



**St. Andrew
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Worship Bulletin for October 26, 2025

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome and Announcements

Stewardship Moment

David Allshouse

***Call to Worship (responsive)**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

God blesses us with gifts of love:

with food and clothing, home and family.

God blesses us with daily work:

and all we need from day to day.

God calls us into relationship with him:

and forms us into one holy people, the Church of Jesus Christ in this place.

Therefore shall we offer thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.

***Hymn**

Now Thank We All Our God

GtG #643

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:
The one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

Prayer of Confession (responsive)

Holy One, we long to be faithful stewards of your abundant grace.

To serve each other in love and humility.

To serve your world with wisdom and energy.

Forgive us when we stumble over pride,
when our words and actions are not guided by love.

Turn our hearts when we act in folly.

Restore our energy when it is gone.

Sometimes, many times, O God, our efforts fail.

But your abundant grace is strong and eternal,

And forgiveness is ours through Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God.

Time for silent reflection.

Assurance of Grace (responsive)

Family of God, lift up your spirits with thanksgiving to God whose nature is always to have mercy. You are forgiven, all things have become new!

Through Christ Jesus our Savior!

***Gloria Patri**

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.

Anthem

All Things Bright and Beautiful arr. By Larry Sue

Bell Choir

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

(Those with prayer requests worshipping online, please text Anne the day before so your request can be lifted-831345-6324)

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Song of prayer

O Lord, Hear Our Prayer

(pew song sheet)

Prayers lifted to God and The 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 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.

***Hymn**

For the Life That You Have Given (2x)

GtG # 717 (alt. tune Abbot Leigh)

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:

Here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring;
give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination (*unison*)

Draw us close, Holy Spirit, as the Scriptures are read and the Word is proclaimed. Let the word of faith be on our lips and in our hearts, and let all other words slip away. May there be one voice we hear today — the voice of truth and grace. Amen.

First Lesson:

Colossians 3:15-17

NT page #201

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Second Lesson:

1 Peter 4:7-11

NT page #235

The end of all things is near; therefore be serious and discipline yourselves for the sake of your prayers. Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaining. Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

Sermon

Manifold Grace

The Rev. Anne McAnelly

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

*Affirmation of Faith

We believe in one God, creator of all life, maker of past, present and future.

Lord of all people and of all memories and hopes.

We believe in Jesus Christ,

God's Word of grace, and love made flesh,

who came to declare good news to those in despair,

to liberate both the oppressed and the oppressor,

to proclaim God's mercy as our hope.

We believe in God's Holy Spirit,

who takes our shattered dreams and makes us whole again,

who lifts our dying spirits and gives us courage,

who resurrects us to new life.

We believe that the Church is of God

and will endure to the end of time,

and calls us into a life of love and service.

Offering

Offertory

Adagio by Mozart arr.by Malcolm Wilson

Bell Choir

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offering Prayer (unison)

Humble and merciful God, you do not require perfection, only a heart that is open.
Receive these gifts, not as a sign of our righteousness, but as a humble offering
from those who know they need your grace. Teach us again that generosity begins
not in pride, but in gratitude—not in proving our worth, but in trusting yours. May
what we give today grow into mercy, justice, and joy in the lives of others and in
our own. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

WE LIVE TO SERVE

*Hymn

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

GtG #716

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door:
Gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ,
your Son: all at peace in health and freedom, races joined,
the church made one. Now direct our daily labor,
lest we strive for self alone. Born with talents,
make us servants fit to answer at your throne.

Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers
your grace conferred: ours to use for home and kindred,
and to spread the gospel word. Open wide our hands in sharing,
as we heed Christ's ageless call, healing, teaching, and reclaiming,
serving you by loving all.

Benediction

The service of worship ends, the service of neighbor and world begins

TODAY'S SERVERS

LITURGIST:

GREETER: Dorothy Glaum

COFFEE HOST: Michele Pomroy

OFFERING COUNTER: Pam Arnsberger

Unity Candle: This week we pray for Gilroy Presbyterian Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, October 26th, Cluster 1 meets

Monday, October 27th, Bell Choir at 2:15PM, Thomas Lounge

Tuesday, October 28th: Book Study at 1:00PM, Zoom

In Do I Stay Christian, by Brian McLaren, please read Ch. 21 thru Ch. 23

Wednesday, October 29th, Life Line Screening, 8AM-5:30PM, Hubler Hall

Thursday, October 30th: Choir Practice at 2PM