



**ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**DENTON, TEXAS**

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

May 21, 2017, 10:30 a.m.

*Hearing devices and large print Bibles and hymnals are available. Ask an usher.*

**GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD**

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please sign the Ritual of Friendship pad in the pews.*

RINGING OF THE BELL

James Fite

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

**People: Sing the glory of God's name; give to God glorious praise.**

Leader: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

**People: All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name.**

Leader: Come and see what God has done:

**People: God has done awesome deeds among mortals.**

OPENING PRAYER

Lisa Patterson

\*HYMN 248

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

HYMN TO JOY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty and gracious God, you give us every reason to have confidence in you. Still, we are burdened by questions: Where are you calling us to go? From where will our help come? How can your promises be fulfilled? Patient God, we confess our fear and lack of faith in you. We admit our confusion and resistance to your teachings. Open our minds, O God, and open our hearts, that we may know you are faithful and trust your gracious care for us. In Christ's name we pray. Amen. (Time of silent confession)**

SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn 273

*He is King of kings; he is Lord of lords, Jesus Christ, the first and last, no one works like him  
Oh he is (Repeat)*

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

CALL TO FAITHFULNESS

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

\*SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn 583

*Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!  
Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!*

## PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jonathon Fite

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 35: 5-10

Old Testament, page 623

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

How Lovely are the Messengers (St. Paul)

Mendelssohn

*How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace!  
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words. (Romans 5: 15-16)*

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*Children ages three years through kindergarten are invited to go to the Children's Chapel at this time. Older children are invited to remain in the sanctuary with their parents.*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 8: 22-26

New Testament, page 41

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

*More than a Healing Touch*

Richard B. Culp

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\*HYMN 44

There Is a Balm in Gilead

BALM IN GILEAD

COMMISSIONING OF STEPHEN MINISTER (SEE INSERT)

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Legacy Giving

Stefanie Marsden

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Andante tranquillo (from Sonata No. 3 in A major) Felix Mendelssohn

\*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAISE GOD (Hopson)

Hymn 608

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## TAKING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN 177

I Will Come to You

YOU ARE MINE

# THE COMMISSIONING OF A STEPHEN MINISTER

MAY 21, 2017

## WORDS OF PREPARATION

Leader: There are varieties of gifts.

**People: But it is the same Spirit who gives them.**

Leader: There are different ways for serving God.

**People: But it is the Lord who is served.**

Leader: God works through each person in a unique way,

**People: But it is God's purpose that is accomplished.**

Leader: To each is given a gift by the Spirit to be used for the common good.

**People: Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.**

## PRESENTATION OF STEPHEN MINISTER

Stephen Leader Karen Dower: On behalf of the Stephen Ministers of St. Andrew, I present Jill Personius to be commissioned as a Stephen Minister.

Jill has completed Stephen Ministry training and now commits to engaging in these ministries, just as our Lord Jesus did: serve those in our congregation and community who need to be comforted; be responsive to the needs of others; be a friend to those who are burdened under the stress of life; be a patient listener in a hurried world; heal divisions and strive to make people whole; use her skills and talents to help those people for whom she serves and pray for them; help our community grow in its care of others; and share her personal experiences of faith with others so that they may celebrate the presence of Christ in our world.

## QUESTIONS FOR THE STEPHEN MINISTER

Jill, do you commit to the ministries for which you been trained?

*(I do, with God's help)*

Will you nurture the skills you have learned and use them in service to other – to support, encourage, build up and comfort people in all their needs?

*(I will, with God's help)*

Will you serve as a Stephen Minister for St. Andrew Presbyterian Church?

*(I will, with God's help)*

Through your prayers and your gifts, your study and your service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Christ?

## QUESTIONS FOR THE CONGREGATION

Will you open your hearts to Jill's ministry as a Stephen Minister and pray for her?

*(We will, with God's help)*

Will you accept Jill's ministry in your own life when you find yourself in need of support?

