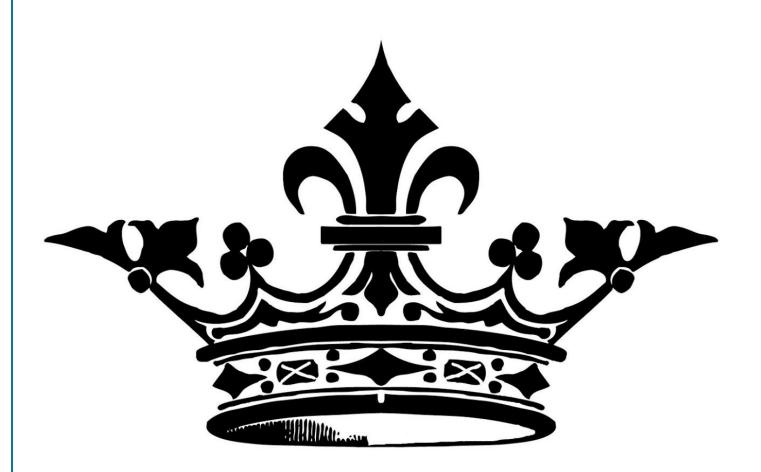
Sunday, August 24, 2025 11th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 AM Worship



Welcome to Worship!
As we prepare for worship, please silence your mobile devices.
We invite you to a time of silence and focus.

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP:** It is our joy to welcome you to worship today, in-person and from wherever you may be viewing. We give thanks for whatever brought you, and pray that you may experience the love of God surrounding you and upholding you as we gather together to give thanks to God through Word and Sacrament.

**ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES** are available to use in the Sanctuary for worship. They are located in the Sound Booth; ask the Sound Booth operator if you would like to use one.

**WORSHIP IS LIVESTREAMED** in the Faith and Family Center (located near the entrance doors to the large parking lot). Anyone is welcome to worship in that space.

**WE WELCOME CHILDREN IN WORSHIP!** Like Jesus who welcomed children to his ministry, Saint Andrew's welcomes children to our worship services. Re-usable activity bags (for readers and non-readers) with books, stickers, crayons, paper, and a snack are available from the usher/hospitality team; please return the bags following worship.

"Younger Disciples Tips" are in the bulletin with ideas to engage children in worship. "A Time for Younger Disciples" during worship invites all God's children to listen to a message.

Health Practices in place to help reduce the spread of viruses and illness:

- Mask wearing is optional. Anyone who wishes to mask is welcome to do so.
- Hand sanitizer is available throughout the building.

For other activities, events, meetings check our website: <a href="https://SALC.church">https://SALC.church</a>

### VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING IN PROGRESS

Saint Andrews livestreams and records its worship services to YouTube.

Video and Audio recording is currently in progress. It is possible that video footage and/or audio conversations of worshippers in the Saint Andrew's Sanctuary may appear on the YouTube livestream/recording.

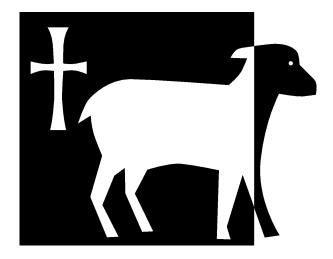
## **GATHERING**

**PRELUDE** 

"Sonata in E<sup>b</sup> Major – II. Siciliana" Lesley Bain, Oboe; Elaine Koga, Piano

Bach

**WELCOME** Pastor Lara



Please stand as you are able.

### OPENING HYMN Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



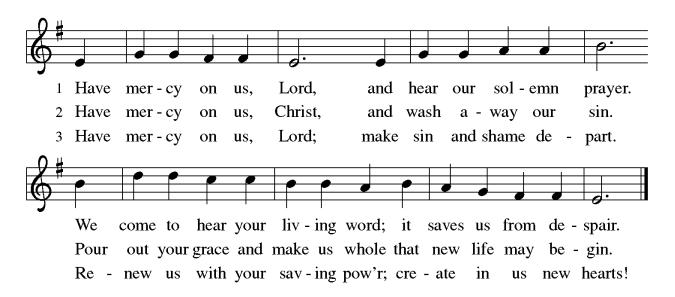
### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the ⅓ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

### Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

### **KYRIE**



Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us, heal us and show us the path of life. **Amen.** 

Beloveds, you belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. Amen.

# GREETING

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you**.

### CANTICLE OF PRAISE



- 1 Come, let us join our cheer-ful songs with an-gels round the throne;
- 2 "Wor thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be ex alt ed thus!"
- 3 Je sus is wor thy to re-ceive hon or and pow'r di vine;
- 4 Let all cre a tion join in one to bless the sa cred name



ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one. "Wor - thy the Lamb," our lips re - ply, "for he was slain for us!" and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine. of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Holy God,

mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot stand upright on our own. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when the noise of the world overwhelms us, we may always rise to worship your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

#### A TIME FOR YOUNGER DISCIPLES

Pastor Lara

### **WORD**

The purpose of the image of the beast and the dragon in Revelation is to deceive people. To counter this deception, the writer calls God's people to have endurance and faith – to turn toward the true source of their worship.

