

Announcements

✦ There are sign-ups in the Sanctuary for volunteers: Children's Church, worship leader, refreshments, etc. Please take some time to see where you can pitch in and help.

✦ Laurie and Ed Palmer will be out of town from Friday, August 18 through Sunday, August 27. Next week, Ruling Elder Paula Salter will preach and Rev. Dr. Heather Hartsell will preside the Communion Table. Heather will preach on August 27. Please contact the church office with any emergency, or any of the currently serving Ruling Elders listed on the back of the bulletin.

✦ Thank you, Dieph, for sharing your journey with us last week. Some have asked how you might support him. If anyone interested in supporting him financially, you may write a check payable to him, Dieph Domingue, place it in an envelope labeled "Attention: Hank Belusa." You may place it in the collection plate or leave it in the church office. Thank you.

✦ Please use this email for Laurie Palmer:
laurie_palmer@ymail.com

✦ Tuesday, September 12, Bible Study for 8 weeks, 7:00pm:
The Battle Plan for Prayer

Catherine and Jack Reed will co-lead this class. Authored by brothers and pastors Stephen and Alex Kendrick. Encouragement to pray more for each other, our church, ourselves and our families.

*Celebration Fund Celebrates
August*

☛ Jeannie Weaver's Birthday
Celebration Fund Total.....\$8,452.00

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RULING ELDERS

Class of 2018:	Gary Stenzel Kim Van Trees
Class of 2019:	Barbara Beall John Bodie Frank Boka
Class of 2020:	Paula Salter Larry Wheeler Phyllis Keith
Clerk of Session:	Kay Reinhold

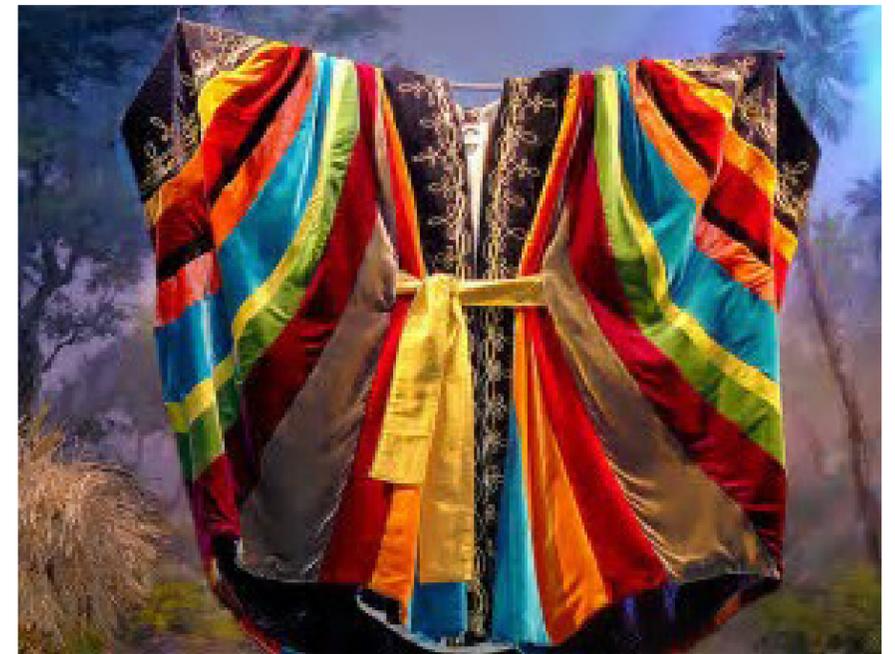


St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Glorify God. Enjoy God. Live Christ's Love



**10th Sunday after Pentecost
August 13, 2017**



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GOD HAS CALLED US TO WORSHIP

Welcome and Announcements

🕒 **Gathering Song "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"**

Hymnal #281

🕒 **Call to Worship**

The invitation is given to every person by Jesus Christ:

**"Come to Me, You who are weary and carry heavy burdens!
Follow Me! Be My disciples!"**

We come to this place, to this time, because Jesus has asked us.

In the name of Christ, we accept His invitation to worship.

In the midst of a world where cruelty abounds, we proclaim that God reigns.

**In the midst of despair that threatens to swallow up whole lives,
whole peoples, we proclaim that God is hope.**

In the midst of indifference and apathy, we proclaim that God is love.

**We worship together and share our witness of God's living
presence in the world.**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

🕒 **Glory**

WE PREPARE TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Call to Confession

Confession of Sin

**Holy God, we confess that we do not always understand Your
ways. We are easily discouraged when life takes unexpected
turns and our carefully laid plans and dreams come to nothing.**

**We confess that we are quick to give up when things get difficult,
and quick to question Your presence and Your power.**

Forgive us.

~Silence for personal confession~

Give us patience to wait for Your good timing.

Open our eyes to recognize Your leading in our lives—

to listen for Your gentle whisper when we least expect it.

And then give us courage to step out in faith and obedience,

trusting in Your leading even when we cannot yet see the outcome.

We praise You for Your faithful love,

and pray that You would make us worthy to bear Your name.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Response

"You Are Mine"

Sing the Faith# 2218

THE WORD OF GOD

Time with Young Disciples

Scripture Lesson

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-14, 18-24

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report about them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than everyone else, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. (Joseph told his brothers that he had dreams; dreams where they bowed down before him. His brothers despised him for it.)

Joseph's brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." "Here I am."

"Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me."

Joseph's brothers saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let's kill him and throw him into one of the pits; we'll say that a wild animal devoured him, and we'll see what becomes of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let's not take his life. Shed no blood; throw him into

this pit in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" —that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father.

So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." His brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, his brothers drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Sermon

Rev. Laurie Palmer

"You meant it for harm, but God meant it for good"

Genesis 50:20

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, 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.

Call to Offering

We Give our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

🕒 **Doxology**

🕒 **Prayer of Dedication**

🕒 **Sending Forth "Here I Am, Lord"**

Hymnal #525

🕒 **Benediction**

🕒 **Postlude**