson [requested by Linda & Jud Taylor]
Rosemary Greiner [requested by Lee Nocero]
Virginia & Marty Perry, Marilyn Henson, Amy Kitay [requested by Diana & David Smiloff]
Ruth Aiello [requested by Cindy Davis]
Riordan Cavoris [requested by Darlene Klouda]
Ise Gunther, Ralph Gunther and Stephanie O'Neill [requested by the Hoffman family]
Zach Hills, Joann Pagnani [requested by Brian & Diane Marley]
Bernadette Uneberg [requested by John Hinsch]
Joan Young [requested by Sue Dresch]
Walter Henning Sr., Pastor Frank Modr, Art Hansen, the Clark and Hohlbein families, the DeRosa family, the Mursch family, Edward Pascale (father of Rose Fesselmeyer), Martha Hahn, Gary Weymer [requested by Pastor Shelhart]
David Travis [requested by Richard Travis]
Mike Schuster [requested by Eric Palmer]
Carolyn Martin [requested by Linda Overton]
The family of Elaine Robinson [requested by Deborah Cella]
Bill Feigin [requested by Jessica Michalski]
Judy Hinsch [requested by the Hinsch family]
Pastor Wayne Gollenberg, Liz Solomon, Warren Hemming, Joe Lupo [requested by the Breimann family]
Jessica Becker and infant Grayson [requested by Eve Overton]
Fr Jeevan Paul [requested by Joe & Brenda Dugan]
Bill Davy [requested by Tom & Pat Pernice]
The Shelhart family, Brianna Maglio [requested by Linda Pagano]
Fred Eichorn [requested by James Flaherty]
Carol Paolillo [requested by Donna Ihlen]

Judy and John Hinsch thank you for your prayers. Judy is taking a break from Facebook and asks that you not post on social media. If you would like to follow updates on Judy's care/treatment and share comments, please visit the Caring Bridge link established by the Hinsch's children:

<https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/judyressmeyerhinsch/journal/view/id/60402ca3a9a2050001a80944>

THOSE IN MILITARY SERVICE:

Captain Zachary Hinsch [nephew of Judy & John Hinsch]
Captain Brendan Madarasz
Major Lenore Livingston [daughter of Helen & Art Fortin]
Sergeant Charlee Seto [granddaughter of Jacci & Mike Milo]
Corporal August Detting
Major William Fortin