

## A NOTE ABOUT WORSHIP

Recently our pastoral and church leadership have chosen to remain at one service at 10:00 am through the end of the calendar year, resuming our two services in January. Combining the services into one for the summer has been a great way to bring everyone together; it has brought energy and enthusiasm and fuller pews to the sanctuary; and it has allowed us to worship with our church family in a unified manner. Visit [hhiumc.com/hilton-head](http://hhiumc.com/hilton-head) to view the video announcement made to the congregation on August 20, and to read Pastor Jonathan's more detailed message.

## EPWORTH WORKDAY SPECIAL OFFERING

Epworth Children's Home provides food and shelter for children who have experienced a rough start in life. It also provides children with tutoring, counseling, health care, recreation, and the spiritual formation they need to heal and gain a sense of belonging. On Sunday, September 10 our congregation will stand with Epworth to break the cycle of abuse, neglect, and shame through our collection of the Annual Epworth Work Day Offering. We invite you to give generously to the children who are served by Epworth.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY IN SEPTEMBER

Children grade 4 and above are encouraged to stay in worship with their families. We'll grow in our faith as we worship God together. Please let all of our children and youth know that you are happy to have them present as part of our family of faith.

Sunday School for kids will begin on Sept. 17 at 9:15-9:45 am in the Education Building. Bible stories, activities, crafts, and church donuts will be offered.

Children's Chapel on Sunday mornings starts on Sept. 10. Children (grade 3 and under) are invited to go to Children's Chapel during Pastor Jonathan's sermon time. A team of 4-6 volunteers (serving once a month) is needed. If you are interested, contact Connie at [conniebhhiumc@gmail.com](mailto:conniebhhiumc@gmail.com).

### OUR PURPOSE

To grow a welcoming community where people of all ages and stages on their faith journey can come to experience the love, grace and compassion of Jesus Christ. Provide various worship and other spiritual growth opportunities communicating the Gospel to inspire and encourage a deeper understanding of God while developing relationships with each other, leading to service locally and beyond.

*St. Andrew By-The-Sea is an open, nurturing body of Christian believers seeking God's guidance as we minister to others.*

### ST. ANDREW IS A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

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## **The Work of the People for August 27, 2023**

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The liturgical color is red, symbolizing the fire of the Holy Spirit

## GATHERING FOR PRAISE

**PRELUDE** *O, How I Love Jesus* arr. L. Shackley

### **RINGING OF THE TRINITY CHIMES**

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Written by David Inglis*

God whispers to each of us: you are my beloved, created in love for love.

**My spirit answers, here I am, Lord. Speak to me anew.**

God breathes on us the Holy Spirit, knitting many members into one body, the body of Christ.

**Together we answer, here we are, Lord.**

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Then let us gather, old and young, small and great, to dream God's dreams, receive God's power, and do God's deeds.

**Here we are Lord. Shine the light of your love on us.**

**Kindle your Spirit within us. Work your redeeming will in us, that all the world may be one through the power of your love. Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE - #474** PRECIOUS LORD

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

### **\*WELCOME AND TIME OF GREETING**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MISSIONS MOMENT** - Backpack Buddies Joe Kerr

**MORNING PRAYER** Sarah Coffin

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**ANTHEM** *This Little Light of Mine* arr. J. Dempsey  
Seaside Youth Choir Seaside Chancel Choir

**CHILDREN'S DISCIPLESHIP MOMENT** Pam Denlinger

**\*FAVORITE HYMN - #593** HERE I AM LORD

*Here I Am, Lord*

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

### **\*SCRIPTURE READING**

1 Samuel 3:1-11, West Wilkins and Sarah Coffin

2 Timothy 1:3-7, Connie Borgianini

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION**

B. Maxwell

*Light the Fire*

**SERMON**

Rev. Jonathan Tompkins

*The Church of the NOW*

“Wise Guides and Seasoned Mentors”

**RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Rosa Ti Olivetti

**OFFERTORY**

*Offertory in G*

W. A. Mozart

**\*DOXOLOGY - #94**

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*We acknowledge with gratitude all who give in-person and online*

**GOING FORTH TO SERVE GOD’S WORLD**

**An Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Disciple of Jesus Christ as part of this congregation, please see one of the pastors after the service today. They would love to point you to some discipleship opportunities and ways to serve Christ here at St. Andrew.

