

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Thunder Bay

June 23rd, 2019

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

*indicates please stand if you are able

Bolded passages are to be spoken in unison by the congregation

Minister: Rev. Joyce Yanishewski

We Prepare for Worship

Prelude *Rhosymedre* Wilbur Held

Lighting of Christ Candle

Words of Welcome

We Worship God

Call to Worship

With the faithful, as well as the foolish;
with the voiceless, and those who talk too much:
we gather to praise our God.

With those who find it easy to follow,
with those who stumble along the Way:
**we rejoice in Jesus, who makes us whole,
and calls us sisters and brothers.**

With all who are heirs to the promises of grace,
with all who share hope with others:
**we give thanks to the Spirit of peace,
who cradles us in the arms of hope.**

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*Hymn *Bring many names* 310

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

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 heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen for God's Word

*Hymn *There's a spirit in the air* 764

Children's Time - Blessing of Prayer Shawls

Sharing a sign of peace

Peace be with you. **And also with you.**

Community Life Announcements

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading – Marilyn Garton

❖ **Psalm 25**

¹ To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

² **O my God, in you I trust;
do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.**

³ Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

⁴ Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths.

⁵ Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
**for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.**

⁶ Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

⁷ **Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O LORD!**

Refrain

*The Lord will come and not be slow,
God's foot-steps can not err.*

⁸ Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore the lord instructs sinners in the way.

⁹ **leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches them the way they should go.**

¹⁰ All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep God's covenant and decrees.

11 **For your name's sake, O LORD,
pardon my guilt, for it is great.**

Refrain

*The Lord will come and not be slow,
God's foot-steps can not err.*

12 Who are they that fear the LORD?

**You will teach them the way that they should
choose.**

13 **They will abide in prosperity,
and their children shall possess the land.**

14 The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear the
Lord,
who makes the covenant known to them.

15 **My eyes are ever toward the LORD,
who will pluck my feet out of the net.**

Refrain

16 Turn to me and be gracious to me,
for I am lonely and afflicted.

17 Relieve the troubles of my heart,
and bring me out of my distress.

18 Consider my affliction and my trouble,
and forgive all my sins.

19 Consider how many are my foes,
and with what violent hatred they hate me.

20 O guard my life, and deliver me;
**do not let me be put to shame, for I take refuge
in you.**

21 May integrity and uprightness preserve me,
for I wait for you.

22 **Redeem Israel, O God,
out of all its troubles.**

Refrain

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The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Message – Steadfast love and faithfulness

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn

Great is thy faithfulness

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Service of Admission to the Session

to be Ruling Elder in

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Thunder Bay

Fred Dewsberry, Marilyn Garton, Susan Heald

Nonie Marsh, Margo Rahmer, James Gerow,

Lynda McKeown

The people of the congregation shall stand.

There are varieties of gifts,

but the same Spirit;

There are varieties of services,

but the same Lord;

There are varieties of activities,

**but it is the same God who activates all of them in
everyone.**

To each one is given a gift by the Spirit,

to use it for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ,

and individually members of it.

Though we have different gifts, together we are called to
be the church

with a ministry in the world which is led by the risen Christ.

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 to judge the living and the dead.

**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**

Narration of Steps - John Mason

Preamble

Vows of Elders

Vows of the Congregation

1. Do you confess your faith in God as creator and ruler of the world, in Jesus Christ as your Saviour and Lord, and in the Holy Spirit as your inspiration and strength?

We do.

2. Do you receive Fred Dewsberry, Marilyn Garton, Susan Heald, Nonie Marsh, Margo Rahmer, James Gerow, and Lynda McKeown as elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead you in the way of Christ?

We do.

3. Do you agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions as they guide you, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is head of the church?

We do

May the Lord bless you and give you grace to keep these promises.

Prayer

God of Grace, who baptized us into a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ; who called us to be a priesthood of all believers; who entrusted to us the message of reconciliation; we pray for courage and discipline to follow where your elders rightly lead us, that together we may declare your mighty acts and show your love to the world; through Jesus Christ who is ruler of all. Amen.

Declaration

The Right Hand of Fellowship

***Hymn** *Christ, you call us all to service* **585**

Offering

**Organist's offering
of music** *Premier Sanctus
en Taille a 5* Nicolas
de Grigny

Doxology *Praise God from
whom all blessings flow* **830**

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

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Prayer of Dedication

Loving God, accept the gifts we offer you, today and every day, our time, our talents and our treasure. Put them to good use wherever they are needed, whatever the needs. We offer our gifts and our prayers in the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. Amen

Prayers of the People

We are Sent out as God's People

***Hymn** *On Eagle's Wings* **57**
(Sponsored by Fred & Sandra Dewsberry)

Benediction

Postlude *O Blessed Jesu* Johannes Brahms

