

ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God. -Micah 6:8



Worship Bulletin

Sunday, February 8th, 2026

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship **Liturgists, The Rev. Jacqueline Decker Vanderpol and Erica Russell**
Leader: God of Moses, you appeared on the mountaintop with a voice of thunder.
People: **We open our hearts to hear your voice today.**
Leader: God of Elijah, you enveloped the mountain with the silence of your glory.
People: **We open our hearts to experience your glory today.**
Leader: Creator God, you came to Jesus on the mountain to strengthen and prepare him for his mission.
People: **We open our hearts to be strengthened by you today.**
Leader: We stand on the mountain, ready for you, O Lord.
People: **We know you are here today.**

Opening Prayer

Hymn #408 - *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

Prayer of Confession

God of yesterday, today, and forever,
We know what you are capable of doing. We speak and sing of who you are and what you've accomplished. Still, we fail to see the fullness of your majesty. We are confused by your plans, we fail to grasp your will, and sometimes we don't even recognize you. In this way, we fall short of the Glory of God. Forgive our unseeing hearts and restore our sight once again.

(Time for silent prayer and confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Passing the Peace

Leader: God makes peace within us.
People: **Let us claim it.**
Leader: God makes peace between us.

People: **Let us share it.**

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you!**

Please share signs of peace (ex. a wave, handshake, or high five) with each other.

A Word for God's Children

Erica Russell

Anthem

How Sweet the Sound?

St. Andrew Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture – Psalm 112

Praise the LORD!

Happy are those who fear the LORD,
who greatly delight in God's commandments.

Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches are in their houses,
and their righteousness endures forever.

They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;
they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.

It is well with those who deal generously and lend,
who conduct their affairs with justice.

For the righteous will never be moved;
they will be remembered forever.

They are not afraid of evil tidings;
their hearts are firm, secure in the LORD.

Their hearts are steady; they will not be afraid;
in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

They have distributed freely; they have given to the poor;
their righteousness endures forever;
their horn is exalted in honor.

The wicked see it and are angry;
they gnash their teeth and melt away;
the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.

Scripture – Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!” When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, “Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Zoe Laird, Guest Student Preacher

A Moment for Silent Reflection

Hymn #757 - *Today We Are Called to Be Disciples

***Affirmation of Faith (from the Confession of 1967)**

In Jesus Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself. We confess that Jesus Christ is God with us, the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. We believe that the risen Christ is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. This work of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is the foundation of all we say about God, ourselves, and the world.

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*Song of Dedication



Glo - ry be to our Cre - a - tor, Praise to our — Re - deem-er Lord,
Glo - ry be to our Sus - tain - er, Ev - er three- and ev - er one,
From the fruits that we are gi - ven, we re - turn these gifts to you.

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our loving God, who is in Heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your 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 Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen!

*Hymn #628 - *Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord*

Benediction

Postlude

*Stand as able

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In the liturgical calendar, green symbolizes growth, life, hope, and vitality. Green represents a time for the followers of Christ to mature in their faith, drawing from the promise of new life and the steady, hopeful unfolding of God's work.

St. Andrew At-A-Glance

- **February 8** - Youth Group
- **February 11** - Noon Prayer Service
- **February 12** - Serve Dinner to the Unhoused with Community Table
- **February 14** - Men's Pancake Breakfast
- **February 15** - Jazz Brunch - Hybrid Worship, Nursery, Adult Education, Sunday School, 20s and 30s Meetup at Rayback Collective
- **February 16** - Office Closed for Presidents' Day
- **February 17** - Session Meeting
- **February 18** - Noon Prayer Service, Ash Wednesday Drop-In Ashes and Prayer Stations
- **February 20-22** - Rest Fest Youth Retreat

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New Here?

As most people in Colorado are aware, aspen trees aren't individual trees but are connected underground by a complex root system. Given how many trees can be connected, these petite, beautiful trees can join together into mighty organisms. In fact, the largest organism in the world is a single Quaking Aspen in Utah. When we're at our best, the church functions in much the same way: we are connected, and we come together to be nourished, fed, and refreshed even though we live our lives in distinct places. We recognize that our life "above the soil" is only possible when we tend to our life "below the soil," and we realize that without the trunk and branches, the roots don't really serve much of a purpose. Our life of faith is most robust when we balance both dimensions: the interconnectedness that helps nourish our roots and the expression of faith that only comes through wide-reaching branches. That's the kind of worship and service we nurture.



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