

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
August 23, 2026



***Nurture
Fellowship***

John 6:1-14

Our Mission: The Story of Andrew



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August 23, 2026, 10:00 AM
Welcome to Worship!

*Indicates standing in body or in spirit

Prelude *Bach: Sarabande French Suite no. 5* **Dotson Hsing**

Welcome **Pastor Alex**

*** Call to Worship** (*bold in unison*) **Chris Peabody**

As a large crowd followed Jesus across the Sea of Galilee, the disciples saw great need among those in the crowd.

Seeing only need, many of the disciples were despondent and stood idle.

Andrew, however, saw a chance to create concord and community when he found a boy with 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish.

Like Andrew, we seek to nurture fellowship within our gathered body as a fulfillment of our mission.

We come to worship our God who feeds our bodies, nourishes our spirits, and sends us to share God's love with the world.

We worship the God of plenty – we bring what we have and trust God to make it enough. Thanks be to God!

*** Hymn of Praise** *We Are the Church* **#558**

*** Passing of the Peace**

Meditative Hymn *Spirit of the Living God* **#393**

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (*in unison*)

Responsive Hymn

On Eagle's Wings

#143

Children's Message

Prayer for the Illumination of Scripture *(in unison)*

Lord of fellowship, bring us together in shared understanding as we hear your Word of life. May we take and eat what is given to us, knowing that your Word sustains our community. Amen.

New Testament Reading

John 1:34-44

*** Hymn of Preparation**

#632

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

New Testament Reading

John 6:1-14

Sermon

Nurture Fellowship

Pastor Alex

Offertory Prayer *(in unison)*

Faithful God, you reveal your power through love that gives life and builds community. Receive our offering as a sign of our trust in your way of life for us. As we nurture fellowship and fulfill our mission in God's name, may our gifts fuel our ministries and efforts. Let Andrew's creativity and willingness to find gifts around him be an example to us. Amen.

*** Doxology**

#94

Call to Engage in Ministry

Pastor Alex

*** Hymn of Sending Forth**

Help Us Accept Each Other

#560

*** Benediction**

Postlude

What a Friend We Have In Jesus

Dotson Hsing

We invite you to stay seated for the playing of the Postlude.

Today's altar flowers are provided by Linda Creamer and Paul Mazzi - wishing a Happy 12th Birthday to grandson Carter from Grandma Linda and Grandpa Paul.



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