

### St. Andrew Presbyterian Church Denton, Texas

#### SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 23, 2025

#### GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

Prelude We Gather Together (Kremser) arr. Graig Phillips

Welcome and Announcements

CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 138)

In this sacred space, trust in the Holy Spirit.

On this sabbath day, we take delight in Jesus Christ.

Among the faithful, commit your way to the Lord.

We worship the triune God with gladness!

Opening Prayer Lisa Patterson

\*Hymn 391 This Is the Day ESTES ES LA DIA

#### Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, we confess that we have failed to recognize your concern for all the world. We lay claim to your love and grace, but see it as limited to us and our concerns. We have noticed our differences with others and let them divide us instead of seeing how it broadens our understanding of who you are. We have built walls between neighbors and between countries, and we have ignored the cries of those in need. Forgive us our selfish and self-centered discipleship and set us free, that we may live into the hope of your calling, so your reign may come on earth as it is in heaven. In Christ's name we pray. Amen (Time of silent confession).

#### Declaration of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

#### Call to Faithfulness (John 1: 1)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

\*Sung Response (Hymn 585)

MACHU-PICHU

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

To God be glory forever! To God be glory forever! Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen!

Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen! Alleluia, Amen. Alleluia, Amen!

#### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination Jim Bays

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Luke 6: 20-38

New Testament, page 60

Anthem

My Lord What a Mornin'

arr. Harry T. Burleigh

My Lord, what a mornin', when the stars begin to fall.

Done quit all my worldly ways, jine (joined) that heavenly band.

Oh my Lord, what a mornin', when the stars begin to fall.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 45: 3-15

Old Testament, page 40

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

Sermon Lord of All Egypt

Richard B. Culp

DA N'ASE

#### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn 328 Praise God, All you Nations

\*Affirmation of Faith—Hymn 481 I Believe in God the Father Genevan 42

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Deep River arr. Moses Hogan

Zhihui Pang, Tenor, with Daeun Kim, Piano Deep river, my home is over Jordan. Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground. Oh, don't you want to go to that gospel feast? That promised land, where all is peace?

\*Doxology

Hymn 609, Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*Hymn 472 Kum Ba Yah Kum Ba Yah

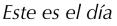
\*Benediction

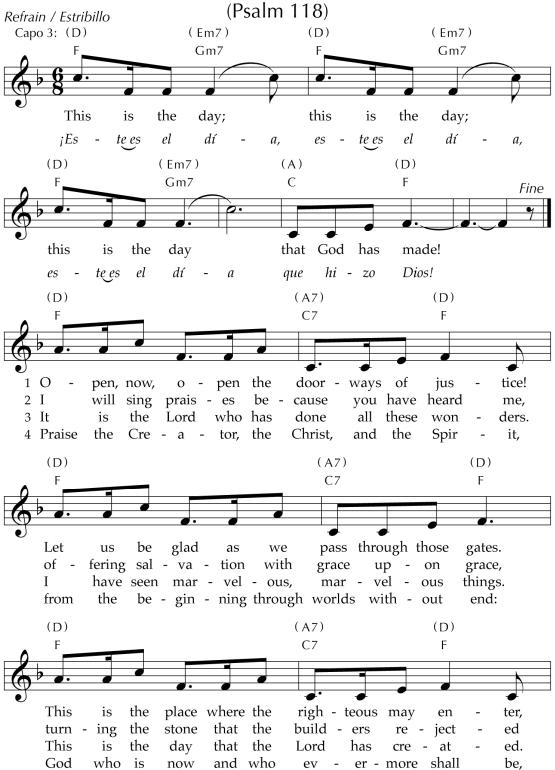
Postlude G. H. Cook arr. Taesook Kang

Bold Text indicates congregational participation. \*Those who are able are asked to stand.

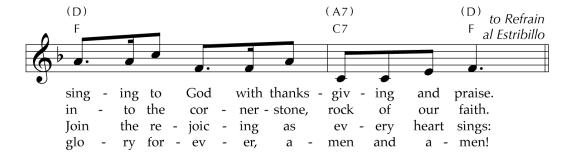
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## This Is the Day





The author/composer has incorporated elements of his Argentinian culture in this dynamic paraphrase of Psalm 118. In particular, the melodic patterns of the refrain are intended to suggest the way cowboys (*gauchos*) greet each other when they ride out to their work in the morning.

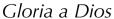


#### **SPANISH**

- 1 Ábranme las puertas de la justicia, y entraré alabando a mi Dios. Esta es la puerta que Dios nos ha dado, todos los justos por ella entrarán.
- 2 Voy a alabarte porque me has oído y porque fuiste mi gran salvación. Esa piedra que todos despreciaron resulta ahora ser fundamental.
- 3 Es el Señor quien ha hecho todo esto; ¡Qué maravilla poder verlo hoy! Este es el día que el Señor ha hecho, con alegría gocemos en Él.
- 4 Al Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo demos la gloria por la eternidad; como al principio, tal cual es ahora y lo será para siempre jamás.

