

Announcements

✦ Please delete Laurie's church email and use the following one: laurie_palmer@ymail.com. Thank you

✦ We need you! We need you to sign up to volunteer for Children's Church, and for all the opportunities on the white board, especially worship leaders.

✦ The Church Office is closed tomorrow in observance of Labor Day.

✦ Trinity Cafe: Tuesday, September 5th and Thursday, September 21st.

✦ Mission and Outreach Committee: Tuesday, September 5th at 6:00pm. Please note the time difference.

✦ Sew in Faith resumes on Saturday, September 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the small activities building. Rules: there are none. You don't have to know how to sew. You don't have to be female. Come enjoy some time together as we create.

✦ After Sew in Faith on Saturday, September 9, the choir will have its annual music kickoff at 1:00 p.m., also in the small activities building. Bring a potluck lunch dish to share and we'll get ourselves organized for the new year, and celebrate a great season ahead! We're always on the "hear-out" for new voices, so if you have an interest, do come.

✦ Adult Sunday School resumes at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary on September 10. Books are available on the table under the white board calendars. This year marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. What's that about? Let's learn together.

✦ Hospitality Committee: Will have a brief meeting following the church service on September 10th.

✦ Session meeting, Monday, September 11, at 6:30 p.m.

✦ Tuesday night class on prayer begins on September 12 at 7:00 p.m. Our faithful "visitors" (adopted family), Jack and Catherine Reed will lead. There is a sign-up on the table under the white board calendars.

✦ Presbyterian Women of St. Andrew will have their Potluck/Bible Study on Wednesday, September 13 at 6:30pm. All women of the church and guests are invited.

✦ AMEN, the men of St. Andrew, September 28, 7pm. More information to follow.

✦ Support the Troops: September 16th, 8:30-11:30am, Wesley Chapel.

✦ Two events in the making:

Children, youth, and their parents: Lunch and brief activity on Sunday, September 24, right after worship in the small activities building. You only need to bring yourselves. Stay tuned.

All Church Work Morning, Saturday, September 30. Laurie is trying to organize a time when all three congregations who worship here can meet for prayer, to work on the building—to clean and organize and inventory—then enjoy a potluck lunch together. Again, stay tuned.

✦ Laurie will attend a Stewardship Conference in St. Pete on 9/25-27, sponsored by the Presbyterian Foundation.

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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



13th Sunday after Pentecost
September 3, 2017



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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Welcome and Announcements

🕒 **Gathering Song** "God of Grace and God of Glory" PH 420
(verses 1,4,5)

🕒 **Call to Worship**, *Psalm 93:1-2* Rev. Dr. Heather Hartsell

The Lord is King, God is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed, God is strong.

The Creator established the world; it shall never be moved;

Your creation was established in the beginning, and You were before that; You, O God, are from everlasting to everlasting.

The floods have lifted up, O Lord,
the floods have lifted up their voice;
the floods lift up their roaring.

**More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters,
more majestic than the waves of the sea, is the majesty of the Lord.**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please share the peace of Christ with each other this morning.

🕒 **Sharing the Peace of Christ**

🕒 **Glory**

WE PREPARE TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Call to Confession, *from Jonah 2* Rev. Dr. Heather Hartsell

"I called to the Lord out of my distress, and God answered me; out of the belly of Sheol I cried, and You heard my voice. You cast me into the deep, into the heart of the seas, and the flood surrounded me; all Your waves and Your billows passed over me. Then I said, 'I am driven away from your sight;

The waters closed in over me; the deep surrounded me...."

Trusting in God to hear our prayer, let us confess our sin together now:

Confession of Sin

Rev. Dr. Heather Hartsell

Holy God, You call us, entrusting us to be Your people where we are. We don't wait for Your promised Kingdom--it's already here. Yet, we balk. We have really good excuses why we put You off, You who are in search of love, mercy, justice, grace, and help for Your beloved children. Forgive us, once again, and hear our private confessions.

~Silence for private confession of sin~

You are ever-near to us, especially in our brokenness. You don't give up on us, and there is not enough thanksgiving to give to You. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon, *Isaiah 43:1-3* Rev. Dr. Heather Hartsell

But now thus says the Lord,

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are Mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the Lord your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Savior."

Friends, believe this: In Jesus Christ, our sin is forgiven. Amen.

Response "The Servant Song" *Sing the Faith 2222*

Time for Young Disciples and Offering

We give our tithes and offerings

Five-cents-a-meal offering for Beth El Farmworker Ministry Food Bank

Offertory

🕒 **Doxology**

🕒 **Prayer of Dedication**

Rev. Laurie Palmer

THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson, *Matthew 27:24-27* Rev. Laurie Palmer

Jesus said, "Everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. And everyone who hears these words of Mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!"

Sermon "Rain, rain, go away" *Rev. Laurie Palmer*

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rev. Laurie Palmer and Rev. Dr. Heather Hartsell

The Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and Prayers of the People

The Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Please come forward by the middle aisle and return to your seats by the outside aisles. Take a piece of bread and dip in the cup.

Communion Song "We Remember You"

Prayer after Communion

WE GO TO SERVE GOD

🕒 **Sending Song** "Take Up Your Cross the Savior Said" PH 393

🕒 **Benediction**

🕒 **Postlude**