

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
FEBRUARY 11, 2024
10:00 AM



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

OPENING VOLUNTARY *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

Lani Smith

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Listen to God, whose voice speaks from top of the tallest mountain to the depths of humanity.

May the peace of God's words resonate within us!

Marvel at the light of the Holy Spirit, which inspires all goodness and shines forth brilliantly against the darkness of sin and evil.

May the light of the Holy Spirit be the lamp to our true path!

Follow Jesus wherever he leads you – for Jesus' way is love.

May the love of Jesus lead us to change ourselves and the world! Amen.

†HYMN 190

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

GENEVA

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You call us to the mountaintop, to see you as you really are.

**We follow, curious and wondering—but when we see your glory,
we are speechless and afraid.**

You call us down the mountain, into the valleys of fear, into the shadow of death,
into the streets and alleys, into the living rooms and kitchens and classrooms,

**and we come slowly, lingering in the light, catching reflected glory,
enjoying our separate-ness.**

You call us to follow you into homeless shelters and halls of power, and in each to take
off our shoes on this holy ground,

and we look around in disgust, unwilling to see your holiness *there*.

Forgive our narrow vision.

**When we see you in the beauty of creation and miss you in the pain of your
people, forgive us, O God.**

**When we long for your voice and use our voices to shut you out,
forgive us, O God.**

**When we would rather everyone just keep their shoes on, comfortable and
ready to run, forgive us, O God.**

Draw us near to you and fill us with your Spirit, that we may know your holiness in
every place and every person, not only where we want to see.

(A time of silent, personal confession)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

†JOYFUL RESPONSE 582 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

VASILE

†SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

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.

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.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jennifer Allen

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 50:1-6

Pew Bible p. 591(OT)

MUSICAL OFFERING

Go Up the Mountain of God

Michael Helman

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 9:2-9

Pew Bible p. 41(NT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON

Descending to Share the Story

Rev. Dr. Camille LeBron Powell

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN 839

Blessed Assurance

ASSURANCE

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Our hope is God, our holy Parent,
who makes all things and from whom all blessings flow.
God's faithfulness is the anchor of our hope.

Our trust is in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
More than a teacher,
His life, death, and resurrection give meaning to our existence.
Christ's faithfulness tethers us to holy mystery.

Our trust is in the Holy Spirit.
Blowing over and through creation, unexpected and untamed,
The Spirit stirs forgiveness and fruitfulness and creates families.
The Spirit's faithfulness ties together past, present, and future.

Holy Trinity, One God, we believe you transfigure our faith. Amen.

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

†Offering Response 608

PRAISE GOD

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore.

†Prayer of Dedication

GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

†HYMN 192

Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

The Solid Rock

Anna Laura Page

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

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

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

This affirmation is adapted from the Transfiguration story found in Mark 9:2-9 by Rev. Julia Seymour, pastor of Lutheran Church of Hope in Anchorage, AK.

LORD, THE LIGHT OF YOUR LOVE IS SHINING

This song, written in 1988, incorporates a variety of scriptural images (John 1:5; Hebrews 13:20-21; Psalm 139:23; and 2 Corinthians 3:18; Isaiah 11:9; Habakkuk 2:14) to explore. The refrain continues the light-based imagery, making it appropriate for Jesus' Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-9).

CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Dr. Camille LeBron Powell, Pastor
LaVerne Byas-Smith, Coordinator of Congregational Vitality
David Lukens, Director of Music
Edward Weaver, Associate Director of Music and Organist
Pat Baker, Director of Older Adult and Caregiver Ministries
Lionette Bruce, Director, St. Andrews School
Gretchen Perkins, Office Manager
Helen Hoang, Financial Administrator

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, February 11th

8:45 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM Chancel Bells
11:30 AM Joint Session & Diaconate Meeting
2:00 PM Revelation Bible Study

Monday, February 12th

8:00 PM AA Meeting

Tuesday, February 13th

7:00 PM Education Ministry

Wednesday, February 14th

6:30 PM Ash Wednesday
7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 15th

5:00 PM Light of Grace

Friday, February 16th

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

Saturday, February 17th

10:00 AM Saturday Study Group

Sunday, February 18th

8:45 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM Chancel Bells
2:00 PM Revelation Bible Study

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.

**Congratulations to Natalia Papot-
to on her admission to Law
School**

Ed Weaver

Tom Evans

Milly Ball

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

Milly Ball The Atria
Peggy Benedict at home
Henry Tribble The Villages
Ron Weber at home, **Betty Weber**
Camelia Place
Linda Weaver at home
Ted & Peggy Heffner Blueridge
Assisted Living

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.

Anyone needing a quiet spot during Worship, is welcome to use the Parlor; you will be able to view a live stream of the service. Nursery care is available in the hallway behind the sanctuary. For families with children who wish to stay in the sanctuary, the PRAYground is available, offering educational and interactive materials.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers Today are given by Arch and Pat Baker to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of their Parents, Arch and Virginia Baker and Charles and Bette Copelan.

Please Welcome guest organist, Anna Price, after worship today. She will be with us in the coming weeks as Ed Weaver recovers from shoulder surgery.

Ash Wednesday Join us this Wednesday at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary for a reflective service and the imposition of ashes.

Share the Love Please see your February *Lamplighter* newsletter for details about how we can help the teachers of St. Andrews School fulfill the wish lists for their classrooms on February 14th.

Sunday Morning Together begins its study of *Hard and Holy Work: A Lenten Journey through the Book of Exodus* next Sunday in the Meeting Room at 8:45 AM. The church has ordered copies of the book available for \$11, or you may purchase a copy online.

The **Saturday Morning Bible Study Group** meets Saturdays at 10:00 AM in the Meeting Room. They will begin a Lenten study this week: Amy Jill Levine's *Entering the Passion of Jesus*. All are welcome.

Revelation Bible Study An ongoing study of the Bible book of Revelation is being held at St. Andrews, Sundays at 2:00 pm in the Youth Lounge, The recorded instruction by Bruce Gore lasts for about an hour with discussion, moderated by Arch Baker, to follow.

Emails from St. Andrews If you did not receive emails this week from St. Andrews, please check your spam/junk/other folders. And add office@sapctucker.ccsend.com to your contacts and/or your safe senders list.

Lent at St. Andrews Our Lenten theme is *Wandering Heart: Figuring out Faith with Peter*. We are using materials from Sanctified Art this Lent and Easter. Copies of devotional booklets and cards are available in the Narthex and outside in the courtyard by the church office door.

A digital copy of this bulletin is available on our website, accessible by scanning this code.



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