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## Glory to God





May be sung in call and response pattern.

TEXT: Anon. MUSIC: Peruvian melody

MACHU-PICHU

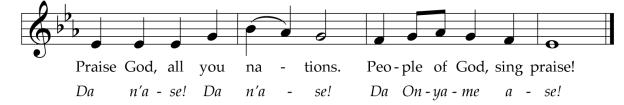
## Praise God, All You Nations 328

*Da n'ase* (Psalm 117)









This paraphrase of Psalm 117 comes from Ghana and was originally created in the Twi language. Paradoxically, this shortest of all psalms is universal in scope, which makes it especially appropriate to sing in the words and music of people from another part of the world.

## I Believe in God the Father



- be-lieve in God the Fa - ther, mer - ci - ful and might-y Lord,
- Un-der Pi late, Je sus suf - fered, faith-ful to his fi - nal breath.
- be-lieve in God the Spir it, and the church in ev - ery place;



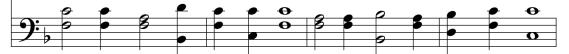


of the earth and heav - ens, whom we wor-ship and a - dore; mak - er was cru - ci - fied and bur - ied, and de-scend-ed in - to death. glo-ri-ous com-mu-nion, all for - giv - en, full of grace;





Je - sus Christ the Son, on - ly Sav - ior, sov - ereign one, and a - rise; he as - cend - ed through the From the grave he did and blood will live a - gain; life in Christ will nev - er end.





the Ho - ly Spir-it giv - en, born of Mar - y, bless - ed vir-gin. now en-throned with God in heav-en, he will judge the dead and liv-ing. Ho - ly Spir - it, Son and Fa-ther: I will praise your name for - ev - er.



This text is a 21st-century metrical paraphrase of the Apostles' Creed (in the manner of Calvin's Strasbourg liturgy). Its connections with Reformed tradition are further strengthened by being set to the tune created for Psalm 42 in the 1551 Genevan Psalter (see also no. 87).

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# Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God, all crea-tures



high and low.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise



God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it



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





\*Come by here

This African American spiritual, first recorded in the 1920s, seems to have originated somewhere in the southern United States. It enjoyed renewed popularity during the folk revival of the 1960s and became a standard campfire song, eventually traveling throughout the world.

#### Luke 6: 20-38

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. <sup>21</sup>"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. <sup>22</sup>"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup>Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. <sup>24</sup>"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. <sup>25</sup>"Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. <sup>26</sup>"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

<sup>27</sup>"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup>bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. <sup>29</sup>If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. <sup>31</sup>Do to others as you would have them do to you. <sup>32</sup>"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. <sup>33</sup>If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. <sup>34</sup>If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. <sup>35</sup>But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. <sup>36</sup>Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

<sup>37</sup>"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; <sup>38</sup>give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

#### Genesis 45: 3-15

<sup>3</sup>Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. 4Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. <sup>5</sup>And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. 8So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. 10 You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. 11I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' 12And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. 13 You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." <sup>14</sup>Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. <sup>15</sup>And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

## Super Wednesday Wednesday, February 26

### Dinner at 5:30pm

Menu: Chicken Fried Steak or Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Pie Meals by Mike and Bekah Barnett \$7 for individuals, \$15 for families.

#### **Activities for Children**

Nursery for infants & preschoolers, Room 102, 5:30pm-7:30pm

Noel Choir, grades K-1<sup>st</sup>, Children's Choir Room, Kirsten Trachsel, 6:00pm Covenant Choir, grades 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, Children's Choir Room, Kirsten Trachsel, 6:20pm

Recreation Grades K-1st Malicia Curran, 6:20pm

#### **Activities for Youth**

Middle School and High School Rec Center and The Den @ 6:00pm-7:30pm

#### **Classes for Adults**

### Pilgrimage Elizabeth Ranieri March 26, Fellowship Hall

This course explores the (sacred and profane) reasons people travel—specifically "pilgrimage." Dr. Ranieri will give a historical and theoretical framework for understanding the practice of pilgrimage while referencing some noteworthy routes and destinations. We will learn that sometimes the journey is more important than the destination!

