SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 3, 2024 10:00 AM



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Be Thou My Vision

Stan Pethel

†CALL TO WORSHIP

If you ask the sky who God is,

the sky will tell you of God's reach.

If you ask the day who God is,

the sun will tell you of God's warmth.

If you ask the night who God is,

the moon will tell you of God's comfort.

"The heavens are telling the glory of God." Are you listening?

We are listening! We will sing of God's glory.

Let us worship Holy God.

†HYMN 667

When Morning Guilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Holy God, Some days, we are quick to declare your goodness.

Like Peter, we see you in our midst and we are confident in our faith.

Other days, we are distracted and uncertain, desperate for answers.

Forgive us for losing sight of you.

Some days we are quick to trust your blessings—

trusting that we are called, that we can make a difference.

Other days, our praise falls silent and doubt creeps in.

Forgive us for losing sight of ourselves.

We know that fear and doubt are part of the journey of faith.

But for the days when we are far from you and far from ourselves, we ask for your tender grace.

Pull us closer toward you. Remind us of the mountaintop moments of our faith.

(A time of silent, personal confession)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

†LENTEN RESPONSE

Please see the bulletin insert.

†SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Margaret Ellingson

JEFFERSON

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. SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 19

Pew Bible p. 472(OT)

MUSICAL OFFERING

I Look to Mountains High

Antonio Caldara Arr. Hal Hopson

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 16:13-20

Pew Bible p. 17(NT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON Wandering Hea

Wandering Heart: Praise the Mount

Rev. Dr. Camille LeBron Powell

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN Here at the Peak

HAMBURG

Please see the bulletin insert.

Text: Anna Strickland

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Jesus asked the disciples, "But what about you? Who do you say that I am?" Church, what do you say?

Jesus is a hand reaching out in the storm,

the voice of truth spoken over us, and love without walls.

Jesus is justice for the weary, healing for the hurt,

and welcome for the stranger.

Jesus is teacher, Messiah, and friend-

with me on the mountain and beside me in the valley.

Jesus is a star in the night, and the love that knows my name.

Jesus asked, "Who do you say that I am?"

Like Peter, we say,

"Jesus, you are the Messiah, son of the Living God."

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

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

†Offering Response

TALLIS'CANON

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

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.

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.

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

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

HERE AT THE PEAK

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 Iesus Christ.

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 (glutenfree 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.

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

GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

†Hymn 625 How Great Thou Art how great thou art

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC Hyfrydol Gordon Young

How Great Thou Art The origin of this hymn dates back to Sweden in 1885. Stuart Hine translated it into English in many years later and added verses after World War II broke out in 1939. The version we know today became popular when George Beverly Shea introduced it during a Billy Graham Crusade. It didn't appear in a Presbyterian hymnal until 1990.

CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Dr. Camille LeBron Powell, Pastor
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David Lukens, Director of Music
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CALENDAR

Sunday, March 3rd

8:45 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship

11:00 AM Inquirer's Meeting

Chancel Bells

2:00 PM Revelation Bible Study

Monday, March 4th

8:00 PM AA Meeting

Tuesday, March 5th

Wednesday, March 6th

7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 7th

5:00 PM Light of Grace

Friday, March 8th

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

Saturday, March 9th

10:00 AM Lenten Study

1:00 PM Memorial Service for

Mildred Ball

Sunday, March 10th

8:45 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship

11:00 AM Chancel Bells

11:15 AM Diaconate

Engagement Ministry

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.

Ed Weaver

Tom Evans

The Family of Milly Ball

Marcia Noble

Christy Meeks

<u>In the Nursing Home, Home Care, or Assisted Living:</u>

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

<u>Memorial Service</u> A Celebration of Life for Mildred Ball will be held on Saturday, March 9th at Floral Hills Funeral Home with visitation from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, and the service from 1:00-2:00 pm, internment following at Greenlawn Cemetery.

<u>Inquirer's Meeting</u> Are you new, visiting, or would you like to learn more about St. Andrews? Join us after worship today in the parlor for a brief inquirer's meeting.

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. March 17th will be the last day for sending in dedications.

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

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.

The <u>Closer Walk</u> Bible study group meets Saturdays at 10:00 AM in the Meeting Room. They have begun a Lenten study, Amy Jill Levine's *Entering the Passion of Jesus*. All are welcome.

<u>Sunday Morning Together</u> 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. The church has ordered copies of the book available for \$11, or you may purchase a copy online.

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.

<u>Out of the Office</u> Rev. Dr. Camille will be out of the office for Continuing Education March 4-6th. Please contact your Deacon if you need pastoral assistance during this time.

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