

**St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Thunder Bay
July 2nd, 2023**

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Bolded passages are to be spoken in unison by the congregation

Guest Worship Leader: Rev. Pamela Hogewoning

We Prepare for Worship

Prelude

Lighting of Christ Candle

Words of Welcome

We Worship God

Call to Worship

Let us sing of God's steadfast love.

We will offer our praise in songs of joy

God's faithfulness is as vast as the heavens.

We will proclaim God's faithfulness to all generations

Let us worship God in our prayers and our praise

We will give God glory now and always!

***Hymn**

Morning Has Broken

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1. Morning has broken like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken like the first bird;
praise for the singing, praise for the morning,
praise for them springing fresh from the Word.
2. Sweet the rain's newfall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass;
praise for the sweetness, praise for the morning,
sprung in completeness where his feet pass.
3. Mine is the sunlight; mine is the morning;
born of the one light Eden saw play;
praise with elation; praise every morning
God's recreation of the new day!

Prayer of Confession

Lord of all life and each life,

**We confess we can forget that life is your gift,
especially when we face struggles
or feel hard done by.**

**We confuse our own desires for your will,
and stop listening for your guidance.**

**Forgive any hurt we have caused by action or inaction,
and show us how to make amends.**

**May we live with you and with each other in reconciling grace
through the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen**

Assurance of Forgiveness

We Listen for God's Word

*Hymn

God Forgave My Sin

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1. God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,
I've been born again in Jesus' name,
and in Jesus' name I come to you
to share his love as he told me to.

Refrain

*He said, "Freely, freely, you have received;
freely, freely, give.*

*Go in my name and because you believe,
others will know that I live."*

2. All power is given in Jesus' name,
in earth and heaven in Jesus' name,
and in Jesus' name I come to you,
to share his power as he told me to.

Refrain

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Children's Time

Sharing a Sign of Peace

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

Community Life Announcements

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings

❖ Genesis 22.1-14

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' ²He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.' ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. ⁴On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, 'Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.' ⁶Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. ⁷Isaac said to his father Abraham, 'Father!' And he said, 'Here I am, my son.' He said, 'The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?' ⁸Abraham said, 'God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.' So the two of them walked on together.

⁹ When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' ¹²He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.' ¹³And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called that place 'The LORD will provide'; as it is said to this day, 'On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.'

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❖ Psalm 13

¹ How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever?

How long will you hide your face from me?

² How long must I bear pain in my soul,
and have sorrow in my heart all day long?

How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?

³ Consider and answer me, O LORD my God!

Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death,

⁴ **and my enemy will say, 'I have prevailed';
my foes will rejoice because I am shaken.**

⁵ But I trusted in your steadfast love;
my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

⁶ I will sing to the LORD,
for the Lord has dealt bountifully with me.

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❖ Matthew 10.40-42

'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴²and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'

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

Message The Boundaries of Trust

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn

All My Hope on God is Founded

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1. All my hopes on God is founded
who does still my trust renew;
through all change and chance God guides me,
only good and only true.
Love unknown, God's alone,
calls my heart to be God's own.
2. Human pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown, betray all trust;
what our care and toil establish,
tower and temple, fall to dust,
but God's power, hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.
3. God's great goodness reigns eternal,
deep in wisdom, passing thought;
light and life are all God's splendor
bringing beauty out of naught.
Evermore from God's store
newborn worlds rise and adore.
4. Daily does Almighty Giver
bounteous gifts on us bestow,
God's desire our soul delighting,
pleasure leading where we go.
Love will stand at God's hand;
joy will wait on God's command.
5. Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ, the Son.
Hear Christ call one and all:
you that follow shall not fall.

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Prayers of the People

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

Invitation to the offering

Doxology

All creatures of our God and King (v6)

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Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship God in humbleness:
sing praises, hallelujah!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three-in-One:
sing praises, sing praises, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

Words: based on Francis of Assisi's "Canticle of the Sun"

Prayer of Dedication

We are Sent out as God's People

*Hymn

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

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1. My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.*

2. When darkness hides his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
in every high and stormy gale
my anchor holds within the veil.

Refrain

3. His oath, his covenant, his blood
support me in the whelming flood;
when all around my soul gives way,
he then is all my hope and stay.

Refrain

4. When he shall come with trumpet sound,
oh, may I then in him be found
clothes in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne!

Refrain

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Benediction

Postlude

