**St Andrew Worship May 22, 2022**

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Welcome and Announcement

Call to Worship *(Responsive)*

We come together today drawn by the light of God’s Love

***In God’s eternal Kingdom darkness and despair are vanquished***

In God’s eternal realm peace and hope reign

***Let all the people praise God with their music and their voices***

Let all the people praise God with their deeds of loving kindness

***Praise be to God, AMEN***

\*Hymn 630 “Fairest Lord Jesus”

***Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,***

***O thou of God to earth come down,***

***Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,***

***thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.***

***Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,***

***robed in the blooming garb of spring.***

***Jesus is fairer; Jesus is purer,***

***who makes the woeful heart to sing.***

***Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,***

***and all the twinkling, starry host.***

***Jesus shines brighter; Jesus shines purer,***

***than all the angels heaven can boast.***

***Beautiful Savior, Ruler of the nations,***

***Son of God and Son of Man!***

***Glory and honor, praise, adoration,***

***now and forevermore be thine!***

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

***Kind and loving God, we acknowledge that we fail you continuously. Strengthen us that we may do your will in your love. Empower us to serve you and others in humility, and forgive us our failures and shortcomings.***

*(Time for silent reflection)****Amen***

Assurance of Grace

Thank God for His lovingkindness and forgiveness.  Scripture affirms that, “If we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.  Thanks be to God in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven.

Response “*Glory Be To The Father*”

Anthem  *“Go Tell Them”*  St. Andrew Choir

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer “*Lord Listen to Your Children Praying”*

\*Hymn 310 “I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”

***I love thy kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode,***

***the church our blest Redeemer saved with his own precious blood.***

***I love thy church, O God. Her walls before thee stand,***

***dear as the apple of thine eye, and graven on thy hand.***

***For her my tears shall fall; for her my prayers ascend;***

***to her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.***

***Beyond my highest joy I prize her heavenly ways:***

***her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.***

***Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zion shall be given***

***the brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heaven.***

Prayer of Illumination

Holy Father, our savior graciously promised to send us another comforter, who will guide us into all truth. We open our hearts and minds to the Holy Spirit, asking you to lead us into all truth through Your Word that you have graciously given us. ***Amen.***

First Lesson: Psalm 67:1-7

1 May God be gracious to us and bless us

 and make his face to shine upon us, Selah

2 that your way may be known upon earth,

 your saving power among all nations.

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;

 let all the peoples praise you.

4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

 for you judge the peoples with equity

 and guide the nations upon earth. Selah

5 Let the peoples praise you, O God;

 let all the peoples praise you.

6 The earth has yielded its increase;

 God, our God, has blessed us.

7 May God continue to bless us;

 let all the ends of the earth revere him.

Second Lesson: John 14:1-14

14 “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. 2 In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? 3And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. 4 And you know the way to the place where I am going.” 5 Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” 6 Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 7 If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

8 Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” 9 Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? 10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11 Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. 12 Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. 13 I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

Sermon “The Way Home” Elder Myles Billheimer

Affirmation

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 again 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.***

Offering

Doxology

Offering Prayer

Loving God, we thank you that you supply all of our needs according to your riches in glory. Give us thankful and generous hearts as we share from the bounty you have given us. In Jesus’ name. ***AMEN***

\*Hymn 611 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

***Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!***

***Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.***

***Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.***

***Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.***

***All thy works with joy surround thee; earth and heaven reflect thy rays;***

***stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.***

***Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,***

***chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.***

***Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began.***

***Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan.***

***Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife.***

***Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.***

Benediction