

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 20, 2022
10:00 AM



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

OPENING VOLUNTARY *God So Loved the World* Sir John Stainer
Arranged by Tedd Smith & Don Hustad

†CALL TO WORSHIP

We are the body of Christ.
We are Christ's hands and feet.
We are sent out into the world
To feed the hungry, to offer water to the thirsty,
To welcome the stranger, to clothe the naked,
To care for the sick, to visit the imprisoned.
We are the body of Christ. Let us worship God!

†HYMN 766 *The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound* MCKEE

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Loving God, we confess that though you invite us to focus outward, beyond ourselves, it is easier to turn inward. You call us to share the good news of your love for all people, but it is easier to keep quiet and stay home. You command us to love one another as you love us, but it is easier to start and stop with our friends and family. Forgive us. Don't give up on us, but give us yet another chance to practice hospitality, compassion, and mercy - to practice being your people.
Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession.

CHORAL PETITION 437 *You are the Lord, Giver of Mercy* WAYFARING STRANGER
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!
You are the Christ, giver of mercy
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Margaret Ellingson

SCRIPTURE READING John 1:1-14

MUSICAL OFFERING *Hope of the World* Taylor David

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 25:31-46

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON *Loving Our Neighbors* Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

WELCOME

The service begins with the first note of the Opening Voluntary.

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

† When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit, as able.

HYMN 766

Adam Tice was inspired to write this hymn by the words of Menno Simons, founder of the Mennonite movement: "True evangelical faith cannot lie dormant. It clothes the naked, it feeds the hungry, it comforts the sorrowful, it shelters the destitute and it serves those who harm it. It binds up that which is wounded. It has become all things to all people."

CHORAL PETITION

Following a time for silent confession the congregation will join in a sung prayer of petition. You are The Lord, Giver of Mercy is an adaptation of the traditional Kyrie eleison. The plaintive setting derived from an Appalachian melody preserves a sense of humility and trust.

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

After each scripture reading the reader will say, "The Word of the Lord." All are invited to respond, "Thanks be to God."

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Written by a St. Andrews Sunday School Class

*At St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, we believe in
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
Being Christ-centered;
The Bible as the core of our belief;
Doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with our God;
Being an open and safe place for confession and forgiveness;
Being involved in the community, locally and beyond;
Being welcoming and inclusive;
Caring for creation.
We believe that the church is the people.*

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD'S CHURCH, COMMUNITY & WORLD

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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory

Christus, dir ist mein Leben
Christ, you are my life

Johann Pachelbel

†Offertory Response

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

TALLIS' CANON

†Prayer of Dedication

GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

†HYMN 298

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

ABBOT'S LEIGH

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

Jesu, meine Freude
Jesus, my Joy

Johann Walther

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In May 2018, our intergenerational Sunday school class studied Presbyterian creeds and confessions. They explored what the authors addressed and struggled with what to agree on and how to say it. The class members wrote this affirmation of faith for St. Andrews based on scripture, our Reformed heritage, and our congregation.

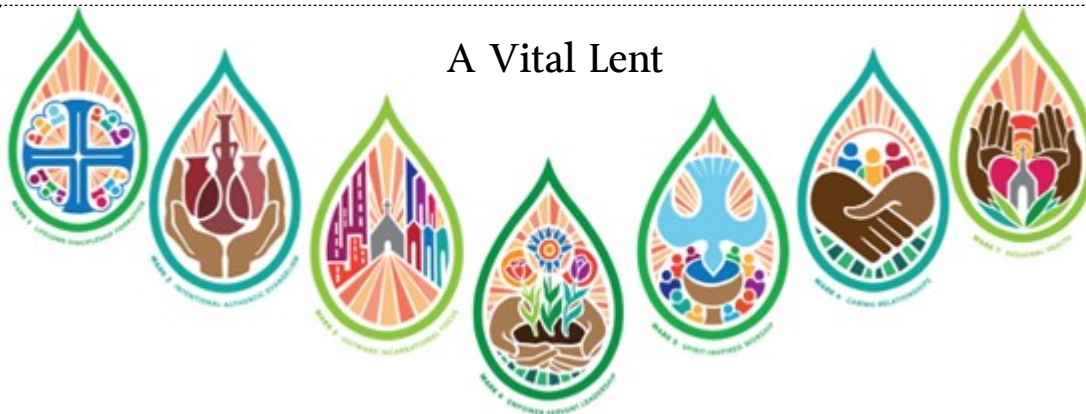
HYMN 298

In Matthew 25:40, Jesus says, "I assure you that when you have done it for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you have done it for me." This hymn captures what it looks like when we follow this call. United by the refrain after each stanza, this text relies on passages from Matthew and Luke to highlight various dimensions of the church's mission and ministry in the world.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Because we have been forgiven in Christ, we can forgive one another. We demonstrate this by sharing Christ's peace with one another.

