St. Andrew's Hespeler Presbyterian Church June 11, 2023 Second Sunday After Pentecost

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Monday—Friday 9am-12pm

Order of Worship. We will meet in person at 10 am. You may also join us online. The link will be posted on the website.



Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

- L: Rejoice in the Lord, you people of God!
- P: We will sing songs old and new to praise our God.
- L: God loves righteousness and justice;
- P: We will do our best to serve God faithfully.
- L: The earth is full of God's steadfast love.
- P: We come to worship with glad hearts, to offer our love and loyalty

Hymn #15 The Lord's my light

- 1. The Lord's my light and saving health; who shall make me dismayed? God is the stronghold of my life: who shall make me afraid?
- 2. Though wars arise and armies camp against me, I'll not fear;I will stand firm and confident:I know that God is near.

- One thing I asked of God the Lord, and will seek to obtain, that all days of my life I may within God's house remain,
- 4. that I the beauty of the Lord may worship and admire, that I in God's most holy place may reverently enquire.
- In evil, troubled days, my God will hide and shelter me, and raise me high upon a rock above my enemy.
- 6. Now I will offer sacrifice for all God's saving grace, with melody unto the Lord and joyful shouts of praise!

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Prayer of Approach

L: You, O God, are overflowing with love, infinite in kindness, incomparable in glory. You are the source of all good things. In you, all things work together for good. Your presence breaks into our lives in many ways and you touch us with wonder. In this time of worship, we offer you thanks with our prayers, praise with our hearts, and honour with our lives, this day and every day, now and always. Amen.

Setting Aside our Burdens

Responsive Psalm 33:1-12

- L: Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous. Praise befits the upright.
- P: Praise the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings. Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

- L: For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.
- P: He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.
- L: By the word of the LORD the heavens were made and all their host by the breath of his mouth.
- P: He gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle; he put the deeps in storehouses.
- L: Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him,
- P: for he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.
- L: The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples. The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.
- P: Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.

Video Reading: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Read by Cynthia MacDonald

Hymn #203 When Jesus the healer

1. When Jesus the healer passed through Galilee, Heal us, heal us today!

The deaf same to hear and the blind same to see

The deaf came to hear and the blind came to see. Heal us, Lord Jesus!

- 2. A paralyzed man was let down through a roof.Heal us, heal us today!His sins were forgiven, his walking the proof.Heal us, Lord Jesus!
- 3. The death of his daughter caused Jairus to weep. Heal us, heal us today! The Lord took her hand, and he raised her from sleep. Heal us, Lord Jesus!
- 4. When blind Bartimaeus cried out to the Lord, Heal us, heal us today! His faith made him whole and his sight was restored. Heal us, Lord Jesus!
- 5. The lepers were healed and the demons cast out. Heal us, heal us today!
 A bent woman straightened to laugh and to shout. Heal us, Lord Jesus!
- 6. The twelve were commissioned and sent out in twos Heal us, heal us today! to make the sick whole and to spread the good news. Heal us, Lord Jesus!

7. There's still so much sickness and suffering today.
Heal us, heal us today!
We gather together for healing, and pray:
Heal us, Lord Jesus!

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Family Time

Life and Work of the Church

Celebration of our Generosity

Offertory: We are one in the Spirit

Sermon: She found one weird trick to cure a flow of blood! (Doctors hate her!)

Prayers of the People

Hymn #193 Out of my bondage, sorrow and night
1. Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come;
into thy freedom, gladness and light,
Jesus, I come to thee;
out of my sickness into thy health,
out of my want and into thy wealth,
out of my sin and into thyself,
Jesus, I come to thee.

- 2. Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come; into the glorious gain of thy cross, Jesus, I come to thee; out of earth's sorrows into thy balm, out of life's storms and into thy calm, out of distress to jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to thee.
- 3. Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come; into thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to thee; out of myself to dwell in thy love, out of despair into raptures above, upward for aye on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to thee.
- 4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come; into the joy and light of thy home, Jesus, I come to thee; out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of thy sheltering fold, ever thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to thee.

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Benediction

Choral Response

Go now in peace...never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above.

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Postlude Martin Bohl

Other lectionary reading this week:

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Genesis 12:1-9

¹ Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ² I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

⁴ So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵ Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot and all the possessions that they had gathered and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran, and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, ⁶ Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites

were in the land. ⁷ Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. ⁸ From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east, and there he built an altar to the LORD and invoked the name of the LORD. ⁹ And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

Romans 4:13-25

¹³ For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

¹⁶ For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸ Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So shall your descendants be." ¹⁹ He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. 20 No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. 22 Therefore "it was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³ Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone ²⁴ but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵ who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

We are grateful to those who were involved in worship this morning:

Greeters: Allison and Andy Cann Beadle: Sylvia Brooks
Organist: Martin Bohl Soloist: Jane Bennett
Tech Team: Laura Einwechter & Dylan Smith Worship Assistant: Joanne Waugh

This Week at St. Andrew's

Today: Potluck lunch After worship
Tuesday: Hope Clothing 9:00—11:30AM
Thursday: Hope Clothing Noon—2:00 PM

Please join us, in the Fellowship Hall, for a potluck lunch following worship. Your Reference Group (RG) is excited to share with you the Next Steps in our Journey once we are finished eating.





Please plan to join us next Sunday, June 18. We will welcome Rev. Cathy Stewart one last time as we wrap up our Journey of Discovery. This will give us a chance to show our appreciation to Cathy for her leadership throughout this process which began last October.

Join us on our Journey

Daily Prayers

Sunday, June 11 We pray for the homeless and underhoused and that their needs for shelter, food and medical assistance are met.

Monday, June 12 We pray for the Rev. Lara Scholey, who serves as the denominational representative to the Interfaith Committee on Canadian Military Chaplaincy.

Tuesday, June 13 We pray for those who are considering theological education at the Presbyterian colleges. May they have open hearts, clear callings and God's sustaining presence.

Prayer Partnership

Engaging in God's Mission Through Word and Action

Wednesday, June 14 We pray for the people who gather and serve at the Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry in Saskatchewan, and we give thanks for their ministry.

Thursday, June 15 We pray for leaders of PCC camps as they plan for another summer filled with exciting programs and activities.

Friday, June 16 We pray for Reserve Force Chaplains, who serve in the church as civilians and in the nation as chaplains.

Saturday, June 17 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Brampton in Ontario.

Sunday, June 11—Mission Moment

Prema and her five children live in the Umerkot district of Pakistan. After her husband's death, Prema found it very difficult to provide for her family, and severe drought throughout the district only brought more hardship. Her eldest son tried hard to find work so that he could help support his mother and siblings, but despite his best efforts, his job prospects were limited due to a physical disability. A glimmer of hope came when Prema and her family were selected for a food assistance project run by Presbyterian World Service & Development's local partner. The food aid that Prema's family has received through the project has helped them to become more resilient to future adverse events.