**\*PRAYER QUILT DEDICATION**

**\*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #605**

BEACH SPRING

*Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters*

**\*SENDING FORTH**

*(from Numbers 6:24-26, also known as the UMYF Blessing)*

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord make his face to shine upon you,  
and be gracious unto you.

May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,  
and give you peace. Amen.

**\*GO IN PEACE**

Go in peace and the peace of God be with you this day

Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always

Celebrate and share the joy Celebrate new life

Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Praise to God the Father*

arr. Rutter

*\*Please stand as you are able*

Acolytes today: Tripp and Kaitlyn Nicol

*The sanctuary flowers today are given by*

*Jim and Mary Jane Reeves to the glory of God*

*and in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary*

**ILL OR CONVALESCING**

Caroline Van Schelven, Claire Wheeler, Sally Hrdlicka, Luis Solis, Kendall Brodie, Ben Klahr, Will Jobbins, Jane Giddings

**OUR PASTORS WANT TO VISIT YOU**

St. Andrew's pastoral staff desires to call on anyone who is ill, home-bound, would like a visit, or to receive communion. If you would like to make an appointment, call the church at 843.785.4711.

**PRAYER QUILT DEDICATION**

The Prayer Quilt dedicated today is for Susan Griffin who is currently undergoing chemotherapy following cancer surgery. We ask that prayers so generously offered will be an ongoing source of strength and comfort. We pray that Susan and her husband Tim and all the Griffin family are reassured by God’s healing touch. The quilt was requested by Andi and Norm Argast, Susan’s aunt and uncle, and by her cousins, MaryBeth and Heather.

**BACKPACK BUDDIES**

For more than a decade St. Andrew has been a leader in helping to alleviate childhood hunger in Hilton Head area by providing nutritious meals to children who need it most. TODAY you have the opportunity to help fund this important local mission for the coming school year through a special offering. For more information, call Joe Kerr at 843.341.3021. Visit [hhiumc.com/backpack-buddies](http://hhiumc.com/backpack-buddies) to see in more detail how Backpack Buddies works, and volunteer opportunities for the 2023-24 school year. *Thank you for helping our young neighbors in need.*

**YOUTH HANG OUT TODAY WITH PASTOR JONATHAN**

Pastor Jonathan would like to get together with all teens and tweens for about 30 minutes at our favorite Starbucks next door **TODAY** right after our 10:00 worship service. It's Pastor Jonathan's treat! We hope you can join us for your favorite Frappuccino fix or any other cool drink. **Moms and Dads** - you all can chat with one another at the church, or make a quick Publix run. Your special time with Jonathan is at 5:00 pm tonight at The Bank.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

			In-Person	Online
Monthly Goal	\$71,000.00	Date	Worship	Worship
Actual MTD	\$30,200.00	8.06	143	426
Special Gifts	\$3,790 .00	8.13	153	-
(restricted)		8.20	182	513

Visit our website at [hhiumc.com/donations](http://hhiumc.com/donations) or scan the QR code to see several convenient ways for your weekly or monthly giving to continue even when you are away.



**WELCOME HOME SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 10**

We hope you will join us for a special Sunday to celebrate the blessings of being part of God’s family at one service at 10:00 am followed by a Fellowship Lunch and Volunteer/Opportunity Fair. Lunch is provided but family and friend groups are asked to bring side dishes (for 6-8) to share. No RSVPs required. Visit [hhiumc.com](http://hhiumc.com) for details.