A Vital Lent



March 27 Nurturing Each Other's Gifts

Ephesians 4:1-16

John 13:1-20

April 3 For the Good of All

John 8:1-12

Galatians 6:1-10

April 10 Palm/Passion Sunday

Encountering God

Exodus 3:1-6

John 12:1-12

April 14 Maundy Thursday

April 15 Good Friday

April 17 Easter

Go and Tell: Intentional, Authentic Evangelism

Romans 10:1-17

John 20:1-18

Notes on Today's Music:

The **Opening Voluntary** is an arrangement of a movement setting the text of John 3:16-17 from the cantata "The Crucifixion" by Sir John Stainer (1840-1901). Stainer was an English composer and organist whose music, though seldom performed today, was very popular during his lifetime. His work as choir trainer and organist set standards for Anglican church music that are still influential. He was also active as an academic, becoming Professor of Music at Oxford.

The **Musical Offering** was composed by Taylor Davis (b. 1980), currently the Director of Music and Worship at Holy Covenant United Methodist Church in Houston, TX. The text was composed by Georgia Harkness (1891-1974), an American Methodist theologian and philosopher. Harkness has been described as one of the first significant American female theologians and was important in the movement to legalize the ordination of women in American Methodism.

Offertory Melchior Vulpius (1570-1615) composed this short chorale tune, published as a setting for the anonymous funeral hymn "Christus, der ist mein Leben" (Christ, You are My Life). He was a highly regarded composer whose works included nearly two hundred motets in German and Latin, and over four hundred hymn tunes.

This setting is by Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706), a German composer, organist, and teacher who brought the south German organ school to its peak. He composed a large body of sacred and secular music, and his contributions to the development of the chorale prelude and fugue have earned him a place among the most important composers of the middle Baroque era.

Benediction in Music "Jesu, meine Freude" (Jesus, my Joy) is a German hymn written by Johann Franck, a lyric poet and hymnist, in 1650. The hymn tune was composed by Johann Crüger (1598-1662), a composer of well-known hymns. He was also the editor of the most widely used Lutheran hymnal of the 17th century, *Praxis pietatis melica*.

As one part of the church of Jesus Christ, we are inspired and guided by Christ's vision of God's realm – one that includes all who seek to love God and neighbor.

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church welcomes all people, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic situation, family status, mental or physical abilities to become part of the membership and ministry of the church.

We welcome all of each of you.

Approved and adopted by the Session of St. Andrews, August 2019

CALENDAR

Sunday, March 20th

9:00 AM Sunday School
Sunday Morning Together
10:00 AM Worship
Light of Grace Class
1:00 PM Session Meeting

Monday, March 21st

11:00 AM re:loom
8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, March 22nd

Wednesday, March 23rd

12:30 PM Lunch and Learn
7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 24th

Friday, March 25th

9:00 AM Church at Prayer
8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Saturday, March 26th

Sunday, March 27th

9:00 AM Sunday School
Sunday Morning Together
10:00 AM Worship
Light of Grace Class

PRAYER CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

If you have a prayer concern, please scan the QR code on the pew card, or email the office: office@sapctucker.org. Please update the office about any changes in the condition of your loved ones.

Debbie Hutto

Nancy Mills on the death of her sister, Elizabeth.

Congratulations to David and Kjersti Lukens on the birth of their daughter, Abigail Gwendolyn

The family of Rev. Woody McKay

In the Nursing Home, Home Care, or Assisted Living:

Millie Ball at Home
Peggy Benedict at home
Elinor Bryan Westminster Village
Henry Tribble The Villages
Sue Puckett Camelia Place

WELCOME

Welcome to St Andrews. Your presence is a joy for us. We invite you to join St Andrews, a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), in ministry and in worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lunch and Learn will meet on Wednesday, March 23rd at 12:30 PM on Zoom.

Church at Prayer will meet on Friday, March 25th at 9:00 AM on Zoom. All are welcome.

Lenten Devotionals are available in the narthex and in the breezeway by the office. They can also be emailed or mailed to you by request. Contact: office@sapctucker.org.

re:loom will meet March 21st at 11:00 a.m. in the Library. Please feel free to bring your lunch and we will eat together when we have finished our work. If you want to know more about re:loom, please see their website: <https://www.reloom.org/>

Sunday Mornings Together All are invited to join us Sunday Mornings in Lent for an intergenerational faith formation and fellowship time in Heffner Hall. We will gather at 9:00 AM for coffee or juice and a short discussion of the topic of the day followed by time for fellowship.

Ushers Needed Are You Friendly? Would you like to help folks feel at home at St. Andrews? Ushers are needed for the 1st and 4th Sunday of each month. Please contact Debbie Brillig if you can help: 770-329-8721 or dbrilling@avchears.org.

Easter Flowers If you would like to dedicate an Easter flower in memory or in honor of a loved one, there are dedication forms available online and in the narthex. Please note on the form if you plan to take the flower with you on Easter Sunday, or if it is a dedication only. Flowers are \$10 each. Please put 'Easter flowers' on the memo line, if paying by check.

Church Gathering, A Walk in the Park You are invited to join your SAPC family Saturday, April 2nd for an intergenerational gathering at the City of Lilburn Park. Bring your walking shoes, your soccer ball, or your frisbee. We will meet at 10:30 a.m.. You can choose the intensity or the distance you want to walk. This is a time to commune quietly with nature, or reconnect with other church members. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Weimer at cindybethe@gmail.com.

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