# ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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



# Worship Bulletin

Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

#### Prelude

#### Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Adapted from Psalm 95)

**Liturgist, Cheryl Bradfute** 

Leader: Come, let us sing a joyful song to God,

let us shout in triumph to the rock of our salvation.

People: Let us enter God's presence with gratitude

and worship God with heartfelt joy.

Leader: The Lord is a great God,

greater than all else.

People: The depths of the earth are in God's care,

as are the highest mountains.

Leader: The sea belongs to God whose hands carved out the land.

People: Let us draw near to God in worship

and come before the Lord, our maker,

for we are the flock whom God tenderly shepherds.

# **Opening Prayer**

# **Prayer of Confession**

Providing God, evidence of your care for us and the world is all around us. In love, you spread good gifts before us. In every season, you generously provide for us. Your grace meets our deepest needs. But we confess that we often want more. Sometimes we resent what we lack and are jealous of those who have more. At times, we hoard what we have and squander our power to share with those who are hungry, cold, or in need. Lord, give us enough trust in your abundance to live securely in your love, so that we may share freely with others in open-handed confidence that your grace, like loaves and fishes, will never run out. May our hearts be stirred by your generosity and our spirits moved by your faithfulness.

(Time for silent prayer and confession)

<sup>\*</sup>Hymn #655 - What Shall I Render to the Lord

# **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

John Elvig

Anthem Give Thanks St. Andrew Choir arr. Smith/Larson

# **Prayer for Illumination**

# Scripture - Psalm 104:1-15

Bless the LORD, O my soul.

O LORD my God, you are very great.

You are clothed with honor and majesty, wrapped in light as with a garment.

You stretch out the heavens like a tent;

you set the beams of your chambers on the waters; you make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind;

you make the winds your messengers, fire and flame your ministers.
You set the earth on its foundations, so that it shall never be shaken.

You cover it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.

At your rebuke they flee; at the sound of your thunder they take to flight.

They rose up to the mountains, ran down to the valleys, to the place that you appointed for them.

You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might not again cover the earth. You make springs gush forth in the valleys; they flow between the hills,

giving drink to every wild animal; the wild donkeys quench their thirst.

By the streams the birds of the air have their habitation; they sing among the branches.

From your lofty abode you water the mountains; the earth is satisfied with the fruit of your work. You cause the grass to grow for the cattle and plants for people to cultivate, to bring forth food from the earth

and wine to gladden the human heart, oil to make the face shine and bread to strengthen the human heart.

# Scripture – John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to me and to you? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they

filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the person in charge of the banquet." So they took it. When the person in charge tasted the water that had become wine and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), that person called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee and revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

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

#### Sermon

The Rev. Jacqueline Decker Vanderpol

A Moment for Silent Reflection

\*Hymn #652 - A Grateful Heart

# \*Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God, the Giver of every good and perfect gift, who created the world in abundance and calls us to receive each day with gratitude.

We believe in Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life, who came so that we may have life, and have it abundantly.

In His healing, teaching, and breaking of bread, we learn that true richness is found in mercy, justice, and love freely shared.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who opens our eyes to grace already present, stirs gratitude in weary hearts, and sustains us when blessings feel scarce. We believe that thanksgiving is our calling not a moment but a way of living as we give thanks in all things, celebrate God's faithfulness, and offer ourselves in joyful service.

With grateful hearts, we affirm that God's abundance is for all, and we commit to walk in generosity, hope, and praise.

Amen.

# Offering our Gifts and Gratitude

To give electronically, please visit standrewboulder.org/giving

\*Song of Dedication #108 - Of the Father's Love Begotten (v. 6)

Christ, to thee with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost to thee,

Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving and unwearied praises be.

Honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory,

Evermore and evermore! Amen.

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!

**Benediction** 

Postlude \*Stand as able

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Dedication

<sup>\*</sup>Hymn #643 - Now Thank We All Our God

#### St. Andrew At-A-Glance

- November 23 Youth Group
- November 26-27 Office Closed for Thanksgiving Break
- November 29 HomeAhead Open Donation Hours
- **November 30** First Sunday of Advent Hybrid Worship, Nursery, Choir Rehearsal, Adult Education, Sunday School, Youth Group
- December 3 Noon Prayer Service
- **December 4** Women's Crafts and Conversation
- **December 6** HomeAhead Open Donation Hours
- **December 7** Second Sunday of Advent Hybrid Worship, Communion, Nursery, Choir Rehearsal, Adult Education, Sunday School, Youth Group

## **Worship Leaders**

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ALL KIDS, YOUTH, AND PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE!

# Advent Workshop

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14TH @ 11:30AM

Join us for a Chipotle taco/burrito bar and all-ages Advent workshop to celebrate the season! Enjoy lunch, decorating Christmas packages for our home-bound members, crafting ornaments, creating your own reusable Advent calendar, and more!