Women's Book Study
Looking for Lovely: Collecting the Moments that
Matter, by Annie F. Downs
Amy Cole and Amy Fair
Library

Bridge for Beginners led by Joyce White Room 207

Chancel Choir Practice
Adult Choir Room
7:30pm

#### Theology on Tap Monday, February 24

Theology On Tap will meet on Monday, February 24, 6:30pm, at Denton County Brewing Company (in the back room). Our topic is, "What Does it Mean to be Righteous?" We will be discussing righteousness in the Old and New Testaments, and what it means for Christians today. We hope you will join us for the conversation!

Save the Date!
J. Christine Le's DMA Lecture Recital
Tuesday, March 4, 2025, 7:00pm
St. Andrew Presbyterian Church Sanctuary
This Recital is free and open to the public!

## Footsteps of Paul in Greece *October 8-21, 2025*

Registration closes: June 21, 2025

Join the group from St. Andrew on a guided tour designed to experience the earliest home of Christianity outside of Israel. This 14-day pilgrimage traces the footsteps of Paul across Greece, including the ruins of Ephesus, Philippi, Thessaloniki, Berea, and more. On the way to Athens, we will spend time in the Meteora region, with its Byzantine monasteries, and we will explore the Acropolis, Roman Forum, Mars Hill, ancient Corinth. The pilgrimage concludes with a 3-night cruise including Mykonos, Ephesus, Patmos, Crete, and Santorini. Questions? Pickup a brochure in the narthex or contact Lisa Patterson or Richard Culp.

#### **Denton Christian Preschool Supply Drive**

We are beginning to gather supplies needed for the students at the Denton Christian Preschool. These items will be collected in February and March and include the following: glue bottles, Play Doh, 9X7 composition books, washable markers, dry erase markers, red or green pocket folders, watercolors, crayons, toilet paper, white construction paper, AA batteries, 9 Volt batteries.

You may either donate supplies or give financial donations for supplies. Your financial donations can be made via Realm by visiting the give page and choosing "Denton Christian Preschool" from the fund drop down menu.

These items may be placed in the Christian Preschool bin outside of Fellowship Hall. If you have questions, please contact Jim White at: acewalton1965@gmail.com. Thank you for your generosity.

#### **Prayer Ministry Teams**

The 4 Prayer Teams are composed of congregation members and Stephen Ministers. We pray for those who are suffering, grieving and/or stressed out from life's challenges. Each team prays for one week per month, with team members praying for different sections of the prayer list. Prayer requests may be made by contacting the church office, or placing a confidential written request in the wooden box in the Prayer/Columbarium room. Consider becoming a member of one of the teams by contacting coordinator Lauri Goldston, laurigoldston@gmail.com, for more information.

#### **Flower Roster Posted**

For anyone wanting to provide chancel flowers in 2025, there is a a new flower roster for 2025 on the bulletin board by the office. Please put your name and phone number on your selected date. Lynn Carrico will contact you before your Sunday. If you are unable to sign up in person, but wish to sign up or have questions, please contact Lynn Carrico at 940-453-7088 or lwcarrico@gmail.com.

#### CPR & AED Training for St. Andrew Members & Staff

Training on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and how to use an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) will be held at the church on March 27 from 5:30pm to 9:00pm. The training will be conducted by David Becker, Denton Fire Department Assistant Chief. The cost of the training will be \$50 per person to be paid on the training date. American Heart Association Heartsaver CPR/AED Accreditation is available with the training.

If you are interested in receiving the training or need more information, please sign up by contacting Jonny Ramsey at 940-206-4468, jramsey18@verizon.net, or by signing up on the sheet available on the office hallway bulletin board by March 5.

#### Share the Love with Patchouli Joes, TCP & Treehouse

Patchouli Joes' Bookstore (221 W. Hickory Street) is participating in the Denton Main Street Association's Share the Love Campaign in February by offering a source and drop-off point for book donations to The Children's Place Preschool and The Treehouse After School Program. Stop by Patchouli Joe's any day in February to purchase or donate new books for both of these St. Andrew missions. The Children's Place is currently in need of specific books (available at Patchouli's Joe's) for our new Summer at TCP Program. The Treehouse's students enjoy daily reading time from their school library. Please help us spread the word and Share the Love!

#### Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services Book Drive

During the month of February, TCU's Mary Couts Burnett Library is celebrating its 100th anniversary with a book drive to support Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services. PCHAS serves over 1400 children in 26 locations across Texas, Louisiana, and Missouri. This drive will provide books to children who have often never owned a book, or had books read to them. Help PCHAS and the TCU Library provide age-appropriate books in celebration of this anniversary! Use this link to the Amazon wish list: https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/32JF1C5SDI2GW. Books will be automatically delivered to the book drive organizers.