### **READING: REVELATION 13:1-18**

And I saw a beast rising out of the sea, with ten horns and seven heads, and on its horns were ten diadems, and on its heads were blasphemous names. And the beast that I saw was like a leopard, its feet were like a bear's, and its mouth was like a lion's mouth. And the dragon gave it his power and his throne and great authority. One of its heads seemed to have received a death blow, but its fatal wound had been healed. In amazement the whole earth followed the beast. They worshiped the dragon, for he had given his authority to the beast, and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who can fight against it?"

The beast was given a mouth speaking arrogant and blasphemous words, and it was allowed to exercise authority for forty-two months. It opened its mouth to speak blasphemies against God, blaspheming his name and his dwelling, that is, those who dwell in heaven. Also, it was allowed to wage war on the saints and to conquer them.

It was given authority over every tribe and people and language and nation, and all the inhabitants of the earth will worship it, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb that was slaughtered.

Let anyone who has an ear listen:

If you are to be taken captive,
 into captivity you go;

if you kill with the sword,
 with the sword you must be killed.

Here is a call for the endurance and faith of the saints.

Then I saw another beast that rose out of the earth; it had two horns like a lamb, and it spoke like a dragon. It exercises all the authority of the first beast on its behalf, and it makes the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast, whose fatal wound had been healed. It performs great signs, even making fire come down from heaven to earth in the sight of all, and by the signs that it is allowed to perform on behalf of the beast it deceives the inhabitants of earth, telling them to make an image for the beast that had been wounded by the sword and yet lived, and it was allowed to give breath to the image of the beast so that the image of the beast could even speak and cause those who would not worship the image of the beast to be killed. Also, it causes all, both small and great, both rich and poor, both free and slave, to be given a brand on the right hand or the forehead, so that no one can buy or sell who does not have the brand, that is, the name of the beast or the number for its name. This calls for wisdom: let anyone with understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number for a person. Its number is six hundred sixty-six.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.** 

Please stand as you are able.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**





Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



### **GOSPEL: JOHN 12:27-32**

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said ] "Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say: 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

**SERMON** Pastor Lara

Please stand as you are able.

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

## Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence



- 1 Let all mor tal flesh keep si lence, and with fear and trem bling stand;
- 2 King of kings, yet born of Mar-y, as of old on earth he stood,
- 3 Rank on rank the host of heav-en spreads its van-guard on the way;
- 4 At his feet the six winged ser aph, cher u bim with sleep less eye,



pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand the bod - y and Lord of lords in hu - man the blood, ves - ture, in the realms of end - less day, the Light of light, de - scend-ing from with cease-less voice they cry: veil their fac - es to the pres-ence, as



Christ our God to earth de-scend - ing comes full hom-age to de - mand. he will give to all the faith - ful his own self for heav'n-ly food. comes, the pow'rs of hell to van - quish, as the dark-ness clears a - way. "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

### **Apostles' Creed**

Trusting in God's baptismal promises, we affirm our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the power of 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.

#### THE PRAYERS

After each petition, the leader will say, "Hear us, O God". Your response is, your mercy is great.

#### THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please greet people around you as you are comfortable.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Lara

<sup>\*</sup> here, "catholic" means the wholeness of the church in all times and places.

### **OFFERING**

Our ushers will be passing offering plates. We welcome your gifts to support the mission and ministry of Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church. There are envelopes in the pews, or you can give online using the QR code.



Bach

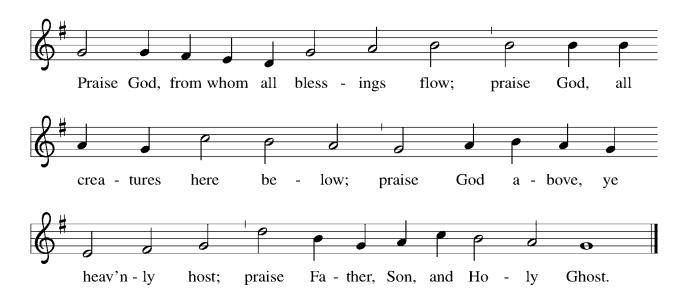
**OFFERTORY MUSIC** 

"Sonata in E<sup>b</sup> Major – I. Allegro moderato" Lesley Bain, Oboe; Elaine Koga, Piano

Please stand as you are able.

### **OFFERTORY VERSE**

### Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Creator God,

in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

### **MEAL**

### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

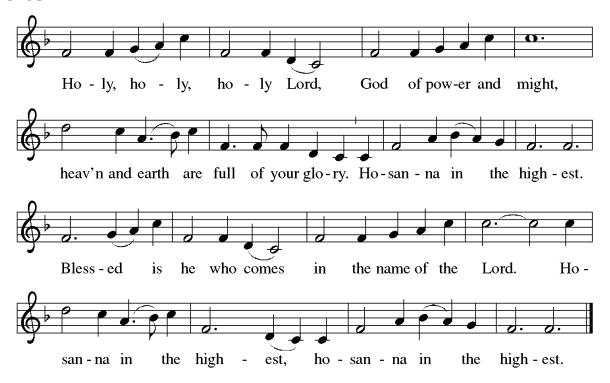
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who \*on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

\* We say "on this day" because we celebrate Easter every Sunday.

