

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 15, 2017
10:00 AM



Welcome

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

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

Nursery Care is available in the Education Building, Room 107.

Church Staff

The Rev. Camille LeBron Powell, Pastor
The Rev. Steve Sankey, Associate Pastor for Children and Youth
David Lukens, Director of Music
Edward Weaver, Associate Director of Music and Organist

Ann McKinney, Director, St. Andrews School
Gretchen Perkins, Administrative Assistant
Debbie Hutto, Financial Administrator
Lidieth Fenimore, Environmental Services

WELCOME

We are glad that you are here. If you do not have a church home in the community, we invite you to consider joining us in work and in worship, loving God and loving neighbor. You will find more information about our church, a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), in the pew racks. Nursery Care is available in the Education Building, Room 107. Please note your presence in the registry of friendship, so that members of our church family may welcome you. Your presence is a joy for us. Check out our website sapctucker.org and our Facebook page www.facebook.com/sapctucker for pictures and information on our upcoming events.

CALENDAR

Sunday, October 15th
9:00 AM Church School
10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM Ministry Fair
11:30 AM Session Meeting
3:00 PM G2G Kids Choir
4:00 PM Chancel Bells
5:00 PM Youth Choir
6:00 PM Youth Group

Monday, October 16th
6:30 PM Reloom
8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, October 17th
10:00 AM Presbyterian Women

Wednesday, October 18th
7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 19th

Friday, October 20th
9:00 AM Church at Prayer
8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Saturday, October 21st
9:00 AM Work Day

Sunday, October 22nd
9:00 AM Church School
10:00 AM Worship
3:00 PM G2G Kids Choir
4:00 PM Chancel Bells
6:00 PM Youth Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

G2G Kids Choir St. Andrews Glory to God (G2G) Kids choir will rehearse today from 3:00-4:00 PM. All kids, Pre-K thru 5th Grade, are welcome. There will be singing, a craft and a snack. Meet in the Choir Room. Come make a joyful noise with us! Contact David Lukens for more information or to sign up to help. dlukens@sapctucker.org

Ministry Fair Today After the 10 AM service, come for cookies and coffee in the youth lounge. This is an opportunity to learn more about the many ways to engage in service and fellowship at St. Andrews. There's a way for everyone to use their talents in service while working together and getting to know other church members.

Kirking of the Tartans It's time to bake the cookies! On October 29th, we are celebrating St. Andrews Annual Kirking of the Tartans. While our members come from a wide diversity of countries and ethnicities, the Presbyterian Church traces its roots back to Scotland. So, we will celebrate with special music including bagpipes and a shortbread reception after the worship service in Heffner Hall. Please bake a dozen (or two) shortbread cookies and bring them for the reception.

Would you like to be an Advent acolyte? No experience required, female or male, young or old, we have robes of all sizes and all are welcome. Get in touch with contact Merle Westbrook at 678-471-1813 or mwbrook@bellsouth.net.

Our Flower Ministry Calendar is filled for October – thank you! There are two weeks available in November, and four in December. Contact Merle Westbrook at 678-471-1813 or mwbrook@bellsouth.net to sign up for a date.

Camille Powell and Steve Sankey will be out of the office Monday, October 16 through Thursday, October 19 on Continuing Education leave.

GENEROSITY 2017

All are invited to explore what it means to be stewards of God's mysteries. On Sunday, October 22nd we will join one another in presenting our commitments of support of the ministry and mission to which we are called as St. Andrews Presbyterian Church.

October 15 Faithful with Much (Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52)
October 22 Faithful with All (Luke 19:11-27)

If you have not received your generosity packet in the mail, additional packets and pledge cards are available in the narthex.

“Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy.”

1 Corinthians 4:1-2 (NRSV)

PRAYER CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

If you have a prayer concern, please complete a Prayer Request Card, located in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate. Normally names will be listed in the bulletin for three weeks; please update the office of any changes in the condition of your loved one.

The Family of Trudy Dickinson
Joan Catlin, Louis Todd Sr., Michelle Wilson (daughter of Marcia Noble)

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

Nell Foster-Atria of Tucker, **Bill Blasingame**-Regency House, **Sharon Shenkman**-Golden Living, Decatur
Evelyn Wallace-at home, **Clyde & Jane Wentz**-Orchard at Tucker, **Sue & Bona Puckett**-Orchard at Tucker
Orin & Barbara Mattheis-Del Mar Gardens, Smyrna

Service for the Lord's Day

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.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

GREETING AND WELCOME

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

OPENING VOLUNTARY

The Gift to Be Simple

American Shaker Tune
Arranged by Dale Wood

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Creator God, maker of all that is, all that was and all that will ever be
We come to you this day..

**Open our hearts and our spirits,
allow your presence to bubble up from within and overflow,
that we may ever sing your praise, and worship in you forever. Amen.**

†HYMN 645

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

CONFESSING OUR SIN AND RECEIVING ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVING GRACE

God of mystery, God of life, we imagine that we are capable judges of power and wisdom and goodness. We trust our own standards; we separate and categorize; we mark the performance of others. We fail to trust your power, hidden in all things. We fail to watch for you, working out your purposes. Gracious God, hidden and manifest, transform our withered imaginations until we yield the judgments we trust to a love we cannot control
(a time of silent, personal confession)

JOYFUL RESPONSE TO THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON 582

VASILE

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

†SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Grounded in grace, let us share the peace we have received from Christ with one another and with the world.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

You are invited to greet one another with a handshake, saying "The peace of Christ be with you."

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lily Powell

EPISTLE READING

Romans 8:26-39

Pew Bible, page 148 (NT)

MUSICAL OFFERING

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

William M. Runyan
Arranged by John Helgen

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 13:44-46, 51-52

Pew Bible, page 14 (NT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON

Faithful With Much

Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN 697

Take My Life

HENDON

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *The Confession of 1967*

The church confesses its faith when it bears a present witness to God's grace in Jesus Christ.

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of people. His service to people commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all the sufferings of humankind so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of women and men in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgement on people's inhumanity to people and the awful consequences of its own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human's life in society and of God's victory over all wrong.

The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

MOMENT FOR GENEROSITY

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

His Eye is on the Sparrow
Women's Ensemble

Charles Gabriel
Arranged by Tom Fettke

†Offertory Response 643

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

**All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
To Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:
The one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
The God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.**

†Prayer of Dedication

GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

†HYMN 714

God of the Fertile Fields

ITALIAN HYMN

†INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

†BENEDICTION IN WORDS

†BENEDICTION RESPONSE 648

**Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell everyone what God has done.
Let everyone who seeks the Lord rejoice and bear the name of Christ.
Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

Voluntary in D

Maurice Greene