## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

#### St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

# SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 13, 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** 

Antiphon III

Marcel Dupré

#### †CALL TO WORSHIP

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you. Jesus proclaims, "You are the salt of the earth."

Thanks be to God.

†Hymn 401

Here in This Place

GATHER US IN

#### **CONFESSING OUR SIN**

God, we have not done what is blameless and right, nor spoken truth from the heart with love. We do not keep your word, and when we participate in gossip, our words and deeds cause pain. Forgive us by the power of your mercy, that we might stand in the goodness of Christ and walk in the light of his love.

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."

#### HEARING GOD'S WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Margaret Ellingson

**EPISTLE READING** 

Colossians 4:2-6

Pew Bible, page 190 (NT)

#### 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.

#### GATHER US IN

This hymn is a prayer to God on behalf of the congregation. It is full of images from scripture (including Salt of the Earth) describing what the church is, what we do together, and what we are called to do in 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. MUSICAL OFFERING Amazing Grace Traditional American Melody

Men's Chorus Text by John Newton Arranged by Ed Lojeski

GOSPEL READING Matthew 5:1-13 Pew Bible, page 4 (NT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

**SERMON** We Are the Salt of the Earth Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

#### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN 312 Take Us As We Are, O God ENDLESS FEAST

#### †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 Salt of the Earth.

May we be so enriched by the presence of your Spirit in our lives that we bring a special flavor of life and love to all whom we meet and with whom we live.

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.

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

Offertory Siciliano J. S. Bach

Corinna Papotto, Flute

†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** 

#### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

**†HYMN 643** Now Thank We All Our God Nun danket alle gott

†INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

**†BENEDICTION IN WORDS** 

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC Fugue on the Magnificat

Johann Pachelbel

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.

NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

The first two stanzas are based on passages from the Apocrypha (Sirach 50:22-24). The sense of peace, plenty, and gratitude conveyed in this hymn are surprising knowing that it was written during the Thirty Years' war in Germany (1618-1648). Yet, even in the midst of conflict and fear this hymn attests that we can join with others and give thanks to God.

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC The Song of Mary - Luke 1:46 - 55



#### 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.

Pray. Connect. Respond.

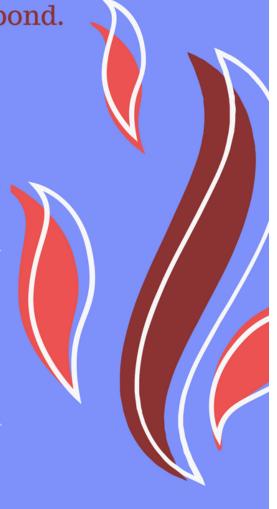
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## PENTECOST

Come celebrate Pentecost-the birth of the church and the day the gift of the Holy Spirit was first received! Following worship we will have a time to celebrate and share how the Spirit has been moving and speaking to our congregation during our 40 days of prayer.

Members of the session will share some of what we have been working on and discerning over the past couple of months. We also want to hear from you. Our question throughout this season has been: What is God calling our church to be and do? Hopefully you all have heard some answers, seen some things in a new way, or discovered God at work in places you hadn't noticed before. This will be a time to share the fruit of our individual prayers. In our time together we hope to celebrate and explore how we can connect with God, the work of the church, each other, and the world.

After the benediction next Sunday we will remain in the sanctuary for a time of reflection and sharing. Then we'll move out to the breezeway for Church birthday (Pentecost) cake and lemonade.



#### **CONNECT AT ST. ANDREWS**

**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.andrewspresbyteriantucker Follow us- pictures and 40 Days of Prayer updates

Weekly Email and Monthly Newsletter-office@sapctucker.org to be added to our list,

#### **CALENDAR**

Sunday, May 13th

9:00 AM Church School 10:00 AM Worship

Monday, May 14th

8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, May 15th

10:00 AM Presbyterian Women

Wednesday, May 16th

8:00 AM Prayer in the Sanctuary

with Pastor Camille 7:30 PM Summer Choir

Thursday, May 17th

Friday, May 18th

9:00 AM Church at Prayer 8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Saturday, May 19th

Sunday, May 20th

9:00 AM Church School 10:00 AM Worship

11:00 AM Congregational Town Hall

11:30 AM Session Meeting

## PRAYER CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

If you have a prayer concern, please complete a Prayer Request Card, and place it in the offering plate.

Linda Weaver

Jon Spencer

Earl and Burrelle Meeks on the birth of their grandson, Tarver James Meeks.

David & Kjersti Lukens on the birth of their daughter, Vivian Nora.

The Brooke family on the birth of their 1st grandchild, John V.

Elinor Bryan on the birth of her new grandson.

Congratulations to Francine Elle, who graduated from Georgia Tech on 5/5 with her Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Laura Moore upon the death of her Mother.

#### **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**

<u>Flowers This Morning</u> are given by Molly Darnell in honor of her mother, Pat Mathis, and in memory of her Grandmothers, Ruth Mathis (Tu) and Lillian Blalock (Biddy) and her Mother-in-Law, Dot Darnell.

<u>2018 Directories</u> are available—please see Thursday's email, or the May Lamplighter for a link to print a copy at home. A few copies are also available in the Narthex, if you are unable to print at home. Please let the office know if there are any updates or changes.

**Today's Special Offering** We join with Presbyterian Churches in Georgia in the Mother's Day Offering for the Presbyterian Homes of GA Caring Hands Fund that provides exceptional care to more than 400 older residents (mostly widows) who have simply outlived their savings as they live their remaining years in peace and dignity.

<u>Presbyterian Coffee Project</u> Please support the small farmers who grow the tea and coffee we enjoy by placing orders TODAY. Brochures are in the narthex or contact Mary Evans, tmevans@bellsouth.net, 770-493-9489.

<u>Combined Sunday School Class</u> This week and next, the Combined Adult/Youth/ Middle School class will explore what we believe by studying our Presbyterian Creeds and Confessions. Come to the Youth room at 9:00 Sunday mornings for discussion of how the church has proclaimed what it believes in the past and how we do that today.

<u>Summer Choir</u> Here are three things you need to know about joining summer choir:

- 1. It's fun! Make new friends while making music.
- 2. It's easy! Learn four simple songs to sing in June and July with just one rehearsal. No Latin we promise! Then simply show up at warmups Sunday morning!
- 3. You'll get to wear red and be a worship leader for Pentecost, AND sing *Be Thou My Vision* as St. Andrews seeks to discern God's plan for our congregation.

Please join us at rehearsal Wednesday night, May 16, 7:30-9:00 in the Choir Room. Contact Ed Weaver, ejweaver@bellsouth.net, with any questions.

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

#### 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

#### **CHURCH STAFF**

The Rev. Camille LeBron Powell, Pastor
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