

ALL are welcome here. Worship is a series of invitations; accept only those you feel called to accept. Feel free to change language in a respectful manner if it helps the hour to be more worshipful for you.

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GATHERING

Prelude

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome

Time to Center



***Call to Worship**

Gather us in, the lost and the lonely, the broken and breaking, the tired and aching who long for the nourishment of the Bread of Life.

Gather us in.

The done and the doubting, the wishing and wondering, the puzzled and pondering who long for the company of the Body of Christ.

Gather us in.

Matthew 11:28-30

The bright and the bursting, the stirrers, the shakers,
the kind laughter makers who long for deeper joys found
in the Beloved Community.
Gather us in.

Opening Hymn | *For Everyone Born

Glory to God #769

Call to Confession

Jesus once said,
"Come to me, all you who labor and are heavily
burdened, and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me;
for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest
for your souls.
For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Let us open our hearts to the one who offers us such a
welcome.

Prayer of Confession

***God of life, you are the source of all love and the
satisfaction of all our desires.***

Our understanding of you is small; increase it.

Our desire to do your will is weak; enliven it.

***The seed you have planted has yet to bear fruit;
ripen it.***

***But first, create in us clean hearts, as in your sight
we unburden ourselves...***

Silent Prayers of Confession

...In Jesus' name.

Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

These are the words of Jesus.

They are Strong and True:

"I have come that you many have life in all its fullness.

Go in peace, your sins are forgiven."

Thanks be to God!

***Response of Praise | Kyrie Eleison**

St. A's Songbook #195

***Passing the Peace**

... The Peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

THE WORD

Prayer of Preparation

*As we open ourselves to God's word in song, scripture,
and speech, let us pray...*

God of all Wisdom, give us your Word

and send us your spirit

so that we may know Christ. Amen.

A Reading from the Book of Philippians

Philippians 4:3b-14

A Reading from the Gospel According to Matthew

Matthew 21:33-46

Sermon

Jesus' Take on What We "Own"

Rev. Scott Dalgarno

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***Affirmation of Faith**

*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.*

*Thank you for your
faithful giving that fuels
the mission and
ministries of St.
Andrew's!*

Philippians 3:10-14

***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.***

Worshipping God with our Tithes and Offerings

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

***Song of Praise | *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings
Flow (Doxology)***

Glory to God #609

***Prayer of Dedication**

***We give you thanks and praise, O God,
for all your good gifts, and above all,
for the gift of knowing Christ our Savior.
Strengthen us as we continue to strive
for the heavenly prize that you offer:
eternal and abundant life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.***

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**...out of the soil comes abundant harvest: wheat
whirling in winds' delight, grapes clinging to the Vine.**

You rain down your compassion

And feed us with mercy.

When we want more than our share,

And pollute all the works of your hands,

*You let us sit in our own refuse, until we cry out.
Then you stretch forth your hand to wash all clean.
You grow prophets to lead us into freedom's
plenty.*

In the fullness of time You yourself came.

...We offer you back our breath, proclaiming ...

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Prayers of the People & the Prayer that Jesus Taught

Sharing the Bread and Cup

SENDING

*Closing Hymn | *One Bread, One Body*

Glory to God #530

Our Ministry in Christ

Announcements

Charge and Benediction

*Sung Response | *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah*

(chorus only)

Glory to God #591

Postlude

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We give thanks for the gift of life and love as we celebrate the birthdays and anniversaries of our church family this month, praying for God's continued grace and joy in every new year ahead.

October Birthdays

Laura Faulkner - October 1
Erica Herb - October 2
Ray Blair - October 3
Linda Jessell - October 5
JoAnn Tower - October 6
Nancy Kraemer - October 7
Stephen Silver - October 7
Dale Sherbourne - October 13
Bob Hughes - October 19
Becky White - October 19
Chuck White - October 19
Cory Chesnut - October 20
Marie Dolson - October 24
Aubrey Shiefelbein - October 26
Steve Planck - October 27
Barrett Tanous - October 27

October Anniversaries

Jake & Kara Errico - October 28

Welcome to St. Andrew's PDX!
Welcome Home! We are so glad you are here.

Connecting with Christ and each other to Serve Our Neighbors

Join us for worship every Sunday at 10:00am,
both in person and online via Zoom and Facebook.
Visit our website for the worship links and the weekly worship bulletin.

Please use blue prayer cards (or Zoom chat) to share prayer requests.
You can pass these to the pastor during the passing of the peace or give
them
to an usher at any time in the first half of the service.

