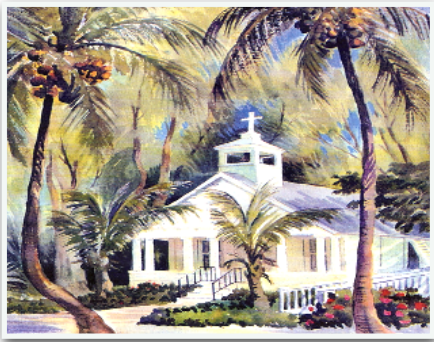




St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Boca Grande ☩ Florida

"Bringing God and people together in love through Jesus Christ"

Sunday Worship

Jan-April 8:00A.M. & 9:30A.M.
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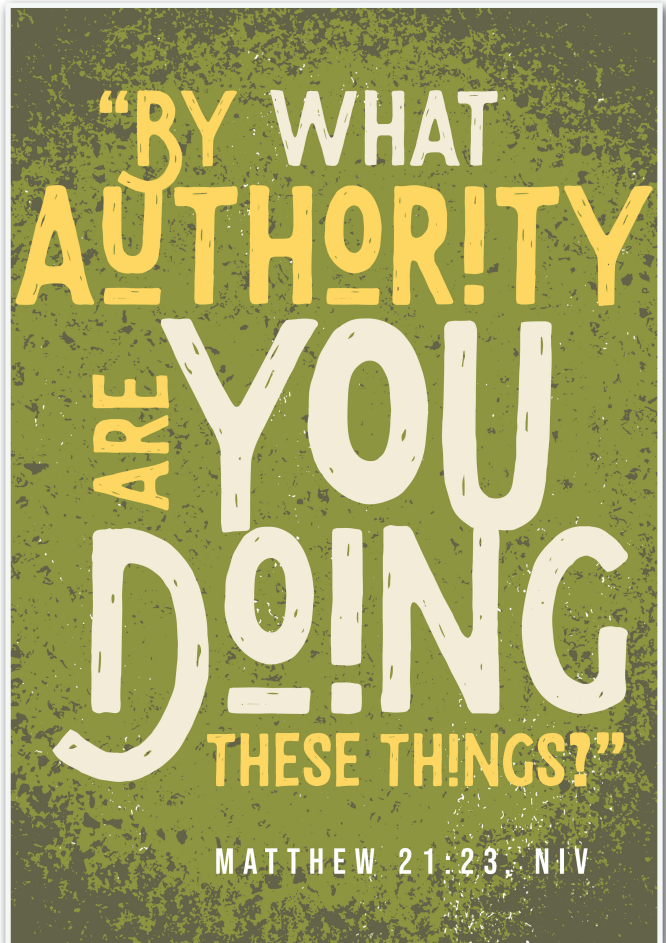
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The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Proper 21, Year A
September 27, 2026

Good Morning ...

Thank you for worshipping with us today. We hope you find a connection between your desire to come and what you experience. We are a community drawn together by faith in God's love made known in Jesus Christ, expressed by forgiveness and acceptance rather than getting it right. However you identify, you belong here. We connect with each other by knowing and accepting each other as we are, and together serve others here in Boca Grande and in the wider community. Visitor cards are in the pew to help us get to know you better. They can be returned in the offering plate at the back of the church or handed to an usher.

Restrooms are located next door in the Chapter House.

Serving Today

Usher
Lector
Chalice Bearer

Jay Spurgeon
Glen Olsen
Kim Lovo

Serving Next Sunday

Usher
Lector
Chalice Bearer

Garland Pollard

Help Make Sunday Worship Happen!

We're looking for volunteers to serve as **ushers and lectors** on Sundays. If you're willing to help, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. Every Sunday is a little easier when we all pitch in.

SIGN UP
sheet 

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Word of God

THE PRELUDE

Prelude in E-flat Major, Op 41, Nr 1
Prelude on HERR JESU CHRIST, BWV 632

Alexandre Guilmant
Johann Sebastian Bach

THE PROCESSIONAL

Fairest Lord Jesus

Hymnal, 383



1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Ru - ler of all na - ture, O thou of
2 Fair are the mea - dows, fair - er still the wood - lands, robed in the
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the moon - light, and all the

God and man the Son; thee will I cher - ish,
bloom - ing garb of spring: Je - sus is fair - er,
twink - ling, star - ry host: Je - sus shines bright - er,

thee will I hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
Je - sus is pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
Je - sus shines pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.

THE ACCLAMATION

Celebrant

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.



Sure-ly the pres-ence of the Lord is in this

place; I can feel his might-y pow-er and his grace. _

— I can hear the brush of an-gel's wings, I see

glo - ry on each face; sure - ly the

pres - ence of the Lord is in this place.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
 People **And also with you.**
 Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON**PHILIPPIANS 2:1-13**

Lector A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same

love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 25:1-8

Lector The Psalm appointed for today is a portion of Psalm 25.
Let us read responsively by half verse.

