



St. Andrew's
Presbyterian Church

Third Sunday of Pentecost
June 14, 2026
10:00am, Chapel

<https://https://zoom.us/j/738059997>
<http://www.facebook.com/standrewspdx/live>

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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Inspired by Ruth 1 and Mark 12

GATHERING

Prelude

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome

Time to Center



***Call to Worship**

Here in this place, there are no foreigners,
for all are welcome in God's house.

***Here in this worship, there is only acceptance,
for love is the language of faith.***

Here in our lives, there are no divisions,
for God dwells in each of us.

Come, let us worship in unity and love.

Opening Hymn | *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
Glory to God #65

1 Peter 5:7

Call to Confession

Hear these words from the First letter of Peter:

Kindred in Christ,
God not only desires our repentance,
but longs to offer us forgiveness.
Therefore, cast all your anxiety on God,
because God cares for you eternally.

Let us confess our sin together.

Prayer of Confession

*Merciful God,
for the things we have done that we regret,
forgive us;
for the things we have failed to do that we regret,
forgive us;
for all the times we have acted without love,
forgive us;
for all the times we have reacted without thought,
forgive us;
for all the times we have withdrawn care,
forgive us;
for all the times we have failed to forgive,
forgive us.*

*For hurtful words said and helpful words unsaid,
for unfinished tasks
and unfulfilled hopes,
God of all time,
forgive us and help us
to lay down our burden of regret. Amen.*

Silent Prayers of Confession

...In Jesus' name.
Amen.

From
Colossians 3:15-17
(The Message)

Assurance of Pardon

The peace of Christ keeps us in tune with each other.
The power of the Spirit keeps us in step with
one another.
The grace of the Creator grants forgiveness,
making us grateful.

Thanks be to God for the Good News:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***Response of Praise | *Glory to God, Whose Goodness
Shines on Me***

Glory to God #582

***Passing the Peace**

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

THE WORD

Acts 2:11

Prayer of Preparation

***Almighty God, by the power of your Holy Spirit,
speak to us in the language of our hearts,
that we may hear your Word with understanding
and answer your call with confidence. Amen.***

A Reading from the Gospel According to Matthew

Matthew 7:7-8

Conversation with the Younger Church

A Reading from the Book of Ruth

Ruth 3:1-18

Sermon

Elder Roberta Schlechter

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn | *We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

Glory to God #817

**Worshipping God with our Tithes and Offerings
Invitation to Generosity**

Offertory

Song of Praise | *O God, You Are My God

Glory to God #743

***Prayer of Dedication**

*O God, may these gifts bring light to those who
walk in darkness,
hope to those who live in despair,
and justice to those who are oppressed.
Grant to each giver a sense of participation
in the most important opportunity of all time—
to share your love with the world.
To this end, we dedicate our offerings and
ourselves. Amen.*

Prayers of the People & the Prayer that Jesus Taught

SENDING

**Our Ministry in Christ
*Announcements***

Charge and Benediction

Sung Response | *Go with Us, Lord

Glory to God #748

Postlude

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

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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.

June Birthdays

Dick Shettler - June 1
Greg Williams - June 1
Carol Patterson - June 9
Victoriano Ledezma-Tilton - June 12
Randy Schlecheter - June 16
Steve Cook - June 18
John Sherwood - June 18
Merrie Backer - June 19
Connie Lloyd - June 22
Nancy Mitchell - June 28

June Anniversaries

Kathy & Larry Kelley - June 9
Amy Houchen & Rick Wise - June 9
Becky & Chuck White - June 9
Gail & Steve Planck - June 15
John & Mary Sherwood - June 21
Connie & John Blumthal - June 21
Lorinda & Ray Moholt - June 24
Steve Cook & Marianne Parshley - June 26

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.

Join us for Supper Church on second and fourth Sundays at 5pm.
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 Roberta Schlechter, Elder and
the Rev. Amy Delaney, Bridge Pastor; Jeffrey Kaye, guest musician;
Ryan Patterson, worship assistant; Nancy Goering, song leader;
Caroline Sanderson-Doughty, AV tech assistant; and Larry Patterson, sound technician.