**MEN’S DEVOTION GROUP**

Starting this Thursday, St. Andrew’s Men’s Devotion Group will begin the book “WHY?” by Adam Hamilton. The group is open to new participants and meets via Zoom Thursdays at 8:00 am for an inspirational and uplifting time of devotion. Contact Bill Putnam at [williamlputnam1@gmail.com](mailto:williamlputnam1@gmail.com) or 843.683.7800 to join in and receive the weekly Zoom link.

**Scripture: 1 Samuel 3:1-11 (CEB)**

<sup>1</sup>Now the boy Samuel was serving the Lord under Eli. The Lord’s word was rare at that time, and visions weren’t widely known. <sup>2</sup>One day Eli, whose eyes had grown so weak he was unable to see, was lying down in his room. <sup>3</sup>God’s lamp hadn’t gone out yet, and Samuel was lying down in the Lord’s temple, where God’s chest was. <sup>4</sup>The Lord called to Samuel. “I’m here,” he said. <sup>5</sup>Samuel hurried to Eli and said, “I’m here. You called me?” “I didn’t call you,” Eli replied. “Go lie down.” So he did. <sup>6</sup>Again the Lord called Samuel, so Samuel got up, went to Eli, and said, “I’m here. You called me?” “I didn’t call, my son,” Eli replied. “Go and lie down.” (<sup>7</sup>Now Samuel didn’t yet know the Lord, and the Lord’s word hadn’t yet been revealed to him.) <sup>8</sup>A third time the Lord called Samuel. He got up, went to Eli, and said, “I’m here. You called me?” Then Eli realized that it was the Lord who was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup>So Eli said to Samuel, “Go and lie down. If he calls you, say, ‘Speak, Lord. Your servant is listening.’” So Samuel went and lay down where he’d been. <sup>10</sup>Then the Lord came and stood there, calling just as before, “Samuel, Samuel!” Samuel said, “Speak. Your servant is listening.” <sup>11</sup>The Lord said to Samuel, “I am about to do something in Israel that will make the ears of all who hear it tingle!

**Scripture: 2 Timothy 1:3-7 (The Message)**

<sup>3-4</sup> Every time I say your name in prayer—which is practically all the time—I thank God for you, the God I worship with my whole life in the tradition of my ancestors. I miss you a lot, especially when I remember that last tearful good-bye, and I look forward to a joy-packed reunion. <sup>5-7</sup> That precious memory triggers another: your honest faith—and what a rich faith it is, handed down from your grandmother Lois to your mother Eunice, and now to you! And the special gift of ministry you received when I laid hands on you and prayed—keep that ablaze! God doesn’t want us to be shy with his gifts, but bold and loving and sensible.

*May God add a blessing to the reading, hearing, and living of these words. Amen!*

**Navigational Markers** (thoughts and ideas to guide you)**Depth Finder** (questions to go deeper)

Who has been a ‘wise guide/seasoned mentor’ in the faith for you? What about them made you want to love God/love neighbor more?

Young people: is Christ calling, are your ears tingling, do you need help discerning?

Not-so-young people: is Christ calling, are your ears tingling, do you need to help our young people discern?

**Prayer as we Put Out to Sea**

What We Believe – we can say these things out loud  
*(written by the young people of St. Andrew By-The-Sea)*

We believe that God is like a parent;

**he created nature and all of life. He lives in Heaven.**

We believe that Jesus is God’s Son.

**He showed us all how to live and love when he was here on earth.**

**The Bible tells us stories of God and the life of Jesus.**

We believe that the Holy Spirit helps us to know what God wants us to do

**so that we can be more like Jesus.**

**Listening for the Holy Spirit is not always easy.**

In our church everyone comes to worship God together.

**ALL are welcome!**

We believe that we should try to treat others as we would want to be treated.

**Spreading joy is an important part of life.**

We need to try harder to take care of God’s creation,  
**and to go outside more so that we can learn about our world.**

To us, grace means to love no matter what  
– **like Jesus did.**

Forgiveness is something God wants us to do

– **not just for our family and friends and people we like.**

God wants us to forgive people that we may not like so much

– **including our enemies.**

And finally, we believe that we should love at all times to everyone

– **even when it is hard to do.**