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *
 let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
 let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord, *
 and teach me your paths.

- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

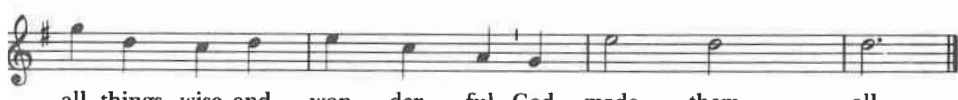
All things bright and beautiful

Hymnal, 405

Refrain



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,
 all things wise and won - der - ful, God made them all.
 all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.



1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
 2 The pur - ple - head - ed moun-tain, the riv - er run - ning by,
 3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas-ant sum - mer sun,
 4 He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell



Repeat Refrain

he made their glow-ing col - ors, he made their ti - ny wings.
 the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright-ens up the sky.
 the ripe fruits in the gar - den, he made them ev - ery one.
 how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 21:23-32

Celebrant

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

Celebrant

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Rev. John Warfel

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and
was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Beloved in Christ, humility regard others as better than yourselves. Humbly then, let us approach our God, saying, *"To will and work for your good pleasure, **O Lord, enable us.**"*

Please find your position of prayer, whether that is standing, kneeling, or sitting.

Lector Christ Jesus, strengthen our tongues to declare you as Lord of our lives. May we, your Church, glorify your Heavenly Parent in word and deed. To will and work for your good pleasure,

People **O Lord, enable us.**

Lector Christ Jesus, you chose not exploit your equality with God, but humbled yourself to be with us. Give us your heart for the marginalized and poor. And may all people, especially those in power, follow your example of humility. To will and work for your good pleasure,

People **O Lord, enable us.**

Lector Christ Jesus, by your birth in human likeness you blessed all of creation. Remind us that your feet have trod our soil and tasted our waters. Give us the will locate for this precious planet. To will and work for your good pleasure,

People **O Lord, enable us.**

Lector Christ Jesus, you rule the world with love and compassion. Give to our local leaders compassion and vision that the people of our region might live as neighbors, looking out for each other's interests. To will and work for your good pleasure,

People **O Lord, enable us.**

Lector Christ Jesus, you became obedient to the point of death that we might have abundant life. Work marvels in the lives of the sick and sorrowful. May thy recount to generations the wonderful deeds you have done in their lives. *(Please pause in brief silence to add personal thanksgivings.)* To will and work for your good pleasure,

People **O Lord, enable us.**

Celebrant

Loving God, you have shown us through Jesus what it means to live with humility, compassion, and love. Help us to carry those things with us into our daily lives—to care for one another, to look out for those in need, and to be good stewards of the world you have given us. Give us the strength and courage to put our prayers into action, and remind us that we do not do this alone. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant

And now let us pray for the forgiveness of our sins.

(A moment of silence is observed so that we may make our silent confession before God).

People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown,
things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People

Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

THE OFFERTORY

Be Thou My Vision

Dale Wood, *arr.*

THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Hymnal, 380 (v. 3)

The Holy Communion

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharist Prayer A

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow - er and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith,

Celebrant and People

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

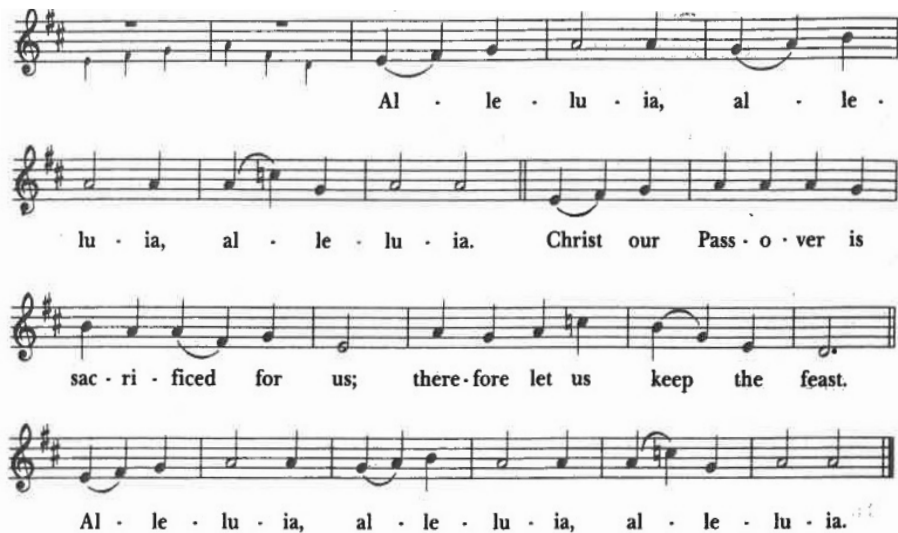
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Silence as the Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM



*(All baptized persons regardless of denominational affiliation are invited to receive Holy Communion.
If it is not in your conscience to receive, please consider coming forward for a simple blessing.)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE PROCESSIONAL*All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine*