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Mission Updates

*See your eNews, Upcoming Events in this bulletin,
or contact the office for full details.*

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 - Join us on the first Saturday of each month to fill bags with hygiene and personal items to be distributed to our unhoused neighbors. We will NOT meet in July due to the Independence Day holiday – stay tuned for details of our next gathering. ****New socks and men's boxer-briefs donations always needed****

West Women & Children’s Shelter - We prepare and deliver monthly, homemade casseroles and other food items to this domestic violence shelter. Recipes and instructions are provided. Casseroles are dropped off at the first Saturday Ziploc event – we’re working to determine where/when to drop off July’s WWCS casseroles, due to the cancellation of the Ziploc event on July 4.

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.
- **Supper Church** - *Due to excessive heat, we’ve postponed our next gathering.* Join us after service on the 2nd Sunday of each month for food and fellowship, as well as fun for the kiddos! We will meet in Friendship Hall (the gym) on **Sunday, July 12** for an all-ages, family-focused service (with meal provided) and children in attendance hear a Bible story and then take part in a craft that mirrors the lesson. Guests are always welcome!
- **Sanctuary Choir** - Our choir is taking a break for the summer and will resume rehearsals in the Fall.
- **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 this Wednesday, June 17th. This is a drop-in group; no need to have read the book!

Upcoming Events

<p>June 14 & 21 10:00am Hybrid Worship</p>	<p>June 24 9:30-11:30am Quilters Group St. Andrew’s</p>
<p>June 17 12:30-2:00pm Spiritual Formation Group St. Andrew’s</p>	<p>June 28 11:00am After-Church Picnic St. Andrew’s</p>
<p>June 18 10:00am St. A’s Book Club St. Andrew’s</p>	<p>July 12 11:00am Supper Church St. Andrew’s</p>

New News & Announcements

See your eNews for full details

AFTER-CHURCH PICNIC

Our next potluck is happening **Sunday, June 28**, and will be picnic themed! This will also be Pastor Amy's last day as our Bridge Pastor. It's not a "goodbye," as she'll continue to worship with us, but it's a chance to stop by and express your thanks to her for stepping in and filling our pastoral role the last few months. Come join us after service and share food and fellowship. All are welcome!

UPCOMING CELEBRATIONS OF LIFE

While this time of year brings about so many activities and celebrations of milestones and more, it is also a time for our church family to reflect upon and celebrate the lives of several individuals we've recently lost. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend and honor their memories, as we keep their families in our prayers:

- **Gwen Wildfong's memorial service will be held here at St. A's at 11am on Saturday, August 1. A luncheon will be held after the service at the Jewish Community Center.**

- **Sue Malter's memorial service will be held at St. Andrew's. Date and time to be announced.**

Thoughts from Pastor Amy (Written June 10th)

Dear friends in Christ,

The memorial for member Steve Griffith this past Sunday was a beautiful tribute, including many touching and memorable moments. The service was recorded on YouTube and, as of this writing, was still available to watch at the link for the live stream (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mmeh0EM0-Xg>). One of the friends of the family sang a medley as part of the service, including a Cat Stevens song from the 70s that I had forgotten. It is titled "On the Road to Find Out." In the song, there is a tension between the hurry and anxiety of our modern life, and the peaceful reassurance of nature, represented by a robin's song telling us not to worry.

I have felt that tension in my last month in this role as Bridge Pastor with you. There's so much to do! But there is also so much to sit and listen and pray with. In a counterpoint to the oft quoted saying, "Don't just pray, do something!," a motto among my spiritual director friends is "Don't just do something, pray!" The latter, of course, is a reminder of the necessity for prayer in the midst of our

discernment. We can easily just go and do something - anything - to ease our restlessness. But sometimes taking the time to sit with the uncertainty and seeking God's guidance leads us to even better choices and ideas.

As I began writing this reflection on Tuesday, the rain clouds rolled through the neighborhood. The skylight in my office would darken, then the rain would fall loudly on its window. Then the sky would lighten once more. Isn't that also a metaphor for this season of transition?

I am looking toward the changes the next months will bring - for me as I resume my role in the pews with you, for the leadership of the church as you welcome a transitional pastor, and for all of us as we navigate the stormy waters of the current age - and reminding myself "don't just do something - pray!"

In Christ,

Pastor Amy