*(We will, with God's help)*

## ANOINTING OF STEPHEN MINISTER

## COMMENDATION OF STEPHEN MINISTER

## PRAYER (unison)

Almighty God, we ask that you take Jill into your care. We give thanks for the gifts and talents you have provided her and ask that you guide her work as a Stephen Minister. Indeed, we pray for all the Stephen Ministers, that they may be guided by your Holy Spirit, be quick to serve, patient in listening, and willing to share themselves with others. Keep the Stephen Ministers strong in the faith you have given them for the sake of Jesus, who cares for all of us in every way. In his name, we pray. Amen.

## DISMISSAL

## \*BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

Partita variation on "Sei gegrüßet"

Johann Sebastian Bach

\*Those who are able are asked to stand.

The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God by Joan Groom in loving memory of J Charles Groom and Mattie Jo Groom and in honor of Albert L. Jeffreys.

### **Youth BBQ**

It's time for our 11th annual Youth BBQ fundraiser on Sunday, May 21 in Fellowship Hall following worship. This is a great chance for the St. Andrew family to gather in support of our youth. We'll feast on BBQ with all the fixin's, bid on baked goods, play games, make crafts, and even get the kids' faces painted. If you didn't have a chance to pre-order a St. Andrew t-shirt, a limited number will be for sale. Proceeds go directly to the youth ministry, helping fund scholarships for youth mission opportunities and trips.

Please contribute baked goods (cakes, pies, grouped cupcakes, brownies, and cookies) for the bake auction--we would GREATLY appreciate it. Larger items like cakes and pies will be auctioned. Smaller items--like brownies and cookies--will be sold individually. These baked goods usually bring in anywhere from \$500-\$700, so this request is very important for our Youth Ministry. Thank You!

If you have any questions, please get in touch with Brandi Schoel. Brandi@saint-andrew.com

### **Let's Go to the Zoo!**

*Friday, June 2*

We'll board a comfy Road Runner tour bus at 7:30am in St. Andrew's parking lot. Travel to the Dallas Zoo for a day of fun and adventure with the animals and their guardians. We'll talk conservation and have an opportunity to adopt an animal! Catered Box Lunch included. Harrison Edell is our personal tour guide.

See Pat Edell for reservations: Sundays-Narthex or Wednesday mornings at the church office. \$45 Seniors and children under 12 - \$50 adults (ages 12-64).

*Save the Date*

### **Vacation Bible School**

*June 26-30*

Watch for registration details in upcoming issues of The Shield.

### **Presbyterian Social Club**

Save the Dates! We have finalized the upcoming events for the summer! We realize many people travel or are busy with other things in the summer, but some people stay in town and still want opportunities to socialize and get out! So we've created a few events to do so!

Thursday, May 25 6:30pm-8:00pm Concert on the Square  
(Free! Kids can join)

Sunday, June 11 4:00pm-8:00pm Pool Party at the Culps (adults only)  
Church nursery available. RSVP w/ Ms. Sue at toddlerqueen2@gmail.com  
Bring side dish or dessert. BYOB. Bring swimsuits/towels.

Monday, July 3 7:05pm Rough Riders game in Frisco (kids can join)

Saturday, July 29 Lake Ray Roberts day (swimming, fishing, picnic, etc.)  
(kids can join)

Please save the dates and come join us if you're in town! Spread the word and look for the dates to be in The Shield and the bulletin.

### **Last Women's Retreat to the St. Andrew Cabin**

**in Pagosa Springs, Colorado**

**July 15-21, Cost \$200**

We will study the women of the Bible like Lydia, Deborah, Esther, Martha, Mary Magdalene, Miriam, Ruth, and Elizabeth using biblical texts as well as the short book, The Friendship of Women, by Joan Chittister.

Questions? Ask Brandi Schoel, brandi@saint-andrew.com or Lisa Patterson, lisa@saint-andrew.com

### **Prayer Concerns This Week**

Shirley Graham, mother of Natalie Garcia  
June Graham, aunt of Leslie Culp  
Lura Pierce, mother of Bekah Barnett  
MaryLee Simpson, sister-in-law of Jan Lewis  
Angela Simpson, niece of Jan Lewis  
Matt Hogarth

Ralph Gustafson, brother-in-law of Gayle Strange  
Lyn Ambler, friend of Rebecca Padia

*A complete list of the ongoing prayer concerns is available in the Narthex.*

### **Update on Mother's Day Bags**

Through the generosity of our congregation, their friends, Hallmark of Corinth and Ulta Beauty of Denton, we were able to donate 30 gift bags to Giving HOPE, Inc. The Mother's Day Bags contained 18 items each of much needed necessities.

