

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 15, 2023

10:00 AM



### GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

OPENING VOLUNTARY      *How Firm a Foundation*      Charles Callahan

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined.

**Thanks be to God.**

†HYMN 321      *The Church's One Foundation*      AURELIA

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Almighty God,

**we confess that we have not been faithful to you in our thoughts and actions.**

**We have been selfish in our desires and quarrelsome in our relationships.**

**We have allowed fear to divide us from those who seem different,**

**and let distrust separate us from our brothers and sisters.**

**Shine your light into our darkened hearts.**

**Save us from our divisive ways.**

**Unite us in the same mind as Jesus Christ, who dwells with you and the Holy**

**Spirit in perfect harmony.**

*(A time of silent, personal confession)*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

†JOYFUL RESPONSE 610      *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*      AZMON

O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace.

To God all glory, praise and love be now and ever given  
by saints below and saints above the church on earth and heaven.

### HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION      Charlton Allen

SCRIPTURE READING      Isaiah 9:1-4

MUSICAL OFFERING      *Great is Thy Faithfulness*      William M. Runyan  
Text: Thomas Chisholm  
Setting: John Helgen

SCRIPTURE READING      Matthew 4:12-23

CHILDREN'S LESSON

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.

THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

In 19th century England there was great controversy over Biblical interpretation. Samuel Stone wrote this hymn as a plea for unity. It reminds us of the foundation we have in Jesus Christ that unites the Church, which through both blessings and challenges, is Christ's new creation.

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**

†HYMN 720

*Jesus Calls Us*

GALILEE

**THE SACRIMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM FOR ABIGAIL GWENDOLYN LUKENS****Apostles' Creed**

Let us confess the faith of our Baptism.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father  
Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Song of Welcome**

Abigail, we name you: And with thanksgiving,  
Offer our prayer and sing you this song.  
We are the church, your spiritual family.  
Sing we our praises to Christ the Lord.

Children we all are, of God the creator;  
Risking and loving, daring to see  
The heavenly kingdom growing among us.  
Sing we our praises to Christ the Lord.

**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**      *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands*      Arr. Moses Hogan  
Ben Thomas, Tenor ~ Tyler Walker, Piano

**Offertory Response**

PRAISE GOD

**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.**

**Prayer of Dedication****GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD**

†HYMN 726

*Will You Come and Follow Me?*

KELVINGROVE

**APOSTLES' CREED**

This ancient creed, which has its roots in Pentecost, states central mysteries without precisely explaining them. The early church originally used this creed responsively at baptism. Its current form was fixed through efforts of Charlemagne in 814.

**SONG OF WELCOME**

We will welcome the newly baptized by singing words to the tune BUNESSAN. This Gaelic melody is known from the hymn, *Morning Has Broken*.

**WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME?**

In the first four stanzas of this song, drawing on a blend of scriptural and experiential references, we hear the voice of Christ calling people to a life of service and witness. The final stanza is our opportunity to answer this call affirmatively.

## †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** *Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan* Johann Gottfried Walther

### 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.

#### Notes on Today's Music

The text of **How Firm a Foundation** was first published in London in 1787. The identity of the author of this popular text - identified only as "K" - is one of the unsolved mystery of 18th century English hymnody.

The composer of the music is also unknown. It first appeared in *A Compilation of Genuine Church Music* edited by Joseph Funk (Winchester, Virginia, 1832) where the name of the tune was PROTECTION. This tune, now known as FOUNDATION, based on a pentatonic (five note) scale, is one of most well-known and popular from the shaped note repertory.

The text of **Great Is Thy Faithfulness** was written by Thomas Chisholm (1866-1960), a Methodist writer and pastor. Written as a meditation on Lamentations 2:22-23, it was first published in *Songs of Salvation and Service* (Chicago, 1923) and was combined with the music composed specifically for it by William Runyan (1870-1957) who was also a Methodist pastor.

This arrangement is by John Helgen, an American organist, pianist, composer, and conductor. He currently serves as Director of Music Ministry at Roseville Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

The **Benediction in Music** is based on the Lutheran chorale, "Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan," (literal translation: What God does, that is well done) and was written by the pietist German poet and schoolmaster, Samuel Rodigast (1649-1708). The melody has been attributed to Severus Gastorius (1646-1682), a cantor in the town of Jena, Thuringia, a state in Germany.

This setting was composed by Johann Gottfried Walther (1684 – 1748), a German music theorist, organist, composer, and lexicographer of the Baroque era. Not only was his life almost exactly contemporaneous to that of Johann Sebastian Bach, he was the famous composer's cousin. He is considered among the most distinguished musical scholars of his time. His *Musicalisches Lexicon* was the first important comprehensive German music dictionary.

*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, January 15<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM Worship

### **Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 PM AA Meeting

### **Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 AM Presbyterian Women

### **Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>**

1:00 PM Lunch and Learn  
5:00 PM Light of Grace  
7:30 PM Chancel Choir

### **Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

### **Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Church at Prayer  
8:00 PM AA Meeting

### **Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup>**

### **Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**

9:00 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM Worship

## PRAYER CONCERNS AND

### CELEBRATIONS

If you have a prayer concern, please complete a Prayer Request Card, and place it in the offering plate, or contact the office. Please update the office about any changes in the condition of your loved ones.

**Marcia Noble's daughter,  
Michelle  
Robert Hall**

### 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  
**Ron Weber** at home, **Betty Weber**  
Camelia Place

## WELCOME

We invite you to join St Andrews, a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), in ministry and in worship.

Please note your presence on the list in the narthex so that members of our church family may welcome you. Your presence is a joy for us.

Families are welcome to use the parlor in the narthex during worship. Books, quiet games, and comfy seating are available, and you will be able to view a live stream of the service. For those who wish to stay in the sanctuary, the PRAYground is available, offering educational and interactive materials.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Flowers Today** are given by Deb Chambers in memory of her father, William H. Marx's, birthday.

**Lunch and Learn** In January we will be having shortened Lunch and Learn meetings. Join us on Zoom Wednesdays from 1:00-1:30 PM. We will be studying Psalm 95:1-7 and Romans 5:1-11 on 1/18/22.

**Our Annual Congregational Meeting** will be held in worship on Sunday, January 29th for the purposes of receiving the 2022 SAPC Annual Report, voting on pastoral terms of call, and the election of officers for 2023.

**Clifton Sanctuary Ministries** Volunteers are needed to supply the meal for Clifton on Jan 22 and several upcoming dates. Please see the sign-up link in your weekly email.

**PW** The Presbyterian Women will meet in the meeting room and on Zoom at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, January 17. All of the women of St. Andrews are welcome to attend.

A digital copy of this bulletin is available on our website accessible by scanning this code. Notes on today's music are available on the same page.



## CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Camille LeBron Powell, Pastor  
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