PRINTED COPIES OF TODAY'S SERMON ARE AVAILABLE



We encourage you to leave your **offerings and sign-in sheets** in the offering plates that are passed during worship. Offerings can also be made anytime on our website, www.standrewspdx.com



Today's worship leadership includes the Rev. Scott Dalgarno, Guest Preacher;
Carol Patterson, Worship Elder; Don Feely, Director of Music;
Diana Zapata, worship assistant; Nancy Goering, songlead;
Caroline Sanderson-Doughty, AV tech assistant;
and Laura Planck, sound technician.

About Our Guest Preacher: The Rev. Scott Dalgarno has served as a preaching pastor in five Presbyterian Churches in Oregon. Most recently, he served Southminster, Beaverton. He has also served Westminster, Eugene; Westminster, Portland; Grace Presbyterian, Portland; and First Presbyterian, Ashland. Rev. Dalgarno has also pastored Wasatch Presbyterian Church in Salt Lake City (2011 to 2021). He lives in Lake Oswego where he writes every day. His writing can be found on the web at www.scottdalgarno.org.



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New News & Announcements

See your eNews for full details

PREPARING TO WELCOME PASTOR KIM

As we look ahead on the calendar, we are eager to meet our new Transitional Pastor, Rev. Dr. Kim Jackson. Our Deacons and Fellowship Elders are currently planning a few events at which you can meet Pastor Kim and welcome her at St. A's and plans are underway for a meal train as she settles into the area. If you have any ideas for some fun activities or suggestions of go-to places, please let Kara know as we're compiling a little local "guide" to gift to Pastor Kim upon her arrival.

Mission Updates

For full details about mission and ministry work, contact the office, and refer to your eNews and Upcoming Events in this bulletin for special events.

Neighborhood House - Current legislation and drastic cuts to food assistance and Head Start programs will undoubtedly create more hardship to this organization and the people it serves. You can help by: donating to their social safety net services; contacting your legislators to support SNAP, Head Start, and housing assistance programs; and talking to others to increase awareness of this crisis to our most vulnerable neighbors. Visit their website for more ways to help -- www.nhpdx.org.

Ziploc Ministry - Resuming on **Saturday, November 7**, this ministry meets monthly to fill bags with hygiene and personal items to be distributed to our unhoused neighbors.

West Women & Children's Shelter - We prepare and deliver homemade casseroles and other food items to this domestic violence shelter throughout the year. Recipes and instructions are provided; reimbursement is available.

Quilters - Gathers on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, at 9:30am. Contact Gail Planck for more info.

Homelessness Outreach - We support the Multnomah Safe Rest Village and the Southwest Outreach shower program. See your eNews for volunteer opportunities.

Learning & Fellowship Opportunities

- **Sunday Coffee Hour** - Volunteers are needed for Sundays. Contact Marie Dolson or Gail Planck for more info.
- **Family Fellowship** - Please join us on the 2nd Sunday of each month after service downstairs in Calvin Hall for an all-ages, family-focused service (with meal provided). Children in attendance will hear a Bible story and then take part in a craft that mirrors the lesson. Guests are always welcome!
- **Sanctuary Choir** - The choir rehearses after each Sunday service. We plan to begin rehearsals again soon, so that we will be prepared to sing something as we welcome Pastor Kim on November 1. Please contact Don Feely for more info.
- **Men's Bible Study** - This group meets at 7am via Zoom on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. Contact Larry Kelley for more info.
- **Spiritual Formation Group** - Please join us from 12:30-2:00pm in the lounge for our next class on **Wednesday, October 21st**. This is a drop-in group; no need to have read the book!

Upcoming Events

October 4 & 11 10:00am Hybrid Worship October 11 11:00am Sanctuary Choir St. Andrew's October 11 11:00am Family Fellowship St. Andrew's October 14 9:30-11:30am Quilters Group St. Andrew's	October 9 & 16 10:00-12:00pm Virtual Coffee Chat Zoom October 15 10:00am St. A's Book Club St. Andrew's October 21 12:30pm Spiritual Formation Group St. Andrew's	November 7 10:30am First Saturday Ziploc Ministry St. Andrew's November 14 9:00am-12:00pm Parking Lot Cleanup St. Andrew's
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Thoughts from Your Session

(Written October 1st)

Dear friends in Christ,

This Sunday is World Communion Sunday -- a time when All of God's people gather around the Table to celebrate the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Part of the atonement that happens around this Table is reconciliation, which is the focus of the World Communion Offering. Experience the grace that comes from reconciling all peoples from all nations around the corner and around the globe through the ministry of this offering.

Closer to home, we are preparing to welcome our Transitional Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Kim Jackson, who will begin preaching at St. Andrew's on Sunday, November 1. We are so thankful to and grateful for the individuals who helped bring Pastor Kim on board. Stay tuned for next week's edition of the eNews, at which time we'll share with you a little bit about what led Session Elders to ultimately select Pastor Kim to lead St. A's through the next phase of our church life together.

In Christ,

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Session