Thank you for your fantastic support in helping make this project extremely successful!

### **Do You Have CPR/AED Training?**

Recently a few St. Andrew members/staff took CPR/AED training as our previous 2 year training coverage period had expired. As we update our list of folk who have current training certification, it would be helpful if those of you possessing current AED/CPR certification from other sources, such as a part of your job requirements, would share your name, the expiration date of your certification, and the organization that provided that training. Please forward that information to Lou Korom at: [lou@saint-andrew.com](mailto:lou@saint-andrew.com) by June 1, 2017.

### **Our Daily Bread Needs**

Our Daily Bread is seeking items for the hygiene closet and kitchen. Please bring donations to the church office.

Bug Spray, Flip Flops, Sunscreen, Bottled Water, Deodorant, Kitchen Supplies (Cups, bowls, plastic spoons, disposable gloves), Mayo, Dressings (Ranch, Italian), Creamed Soups (Chicken, Mushroom)

### **May Give-a-Meal**

Spaghetti and Canned Sauce, Canned Peas, Canned Pears  
Optional: Cooking Oil, Baby Food

Please return your non-perishable donations for the Denton Community Food Center to the collection bin by the Coke machine near Fellowship Hall. Thank You!

### **Our Daily Bread Fundraiser**

Help Our Daily Bread raise funds by donating clothing and household items to Recycle 2 Support. Our Daily Bread will earn funds per pound of items donated. Items can be brought directly to the Recycle 2 Support Drop-off site at 1217 E. University Drive Monday-Saturday 8am-7pm and Sunday 10am-6pm. Acceptable items: all clothing, shoes, accessories, jewelry, kitchenware, books, toys, linens, towels, small appliances & electronics.

### **Volunteers for After Worship Refreshments Needed**

Do you enjoy conversing with friends over a cup of coffee with a treat in the Narthex after worship on Sundays? If so, please consider signing up to help one Sunday by hosting or providing refreshments. Contact Sara Armstrong at 940.453.7046 or [sarm1407@gmail.com](mailto:sarm1407@gmail.com) for available time slots. You may view the signup calendar online once you provide your email to Sara, or a printed copy is available in the Sacristy on the cabinets.

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# WELCOME!

**W**e proclaim that ALL people are created in the image of God and affirm that each person is a beloved child of God, worthy of God's love and grace. We welcome all, celebrating our differences while finding unity in Christ. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Join us in the Narthex following worship so that we can get acquainted.

The session, our governing body, will be in the parlor immediately following the 10:30am worship service to receive new members.

## Children's Chapel

During the worship service, children ages three years through kindergarten go to chapel immediately following the Children's Sermon.

## The Mystery of Pentecost Amy Ball

Godly Play seeks to tell the stories of the faith so that children hear and remember these stories and become engaged in them. It also provides a place and opportunities for children to begin exploring the purpose and meaning of worship. Parents may come upstairs to the Children's Chapel to pick children up following the worship service.

## Sunday School

### CHILDREN, 9:30-10:15am

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Nursery	Room 102
Preschool	Room 100
K-5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Media Room

### YOUTH, 9:30-10:15am

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element	The Den
High School	The Cave

### ADULTS, 9:30-10:15am

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Breakfast Club	Rafat Haddad	Room 206/208
Pastor's Class	Fred Cassell	Room 207/209
Pathfinders	Richard Sale	Room 205

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## THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

### TODAY

9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
12:00 p.m. Youth BBQ, Fellowship Hall

### Wednesday, May 24

5:30 p.m. Youth Group, Den

### Thursday, May 25

6:30 p.m. Presbyterian Social Club:  
Concert on the Square

### *By the Numbers: As of 5/12/17*

<b>Income</b> (pledges + other income)	\$302,734
<b>Expenses</b>	\$310,744
<b>Shortfall</b>	\$ (8,010)

<b>Attendance 5/14/17</b>	198
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