



## ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost • October 4, 2020

### GATHERING MUSIC

### OPENING REMARKS & MOMENT FOR MISSION

### CALL TO WORSHIP

What shall we render to the Lord for all the good things God has done for us?

**We will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.**

*Please put on your mask and wear it through the Sharing of the Peace.*

\*HYMN 327 (v 1,2) *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

**From all that Dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Redeemer's name be sung  
through every land in every tongue.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Al-le-lu-ia!**

**In every land begin the song; to every land the strains belong:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! In cheerful sound all voices raise  
and fill the world with joyful praise.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Al-le-lu-ia!**

### \*CONFESSION AND PARDON

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence.

**Merciful God, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

Hear what a gracious God has said through the prophet: I, I am the one who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will

remember your sin no more. That includes all of us who are penitent. By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Amen.**

\*RESPONSE (*Hymn 581*)

**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.**

\*SHARING THE PEACE

With the forgiveness of God comes the peace of God.  
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Please remain in your pew and share the peace in whatever symbol may be meaningful to you.*

*You may now remove your mask until the Affirmation of Faith.*

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 20:1-17

**20** Then God spoke all these words:

<sup>2</sup>I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; <sup>3</sup>you shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. <sup>7</sup>You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. <sup>8</sup>Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>10</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. <sup>12</sup>Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup> You shall not murder. <sup>14</sup> You shall not commit adultery. <sup>15</sup> You shall not steal. <sup>16</sup> You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. <sup>17</sup> You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

*Breaking the Law...or Ourselves?*

*Please put on your face mask and wear it until you have departed the building.*

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Apostles' Creed*

**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.**

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

Holy God, we praise you...through Christ your Word made flesh, in the holy and life-giving Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

And now, with confidence, as children of God, we are bold to pray:

**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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (*Reception is after these words.*)

## RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENT

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

\*HYMN 317

*In Christ There Is No East or West*

**In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,  
but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.**

**In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find.  
His service is the golden cord close binding humankind.**

**Join hands disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be.  
All children of the living God are surely kin to me.**

**In Christ now meet both east and west;  
in him meet south or north.**

**All Christly souls are one in him  
throughout the whole wide earth.**

\*OFFERTORY SENTENCE, CHARGE, AND BENEDICTION

## MUSIC FOR DISPERSAL

*Observing appropriate physical distancing, please leave from the back rows first. There is an **offering plate** near the door of the sanctuary, if you wish to contribute at this service. If you do not take your bulletin home, please put it in the recycle bin near the door.*

## POSTSCRIPTS

There is a Moment for Mission in the service today to begin our month-long *Peacemaking* offering.

This Wednesday night we conclude our study of the rich trove of theological insight found in Genesis, chapters 1-11, the *prehistoric* chapters of Genesis. A link is available on the Website to both audio and video versions.

The pastor will be taking some vacation this week and therefore not be in town on Wednesday. See you next Sunday.