

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 22, 2018
10:00 AM



This is Our Story, This is Our Song

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

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

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella*

Paul Laubengayer

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to our God a new song.
God has done marvelous things!
Make a joyful noise to the Lord!
Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.
Let the sea roar and all that fills it.
Let the world and its people sing together for joy!

†HYMN 143

Angles from the Realms of Glory

REGENT SQUARE

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Holy God, you have given us everything; we have failed to respond with gratitude. In Jesus Christ, you have given us your Word; we answer with empty promises and lies. In Jesus Christ, you have given us your light; we try to hide ourselves from your glory. In Jesus Christ, you have given us your life; even this precious gift we have not received. Have mercy on us, O God; forgive us. In Jesus Christ, give us the faith and power to become what you created us to be: beloved children, full of grace and truth.

Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

†JOYFUL RESPONSE

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

IN DULCI JUBILO

**Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
Now ye need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all to gain the everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!**

†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.

ANGELS FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY

James Montgomery's text is remarkable for its organization as a series of directions to diverse constituencies: angels, shepherds, sages, and all creation. The fourth stanza was altered from Montgomery's original text to include a doxology (praise to God), as was the custom for ending hymns in that time period.

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

Paul Ellingson

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 98

Pew Bible, page 521 (OT)

MUSICAL OFFERING

GOSPEL READING John 1:1-18

Pew Bible, page 86 (NT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON *He Comes to Make His Blessings Flow* Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN 266

Joy to the World

RICHMOND

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

At St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, we believe in:

The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

Being Christ-centered

The Bible's being the core of our belief

Doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with our God

Being an open and safe place for confession and forgiveness

Being involved in the community, locally and beyond

Being welcoming and inclusive

Caring for creation

We believe that the church is the people.

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

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

O Little Town of Bethlehem

David Cherwien

†Offertory Response 144

In the Bleak Midwinter

CRANHAM

What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man, I would do my part;
Yet what can I give him: give him my heart.

†Prayer of Dedication

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
During the month of May our intergenerational Sunday school class studied Presbyterian creeds and confessions. They explored what the authors were addressing and struggled with what to agree on and how to say it. The members of the class wrote this affirmation of faith for St. Andrews based on scripture, our Reformed heritage, and our congregation.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN 158

Born in the Night, Mary's Child

MARY'S CHILD

†INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

†BENEDICTION IN WORDS

†BENEDICTION IN SONG

ASSURANCE

**This is our story; this is our song, praising our Savior all the day long;
This is our story; this is our song, praising our Savior all the day long.**

**BORN IN THE NIGHT
MARY'S CHILD**
Introduced in 1958, this song was one of the early and successful efforts to express the Christian message in non-churchy language and music that reflected contemporary experience.

BENEDICTION IN SONG
All summer we will respond to the benediction by singing this adapted chorus from the beloved hymn, *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!*

ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN

Summer Events

June & July Lemonade in the Shade
Every Sunday after the 10 am Worship Service

Aug.

- 5 Blessing of the Backpacks 10 am
- 11 Back-to-School Carnival 10 am
- 26 Coro Voci Concert 3 pm

Sept.

- 9 Rally Day: Sunday School Kick-off 9 am
- 23 Homecoming BBQ

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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.andrewspresbyteriantucker *Follow us- pictures and updates*

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

CALENDAR

Sunday, July 22nd

10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM Lemonade in the Shade

Monday, July 23rd

8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, July 24th

Wednesday, July 25th

Thursday, July 26th

Friday, July 27th

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

Saturday, July 28th

Sunday, July 29th

10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM Lemonade in the Shade

PRAYER CONCERNS AND

CELEBRATIONS

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

Please let the office know of any changes in the status of your loved one.

The Family of Joan Catlin

The Family of Nell Foster

Elena Weaver

Linda Weaver

William Ashby (Surgery 7/13)

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

Nell Foster-Atria of Tucker,
Bill Blasingame-Regency House,
Sharon Shenkman-North Decatur HRC, **Evelyn Wallace**-at home,
Clyde & Jane Wentz-Orchard at Tucker, **Sue & Bona Puckett**-Orchard at Tucker **Orin & Barbara Mattheis**-Regency House

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

Lemonade in the Shade - Join us today after worship for lemonade in the courtyard.

Community Mission Service Opportunity During July, St. Andrews will support the NETWorks Cooperative Ministry (NETWorks) in Tucker as they hold their annual Good Neighbor Back 2 School Shop. In the Back 2 School Shop, your donated, new school supplies are offered to parents at greatly reduced prices, allowing for a dignified way to provide for their families. Drop off boxes for donations (and lists of needed school supplies) will be placed in the Narthex through Sunday, July 22. Additionally, the Back to School Shop will run July 28-29 (Sat: 10am-4pm, Sun: 1-4 PM) at First Baptist Church in Tucker. You can also volunteer to work at the shop by calling 770-939-6454. Contact Mike Bearden, 404-660-8234 or michaelsbearden@bellsouth.net with any questions.

The Nominating Committee is currently in the process of identifying and nominating a slate of elder and deacon candidates to present to the congregation later this fall. Members of the congregation who wish to suggest someone (either self or another member) for these positions should complete the Nominating Committee Suggestion Card found in the pews and return it in the offering plate.

Carnival! Saturday, August 11, 10 AM - 1 PM We welcome the Tucker community to our front lawn, as we celebrate the start of a new school year with our neighbors at our annual free Back to School Carnival. Bounce house, petting zoo, face painting, free lunch...and much more! Sign up at the link below for a shift to help. Invite your friends to join us! For more information, contact Paige McKay Kubik, 404-895-4210. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b44acad2ba46-sapc1>

Opportunities for Presbytery Service If you would like to serve on a committee for the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, opportunities abound. See their website below for more information and the application form. There are committees in many areas- everything from grant-writing, to personnel, and operations; complete descriptions are also available on their website. <http://atpcusa.org/committees.html>

CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Camille LeBron Powell, Pastor
John McCrosky, Director of Children and Youth Ministries
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