

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 29, 2018
10:00 AM



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

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

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Siciliano
Corinna Papotto, Flute

J. S. Bach

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
Jesus proclaims, "You are the light of the world."
Thanks be to God.

†HYMN 314 *Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness* CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Almighty God, we have asked for your righteous judgment against others, but we have not acknowledged the sin in our own lives. We have worshiped you with our lips, but have dishonored you with our actions. We have prayed for you to end the suffering in our world, yet we have not practiced compassion and generosity toward others. Our religion has become the source of quarreling rather than a testimony to your grace.

Forgive our self-righteousness and give us integrity of heart, that we may shine forth the light of your salvation, through Christ our Lord.

Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

†JOYFUL RESPONSE 305 *Come Sing, O Church in Joy!* DARWALL'S 148TH

**Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!**

†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."

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.

LONGING FOR LIGHT, WE WAIT IN DARKNESS

This hymn brings together both Christ's promise that He is the Light of the world and the charge he gives in today's gospel reading that those who follow him are to be the Light of the world.

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

Lily Powell

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 58:1-9a Pew Bible, page 24 (OT)

MUSICAL OFFERING *This Little Light of Mine* Harry Dixon Loes
Chancel Choir Arranged by Howard Helvey

GOSPEL READING Matthew 5:14-16 Pew Bible, page 103 (NT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON *We Are the Light of the World* Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN 749 *Come! Live in the Light!* WE ARE CALLED

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We are God's Chosen People.

Help us, O God, to fulfill your intentions for us as people who are called for a special ministry of love and compassion for the whole world.

We are the Light of the World.

Bless us, O God, with the desire and the courage to stand us, to speak out, and to show forth your truth and your love so that others may know and honor you.

We are the Body of Christ.

Thank you, God for the wonderful gift of yourself to us, for joining us into one Body, and for endowing each one of us with special gifts that are to be used in your service. Amen.

SENIOR RECOGNITION

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.

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory *Peace Like a River* Traditional Spiritual
Youth Choir Arranged by John Coates, Jr.

†Offertory Response

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow LAST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God above ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication

MUSICAL OFFERING

This Little Light of Mine is a gospel song that came to be an anthem of the civil rights movement in the 1950's and 60's. Often mistakenly believed to have been sung on plantations during slavery, it was originally written by Harry Dixon Loes, a composer and teacher, around 1920 as a children's song. Loes, who studied at the Moody Bible Institute and the American Conservatory of Music.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

As we explore what it means to be a community of faith and listen for what God wants us, as a congregation, to be and do through our "We are Church" series we will affirm our faith with a Litany of Names for the Church.

OFFERTORY

I've Got Peace Like a River is a spiritual that has been passed by oral tradition that most certainly from the 19th century. The text is based on the first three items of the "fruit of the Spirit," listed in Galatians 5:22 ~ love, joy, and peace. John Francis Coates Jr. (1938 - 2017) was an American jazz pianist, composer and arranger.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN 853

We Are Marching in the Light of God

SIYAHAMBA

†INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

†BENEDICTION IN WORDS

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

Be Thou My Vision

Setting by Roy Brunner

40 Days of Prayer



You are invited to join St. Andrews in 40 days of prayer—to listen for God's voice, in particular in relation to the question: What is God calling our church to be and do? Brochures are available in the narthex with a list of scripture to read as part of your prayer life each of the 40 days (April 10 – May 19), as well as suggestions for different ways you might try praying during this season. If you'd like to join others in prayer, Camille will be in the sanctuary at 8:00 AM for prayer each Wednesday and you are always welcome to join our Church at Prayer group that meets in the library at 9:00 AM every Friday.

We are...

A Sermon Series on Being Church

May 6	<i>A Household of God</i>	Ephesians 4:1-16
May 13	<i>Salt of the Earth</i>	Matthew 5:1-13
May 20	<i>A Community of Disciples</i>	Acts 6:1-7

Church Staff

The Rev. Camille LeBron Powell, Pastor

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CALENDAR

Sunday, April 29th

9:00 AM Church School
10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM Safety Training
Usher Training
6:00 PM Youth Group—
Senior Banquet

Monday, April 30th

8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, May 1st

Wednesday, May 2nd

8:00 AM Prayer in the Sanctuary
with Pastor Camille

Thursday, May 3rd

Friday, May 4th

9:00 AM Church at Prayer
10:00 AM Friday Bells
7:00 PM Bridge Club
8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Saturday, May 5th

8:00 AM Lawnmower Repair

Sunday, May 6th

9:00 AM Church School
10:00 AM Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS AND 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.

Please update the office of any changes in the condition of your loved one.

Linda Weaver

John Spencer

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

Nell Foster-Atria of Tucker, **Bill Blasingame**-Regency House, **Sharon Shenkman**-North Decatur H.R.C., **Evelyn Wallace**-at home, **Clyde & Jane Wentz**-Orchard at Tucker, **Sue & Bona Puckett**-Orchard at Tucker **Orin & Barbara Mattheis**-Del Mar Gardens, Smyrna, **Joan Catlin**-at home

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers this Morning are given by Earl and Burelle Meeks to the Glory of God.

Today's Special Offering goes to at-risk children and programs for youth and young adults. Please see the insert in your bulletin for more information.

Summer Mission Trip for Youth and Adults to Summerville, SC from June 10 -15 with the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. The link to sign-up can be found on this page: <http://sapctucker.org/youth/> The cost of the trip is \$250 per person. Please register by April 30th.

Youth at SAPC The Senior Banquet is evening at 6:00 PM in Heffner Hall. All youth and the families of High School Seniors are invited to attend.

Safety First! Did you know that St. Andrews has an emergency response plan? We also have three defibrillators on our campus. It is important to be familiar with these systems so that we can take care of each other if the need arises. To learn more, plan to attend a 30 minute safety training today immediately following worship in the narthex.

Usher Training Will occur today immediately following the safety training in the narthex. We'd love to have some new people join this great team of loyal volunteers. Please come and learn all about the ins and outs of being an usher and consider signing up for this monthly service to our church.

Presbyterian Coffee Project A warm cup of coffee or tea in our hands is perhaps the most tangible daily connection we have with farmers around the world. Buying fair trade through the Presbyterian Coffee Project ensures that more of the money we spend on these products reaches the hardworking farmers who actually grow it. The SAPC spring sale is underway. Forms are in the narthex or available from Mary Evans, tmevans@bellsouth.net. Please order by May 14.

Lawnmower Repair Outreach Our youth, along with Paul Burns and Michael Bearden, will be repairing and tuning-up lawnmowers and small engines on Saturdays May 5 & 12 from 8:00AM-Noon in the parking lot by the shed. Bring your mower by for a tune-up and tell your friends and neighbors.

What's your Favorite Hymn? Write it down and drop it in the box in the narthex or email Camille (camille@sapctucker.org). Submissions due by May 13. Stay tuned...

Change for Children Every first Sunday we collect change for Change For Children, which supports The Alliance for Children Everywhere. Please bring your change next Sunday.

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Facebook— facebook.com/sapctucker/ *Like and follow us – for photos and announcements.*

Website— sapctucker.org *Church Calendar, Sunday School Page, Youth News, Sermon Archive*

Instagram— st.andrewspresbyterianatucker *Follow us- pictures and 40 Days of Prayer updates*

Weekly Email and Monthly Newsletter—office@sapctucker.org *to be added to our list.*