Hymnal, 477 (v. 1-2, 5)



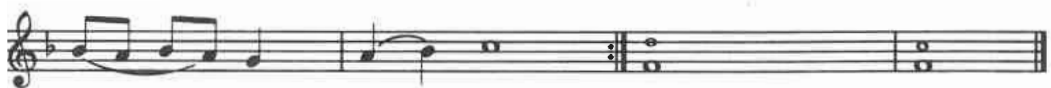
1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine, _____
 2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought; _____
 5 Let ev - ery tongue con-fess with one ac - cord _____



1 didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine, _____
 2 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought; _____
 5 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord; _____



1 that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine. _____
 2 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought. _____
 5 and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored. _____



Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

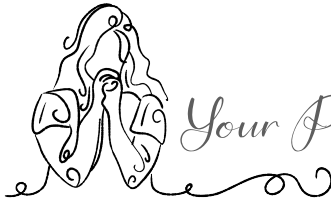
People

Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

Toccata on "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

Glen Olsen



Your Prayers are Requested for ...

Pastoral Prayer List

Bobbie Allardyce
Mary Bainbridge
Dennis Berry
Shawn Peterson Cain
Elena Cameron
Vera Chelnokov
Emily Clegg
Bob Corl
Declan Cox
Hadley Cox
John Farrar
Bob Fletcher

Jeffrey Fletcher
Tom & Bette Floyd
Edie Gardner
Dawson Gladding
Kathy Gregg
Grace Haly
David Hatzung
Donna Hecker
Logan Hoffman
Mary Anne Hooker
Terrilynn Hulmutch
Audrey Knapp
Jenna Larson

Hillary Lupo
Sarah McDonald
Mary Mulvania
Mary Jean Meyer
Bobby Parker
Pat Ryan
Pete Schock
Nancy Sellers & Family
Strazzulla Family
Peter Strong
Ed Vick
Donna Welsh

Military Prayer List

Blaise Bess
Ben Constantinides
John Life Ikenberry
Colin Jackson

Karl Jackson
Thais Jackson
Anthony Kopp
Alexander Lovo

Michael Manetti
Nikolas Milona
Jonathan Prince
Renier van Breen



Morning Prayer

Need a midweek pause?

Join us Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the church for informal Morning Prayer with Alice Pollard, followed by coffee and fellowship in the Chapter House. Come as you are—we'd love to have you!

Help Welcome Our Guests

Our Welcome Table offers visitors a friendly face, a Welcome Brochure, and a chance to learn more about St. Andrew's. We're looking for a few more friendly faces to help welcome our guests. Interested?

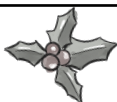
Please see Alice Pollard or email her at alicebpollard@yahoo.com.



Welcome Back Taco Night November 5 - 5:30 pm

Join your St. Andrew's family in the Chapter House for tacos, fellowship, and a festive welcome back to the island as we kick off another wonderful season together!

Holiday Supper December 10 - 5:30 pm



Save the date! Join us at 5:30 p.m. in the Chapter House for a festive Holiday Supper. We're still working out the details, but lasagna and salad may be on the menu. More information to come!

Mark Your Calendar

Women's Breakfast at the Gasparilla Inn
January 19 from 8:30am - 10:30am

"Get to Know" Dinners
February 2 at 6:00 p.m.

Garden Party at St. Andrew's
March 4 at 5:30 p.m.

Potluck Dinner
April 19 at 5:30 p.m.



A Look at the Weeks Ahead ...

Sunday, September 27

Holy Eucharist, Rite II 9:30 a.m.

Monday, September 28

Men's A.A. 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, September 29

Men's Bible Study 8:30 a.m.
A.A. 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 30

Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m.

Friday, October 2

Women's Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, October 4

Holy Eucharist, Rite II 9:30 a.m.

Monday, October 5

Men's A.A. 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, October 6

Men's Bible Study 8:30 a.m.
A.A. 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 7

Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m.

Friday, October 9

Women's Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

Zoom Bible Studies



Come when you can and join us for a time of learning, conversation, and fellowship. Whether you make it every week or drop in now and then, there's always a place for you. Join us for one session or stay for the whole series!

Men's Bible Study & Fellowship
Tuesdays @ 8:30_{A.M.} - Zoom

Women's Bible Study & Fellowship
Fridays @ 10:00_{A.M.} - Zoom

For links visit: www.standrewsbocagrande.org

At St. Andrew's We Aspire ...

- † *to be a welcoming, inviting and caring parish*
- † *to provide meaningful worship services*
- † *to provide pastoral care and guidance in times of need and celebration*
- † *to respond to human needs locally, nationally, and globally*
- † *to grow as Christians through education and discipleship*
- † *to be active in the community and ecumenical relationships*
- † *to be generous stewards of our time, talent, and treasure*

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Rick Granger
Renee Farnham
Jay Spurgeon

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Bill Durkin
Roger Lewis
Melissa Loughlin
Michael Courts **

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Tanny Clark
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