

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 17, 2024

10:00 AM



### GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

OPENING VOLUNTARY *All You Works of God, Bless the Lord!* John Behnke

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Why are you here?

**I am seeking God with my whole heart, with my entire mind,  
with a fire burning in my bones.**

I see it! You're in the right place! This is God's house. The door is open to you.

**Why are you here?**

I am seeking God with my whole heart, with my entire mind,  
with a fire burning in my bones.

**We see that in you! You're in the right place.**

**This is God's house. The door is open to you.**

Let us worship God.

**Let us learn from the Spirit. Amen!**

†HYMN 510 *We Gather Here in Jesus' Name* COME, SHARE THE LORD

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Holy God,

We long to be lifelong learners.

We long to approach you with curiosity and an open mind.

Instead, we often live as if we know best.

We forget that the disciples called you "Rabbi, Teacher."

Forgive us for the times when we fail to be curious.

Forgive us for the times when we assume we know best.

Forgive us for the moments when we imagine that our learning is done and  
that we have all the answers.

Like Peter—who was brave enough to ask, "How many times should we  
forgive?"—make us brave. Spark a desire in us to learn, and may our curiosity  
carry our faith into deeper waters. With hope and humility we pray...

*(A time of silent, personal confession)*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

†LENTEN RESPONSE Please see the bulletin insert. JEFFERSON

†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.

LENTEN THEME AND LITURGY

This Lenten season we are following the theme, "Wandering Heart: figuring out faith with Peter," from A Sanctified Art LLC. A Sanctified Art believes God speaks to us through many mediums and that creativity is an integral part of worship. They create curriculum and worship resources, including the Lenten Devotionals and cards found in the Narthex. The Call to Worship, Prayer of Confession, and Affirmation of Faith are adapted from prayers written by Sarah (Are) Speed of A Sanctified Art.

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

Gretchen Turner

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 119:9-16

Pew Bible p. 535(OT)

MUSICAL OFFERING

*Let Us Love One Another*

Arnold Sherman

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 18:15-22

Pew Bible p. 19(NT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON

*Wandering Heart: Teach Me* Rev. Dr. Camille LeBron Powell

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN

*Love Your Neighbor and Forgive*

REDHEAD NO. 76

Please see the bulletin insert.

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe that questions are a building block of faith.

*"How many times should I forgive?"*

*"Jesus, where are you going?"*

*"What must I do to inherit eternal life?"*

We believe that humble curiosity can open our eyes.

*"Where does it hurt?"*

*"What do you need?"*

*"How can I help?"*

We believe that God is a teacher.

*"Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."*

*"Here I am."*

*"Send me."*

We believe that faith invites our whole being to engage,

**with all our heart,**

**with all our mind,**

**with all our strength.**

We believe. Help our unbelief.

**In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

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

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

†Offering Response

**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

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

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

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR  
AND FORGIVE

Anna Strickland of Sanctified Art wrote this original hymn text, connecting images from scripture and our Lenten theme of Wandering Heart.

COMMUNION OF THE  
PEOPLE

In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is not just for Presbyterians or "members of the church." All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may receive the bread and grape juice (in place of wine) to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.

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.

**Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup**  
**Communion of the People**  
**Prayer After Communion**

**GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD**

†HYMN 306

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

DENNIS

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

*Great Is the Lord*

Keith Christopher

All are invited to the Lord's Table to receive Communion, which is served by intinction. Congregants proceed via the center aisle to receive the bread (gluten-free bread and individual cups of juice are available at the center station), which they then dip into the chalice of nonalcoholic grape juice. Worshipers return to their pews by the side aisles. If you are unable to come forward to receive communion, we will come to you in your seat.

BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS  
 John Fawcett, a pastor in England, had the habit of writing a new hymn each week to go with his sermon. He wrote this one in 1772 while reflecting on the thought of leaving his first call.

**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  
 Lonnette Bruce, Director, St. Andrews School  
 Gretchen Perkins, Office Manager  
 Helen Hoang, Financial Administrator

**Holy Week**

March 28	Maundy Thursday	Simple Supper & Worship, 6:30 PM
March 29	Good Friday	Worship, 7:30 PM
March 31	Easter	Worship in the Garden, 8:30 AM Easter Breads & Egg Hunt, 9:00 AM Worship, 10:00 AM

## CALENDAR

### **Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**

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

### **Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 AM re:loom  
8:00 PM AA Meeting

### **Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 AM Presbyterian Women  
7:00 PM Caregiver Support Group

### **Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**

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

### **Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>**

5:00 PM Light of Grace

### **Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

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

### **Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

10:00 AM Lenten Study

### **Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM Worship-  
Passion/Palm Sunday  
11:00 AM Lunches for Clifton  
Chancel Bells  
2:00 PM Revelation Bible Study  
4:00 PM Dinner, Clifton Sanctuary

## 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.

**Tom Evans**  
**Christy Meeks**  
**Ron Weber**

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

**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

**Easter Flower Dedications** If you would like to dedicate an Easter flower in memory or in honor of a loved one, there are dedication forms 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. Put "Easter flowers" on the memo line, if paying by check. Today is the last day for sending in dedications.

**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.

**re:loom** Join us on Monday, March 18th at 11:00 AM in the church library for re:loom. Bring your lunch and stay for fellowship afterward.

**Presbyterian Women** The Presbyterian Women are meeting on Tuesday, March 19th and will discuss Chapter 7 of their study. All the women of St. Andrews are welcome!

A **Caregiver Support Group** lead by Pat Baker meets via Zoom the 3rd Tuesday night of each month at 7:00 PM. All caregivers of spouses, parents for other family or friends are welcome to attend, no registration is needed. Please see your weekly email for the Zoom link.

The **Closer Walk** Bible study group meets Saturdays at 10:00 AM in the Meeting Room. This Lent they are studying Amy Jill Levine's *Entering the Passion of Jesus*. All are welcome.

**Sunday Morning Together** has begun it's study of *Hard and Holy Work: A Lenten Journey through the Book of Exodus* in the Meeting Room, Sundays at 8:45 AM.

**Easter Breads** We'll gather in the Meeting Room at 9:00 on Easter Sunday for pastries, cookies, coffee and conversation between worship services and it's time to start planning what you'd like to bring. Everyone's invited to contribute. Please contact Jeniffer Alen to volunteer to help, or with questions: 770-491-0828.

**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.

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