ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Perkasie, Pennsylvania

Rev. Barbara Pence

Phone (215) 257-2880 9:00 am Faith Formation Website: www.standrewsucc.org

10:15 am Worship Service

September 14, 2025

Liturgist: Ron Grace

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE GREETING

If able, please rise in body or in spirit

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, beloved of God, for the One who searches and saves is near.

We come to be found, for we have wandered and grown weary.

Rejoice with me, says the Lord, for what is lost is now found.

Let us worship God, who never stops seeking us, loving us, rejoicing over us.

Hymn #320 Alleluia, Sing to Jesus!

Please be seated

CALL TO CONFESSION

In penitence and faith, let us confess our sin to the One who waits to pour out mercy upon us.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Most Patient God, we recognize how much we need you for life itself. But how often have we behaved as if we did not know or even care about you? How often have we become the ones who do not carry out justice? How often have we tried to dominate others, even as you stand with them? How often have we participated in the desolation of your creation by our treatment of the heavens, the earth, and its waters? Forgive us for these times when we have lost our way. All Loving God, we want to be among those whom you seek. Shower your mercy upon us. Find us and lead us safely home to faithfulness. Amen

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

My friends, when we are lost, all is not lost.

God is seeking us, ready to turn our lives around, gathering us in to the people of God. Let us rejoice in God's mercy! Amen.

Senior Choir Anthem

Be Strong in the Lord

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, may your Word find us and show us the truth of your love that gives life. By the power of your Spirit, may we rejoice with you over all who are found. Amen.

Scripture: Luke 15:1-10 The word of the Lord.

Blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SERMON

If able, please rise in body or in spirit.

Hymn #440 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Please be seated

Koinonia Time (community; communion; fellowship; intimacy)
(Please date, sign, and pass the pew pad to your neighbors)

Sharing Joys and Concerns Prayers of Intercession

Lord's Prayer

Our Creator/Mother/Father/Spirit, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy 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 thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

As a shepherd searches for lost sheep, as a woman searches for a lost coin, God seeks us out to save us. With gratitude and joy, let us offer our lives to the Lord.

OFFERTORY

If able, please rise in body or in spirit

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, you heavenly host.

Praise Creator, Christ and Spirit, One. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We rejoice and give you thanks, O God, for the lost have been found, sinners have received mercy, and the dead have been restored to life. Send us out in your service to tend your sheep and share the riches of your grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INVITATION

COMMUNION PRAYER

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, from the beginning you have searched for your people...And so, with all who are found and with all still wandering, with the saints and angels, we lift our voices in praise.

Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God Most High.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Come now for all things are ready.

SHARING THE ELEMENTS

(If you are unable to come forward for communion, please let an usher know and the pastor will bring communion to you.)

Please rise in body or in spirit.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Gracious God, we give you thanks for this meal of grace. We thank you for finding us and welcoming us with joy and celebration. Send us forth with hearts open wide, to seek, to welcome, and to rejoice, until all are gathered at your table. Through Christ, we pray. Amen.

Hymn #48 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

BENEDICTION

May the God of love, the immortal and invisible one, go with you, this day and every day. Amen.

Please be seated

Postlude

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Head Ushers for September are Erin Rush and Doris Lindmeier Ushers today are Jim & Amy Smith

Altar Guild for the month of September are Karen Gossard, Lois-Ann Barndt & Barb Kieffer Communion Servers this morning are Lance Ide and Tara Howell

Pastor Barb's contact information: Email - pastorbarb90@gmail.com; Cell 267-374-5692

Consistory 2025

Elders: Ron Grace, Doris Lindmeier, Lee Metzger (President), Karen Peterson

Deacons: Robert Creager, Cindy Grace, Tara Howell, Lance Ide, Erin Rush,

Herb Volk (Vice President)

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ASCENSION

320 Alleluia, Sing to Jesus!



WORDS: William C. Dix (1837-1898), alt.

HYFRYDOL 8.7.8.7.D.

MUSIC: Rowland H. Prichard (1811-1887); arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

TRUST & ASSURANCE

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us 440



WORDS: Attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp (1779-1847); Hymns for the Young, 1836 MUSIC: William B. Bradbury (1816-1868)

BRADBURY 8.7.8.7.D. GOD OF MAJESTY & POWER

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 48





RUMMAGE SALE: October 18th – Fall Clean-up! Bring your items to the church. For more details see Angela Stofflet (stoffletangela@gmail.com or 610-202-4680). Please leave your donations in fellowship hall. There will be a bake sale that day so if anyone is able to donate baked goods let Angela know. Thank you!

This is a list of items we will be UNABLE to accept for donation:

- 1. Automotive Supplies
 - a. Vehicle Roof Top Carriers
 - b. Tires
 - c. Wheels
- 2. Baby Items
 - a. Car seats
 - b. Cribs
 - c. Equipment over 10 years old
- 3. Bedding
 - a. Box Springs/Bed Springs
 - b. Electric Blankets
 - c. Hospital & Electric Beds
 - d. Water Beds
- 4. Building Supplies
 - a. Built in Cabinets
 - b. Doors
 - c. Sinks
 - d. Windows
- Computer/Office Equipment
 - a. CRT Monitors
 - b. Computers
 - c. Copiers
 - d. Fax Machines
 - e. Keyboards/Mouse
 - f. Printers
 - g. Scanners
- 6. Major Appliances

- 7. Electrical
 - a. Ceiling Fans
 - b. Foot Spas
 - c. TVs: Older than 5yo, Larger than 32*
 - d. Projection TVs
- 8. Household Items
 - a. Exercise Equipment older than 5yo
 - b. Food
 - c. Helmets: Bike & Equestrian
 - d. Kerosene Heaters
 - e. Wire hangers
- 9. Furniture
 - a. "Bean Bag" Chairs
 - b. Entertainment Centers
 - c. Pianos and Organs
 - d. Wood TV and Stereo Console Units
- 10. Medical Equipment
 - a. CPAP Machines
 - b. Nebulizers
- Outdoor Equipment
 a. Camping Tents & Canopies
 - b. Gasoline, Propane Powered Equipment
 - c. Grills
 - d. Paint and Oil
 - e. Skis, Ski Boots & Poles
- 12. Refrigeration Misc.
 - a. Air Conditioners
 - b. Dehumidifiers

DRIVE-THRU A PET A FOOD DRIVE



Please help support the efforts of St. Andrew's UCC in Perkasie to support Pennridge FISH by collecting pet (dog, cat, gerbil, etc.) food. St. Andrew's volunteers will be on-site to unload items from your car. Will also be accepting regular FISH items.

DROP-OFF LOCATION



St. Andrew's UCC

615 E Walnut St, Perkasie PA 18944

ITEMS NEEDED

- ➤ Canned and dry cat or dog food
- ► Food for other household
- Other regular FISH items

For More Information: 267-614-1453 (Kelly Finno)

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