### **SANCTUS**



### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, blessed and broke it and shared it with his friends, saying, "Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After they had eaten, Jesus took the cup, blessed it, and shared it with his friends, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood which is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

We pray together the prayer Jesus taught us:

### THE 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.

Please be seated.

We wait silently as the participants who are worshiping online are communed.



### LAMB OF GOD



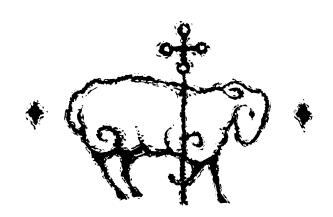
### **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

Today, Communion is received continuously at two stations.

Please follow the directions of the ushers and use the hand sanitizer provided.

Bread is placed in the hands. Red wine and White grape juice are offered by individual cup. Please ask if you would like a gluten-free option.

If you wish to be communed in your seat, please let one of the ushers/hospitality team know.



### **COMMUNION MUSIC**

### Jesus Loves Me!



Please stand as you are able.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together. Nurturing God,

you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

### **SENDING**

### **FAREWELL AND GODSPEED**

Younger Disciples Tip ~ Blessing: Mark the sign of the cross on your child's forehead as a reminder of this sending blessing.

### **BLESSING**

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace. Amen.



### **SENDING HYMN**

### Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



#### **SENDING**

All children and youth are invited to come forward to participate in the sending.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

**POSTLUDE** 

"Now Thank We All Our God" Elaine Koga, Piano arr. Walley

The flowers today are given by Dianne Chong and David Squiers in celebration of their 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

### Thank you to all who are assisting in worship today:

Pastor Lara Forbes, Preaching and Presiding Minister Dr. Will Simpson, Director of Music Elaine Koga, Accompanist Amy Baro, Assisting Minister Scott Lester, Lector Zoe Elien, Acolyte Stephanie Lester and Soren Lester, Ushers JoAn Eklof and Teresa Lutterman, Altar Guild Kurt Lutterman, Livestream Video Peter Cornwell, Audio Iva and Myril Schultz, Coffee hosts

### Readings for August 31:

Revelation 21:1-6; 22:1-5 John 4:1-14

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Join us for root beer floats right after the 10 a.m. worship service next Sunday, August 31.

We'll be scooping vanilla ice cream into glasses and you get to add as little or as much root beer as you'd like.

Meet in the Fellowship Hall for this tasty treat. **Volunteers needed** to help with this sweet fellowship activity. Let Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland know if you can help via phone at 425-746-2529 or sherry@salc.church.

We are putting together teams of volunteers to be at the Crossroads QFC, Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm to collect nonperishable food items from shoppers. All food collected will go to the Hopelink Food Bank. The



job consists of handing out a "shopping list" flyer and thanking people for their donations. For more information, contact Debbie Szabo at <a href="mailto:debbieszabo@comcast.net">debbieszabo@comcast.net</a> (206) 972-2675 or Dick Szabo (206) 390-7621.

SAVE THE DATE!! Join us for Lutherfest at 4p.m. October 5 in the Saint Andrew's Fellowship Hall. German-style food (bratwurst and good stuff), music (German folk music), a raffle and auction, appropriate liquid refreshment, a little history of Octoberfest and our special guest, Martin Luther. Can you procure some raffle/auction items?? Procurement forms are in the Narthex (on the wall by the stairs).



Youth and adults are welcome to join on this trip to Ensenada, Mexico, June 26-July 2, as we partner with the Friends of Lantern Hill. Our first informational meeting will be on Tuesday, September 2, at 6:30pm via Zoom, information will be in Trendings or contact Doug for link. We will be joined the Executive Director from Lantern Hill, Abby Williams. If you have any questions you can contact Doug Johnson or Shana Nielsen, dawgsnroses@hotmail.com.



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# REVELATION

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#### Calendar for the Week

Sunday, August 24

9:00 AM Coffee and Conversation

10:00 AM Worship 11:15 AM Knit Wits

Monday, August 15

1:00 PM Staff Meeting

Tuesday, August 26

8:30 AM Tuesday Morning Men 10:00 AM Summer Project Day

1:30 PM Constitution Task Force Meeting

Wednesday, August 27

1:00 PM Congregation Care Team Meeting

2:00 PM Signe Wraith Memorial

Thursday, August 28

Friday, August 29

Office is closed.

Saturday, August 30

Sunday, August 31

9:00 AM Coffee and Conversation

10:00 AM Worship

11:15 AM Root Beer Float Sunday!

Monday, September 1

Labor Day – office is closed

Tuesday, September 2

8:30 AM Tuesday Morning Men

1:00 PM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, September 3

Thursday, September 4

Friday, September 5

Office is closed.

Saturday, September 6

10:00 AM- 4:00 PM God's Work, Our Hands

Crossroads OFC

Sunday, September 7

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9:00 AM Coffee and Conversation

10:00 AM Worship

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