

St. Andrew Worship

October 15, 2023

Sunday at 10:30 AM

Stewardship

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Gathering Song

"There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

No. 408

Welcome and Announcement

*Call to Worship (Responsive)

Our help is in the name of the Lord

Maker of Heaven and Earth

This is the day the Lord has made

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth

Worship the Lord with gladness

Come into God's presence with singing

*Hymn 610

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

*O for a thousand tongues to sing my
dear Redeemer's praise, the glories of my
God and King, the triumphs of God's grace!*

*The name of Jesus charms our fears, and
bids our sorrows cease, sings music in the
sinner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.*

*Christ speaks, and listening to his voice new
life the dead receive; the mournful waken
to rejoice; the poor in heart believe.*

*My gracious Master and my God, as-
sist me to proclaim, to spread through all the
earth abroad the honors of thy name.*

*To God all glory, praise, and love be
now and ever given by saints below and
saints above, the church in earth and heaven.*

Confession of Sin (Unison)

*Our Father, forgive us for thinking small thoughts of You
and for ignoring your immensity and greatness.*

*Lord Jesus, forgive us when we forget that You rule
the nations and our small lives.*

*Holy Spirit, we offend You in minimizing your power
and squandering your gifts.*

*We confess that our blindness to your glory, O triune God,
has resulted in shallow confession,
tepid conviction, and only mild repentance.*

Have mercy upon us.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

Affirmation of God's Loving Grace (Responsive)

By the atoning sacrifice of Christ our sins are forgiven

Thanks be to God

Response (Unison)

"Glory Be to the Father"

No. 581

Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Sharing Joys and Concerns *(Please unmute to signal you want to share a prayer request)*

Song of Prayer *"Come and Fill" (pew song sheet)*

Prayers Lifted to God

*Hymn 263

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;

bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall,

hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball

to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!

We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!

Prayer of Illumination (Unison)

God of all truth, open our hearts and minds to be taught by Your Spirit.

Gospel Lesson:

Luke 10:25-37

²⁵Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” ²⁷He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” ²⁸And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

²⁹But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” ³⁰Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” ³⁷He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

This is the word of the lord.

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson:

II Corinthians 9:1-15

Now it is not necessary for me to write you about the ministry to the saints, ²for I know your eagerness, which is the subject of my boasting about you to the people of Macedonia, saying that Achaia has been ready since last year; and your zeal has stirred up most of them. ³But I am sending the brothers in order that our boasting about you may not prove to have been empty in this case, so that you may be ready, as I said you would be; ⁴otherwise, if some Macedonians come with me and find that you are not ready, we would be humiliated—to say nothing of you—in this undertaking. ⁵So I thought it necessary to urge the brothers to go on ahead to you, and arrange in advance for this bountiful gift that you have promised, so that it may be ready as a voluntary gift and not as an extortion.

⁶The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough . . .

of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. ⁹As it is written, “He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.”

¹⁰He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; ¹²for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. ¹³Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, ¹⁴while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. ¹⁵Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

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Sermon

“Hilarious Service”

Myles Billheimer

The Worship of God Through Giving

Offertory Music

Don Adkins, Piano

*Doxology

*Offering Prayer (*Unison*)

Generous and Loving God, help us to give and serve enthusiastically.

In the wonderful name of Jesus. Amen

Special Music:

“Beauty All Around Us”

St. Andrew Choir

*Affirmation of Faith (*Unison*) (*by Lisa Frenz*)

Into the silence of the void the Creator spoke, and the world came into being. The Word of God in the vastness brought light from darkness, matter from nothing, flesh from dust life from lifelessness.

In the quiet of a small town in Palestine the Word of God came to us. Even though of one being with the Creator, Jesus our Christ taking on human form, was born, lived and walked among us, speaking the words of life. He was crucified, died, and was buried He rose from the dead and speaks to us today. He is the one who saves us from ourselves.

In the stillness of our souls the Spirit of God, who is one with the Creator and the Christ whispers the Word, and calls us back to the Creator, back to the Christ back to the wholeness of everlasting life in the unity of the Creator, Christ and Spirit.

*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

CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Supplemental Bible Passages

Proverbs 11:24-28

Proverbs 19:17

Psalms 126

Isaiah 55:11

Acts 20:35

Galatians 6:22-26

Galatians 6:1-8

Philippians 4:10-19

Luke 6:37-45