#### **Ed Moorehead Scholarship**

We are pleased to announce that a scholarship fund for graduating high school seniors has been established in memory of Ed Morehead by his wife, Mary. Those of you who knew Ed will undoubtedly remember him as a mentor who inspired countless young people through his genuine interest and involvement in their lives. We are grateful for Mary's generosity in establishing this meaningful endowment as a lasting legacy and fitting tribute to Ed's life of service to others.

St. Andrew's seniors are encouraged to apply for this renewable scholarship, which will be available for the first time this spring. Students who wish to be considered will need to complete an application, write an essay, and provide two adult references - one from St. Andrew and one from their high school. More than one student may be eligible to receive this scholarship in any given year. More information about the application process will be available soon.

#### Southern California Wildfire Response Assistance PDA Donations

As Southern California reels from the recent wildfires, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is seeking your donations to provide critical relief to families impacted and displaced by the fires. To directly help those in need of assistance, monetary donations can be made to PDA using the link below.

PDA DONATION LINK: https://pcusa.org/disaster-assistance/active-responses/national-disaster/southern-california-wildfires

To make donations directly to Pacific Palisades Presbyterian Church, destroyed by the fires, please use this link: https://www.palipres.org/

#### Items Needed for Our Daily Bread

The diaconate is collecting items for Our Daily Bread. Items may be donated in the box in the Narthex. Current needs are: travel size shampoo, travel size body wash, ethnic hair care products, women's new underwear (sizes S, M, L), men's new underwear (all sizes), sports bras (all sizes), food safe rubber gloves, napkins.

#### Give-a-Meal - \$2.29

St. Andrew donated \$1,332.53 to the Give-a-Meal program in January! Thank you for supporting the needs of those who are experiencing food insecurity during this time. A monetary donation of \$2.29 feeds a person in need for a week. Donations can be made by mail or online. Please write Give-a-Meal-a-Month on your envelope or check when giving by mail. To give online, visit standrewdenton.com/give and be sure to choose Give-a-Meal from the fund options to the right of your monetary donation.

#### **Prayer Requests**

Beverly Noah Jacy Williamson Ted Godwin-Stremler Tim Bergan Diann Arthur Steve Davis Norma Rockenbach Phillip Young

Cindy and John Fisher, sister and brother-in-law of Harriet Laney Tecla Chavira, mother of Frank Chavira Carole Hatcher, sister in law of Chuck Smith Shannon Fronz, friend of Barnett family Bill Tilley, uncle of Sara Armstrong Keren Billyack, friend of Connie Charat Richard Gascoyne, friend of Chuck Stoughton Carol Syverson, mother-in-law of Karen Raabe Craig Pickett, cousin of Steve Pickett Peter DiClenti, cousin of Steve Pickett Laura Bruening, mother of Lisa Dorr John Tillman, brother of Russ Tillman Debbie Kyzer, mother of Dan Kyzer Eddie Grier, friend of Jan Lewis Ed Simpson, brother of Jan Lewis Karen Whitson Ansley, niece of Lynn Carrico Norma Watts, mother of Jill Richmond Thom Holbrook, friend of Linda Heilig Rylen Lewis, grandson of Mark Lewis Ben Reynolds, relative of Clarice Luce Carolyn Brown, sister-in-law of Janette Hindman Lynn and Charlie Davis, friends of Chuck Smith Margie Ball, mother of Marissa Glasschroeder and Michael Ball Megan Terry Crawford, friend of Betty Sue and Mike Grandey Kim Hundley Owens, niece of Barbara Sims Family of Chris Stoughton, son of Chuck Stoughton

#### Welcome!

e proclaim that ALL people are created in the image of God and affirm that each person is a beloved child of God. We welcome all, celebrating our differences while finding unity in Christ. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

If you wish to join St. Andrew today, please contact one of the ministers.

#### Children's Chapel

During the worship service, children ages three years through kindergarten are invited to go to chapel immediately following the Children's Sermon.

#### **Daniel**

Marissa Glasschroeder and Mark Glasschroeder

Godly Play seeks to tell the stories of the faith so that children hear and remember these stories and become engaged in them. It also provides a place and opportunities for children to begin exploring the purpose and meaning of worship. Parents may come upstairs to the Children's Chapel to pick children up following the worship service.

By the Numbers: As of 12/31/24

Income (pledges + other income)\$1,080,349Expenses\$1,040,004Difference\$40,345

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Kirsten Trachsel, Director of Children's and Handbell Choirs
J. Christine Le, Director of Music
Daeun Kim, Organist



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Use the QR code to fill out the Ritual of Friendship on your phone! The online form has options to show whether you're in person, at Good Samaritan, or online!



St. Andrew Presbyterian Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

Stephen Ministers are trained to provide one-to-one care to those experiencing situations such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, or relocation. Please contact Richard Culp or Lisa Patterson to connect with Stephen Ministry.