SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 26, 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 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing Carl G. Gläzer Arranged by Anna Laura Page

INTROIT Sing Me to Heaven Daniel Gawthrop

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, you who are sinners searching for wholeness.

Come, you for whom law-keeping is death.

Come, you who cannot save yourselves.

God who is Three-in-One has done what neither the law nor we could do.

God the life-giver has kept the law for us;

God the self-giver has taken up the cross for us;

God the love-giver renews our souls.

Come; let us worship the triune God.

†HYMN 625 How Great Thou Art HOW GREAT THOU ART

CONFESSING OUR SIN

God of justice and mercy, we confess that we disobey your will. We show neither justice nor mercy to others. Christ our Savior, love incarnate, we confess that we take your love for granted. We do not give of ourselves, nor do we rejoice in all the blessings we receive. Holy Spirit, power and breath, we confess that we block your movement. We do not live holy lives of sacrificial love.

Gracious Trinity, forgive us and grant us your peace. Help us to turn from our sins so that we may love you by joyfully caring for others.

Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

†JOYFUL RESPONSE 39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning, new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

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.

OPENING VOLUNTARY The melody for this piece of music is from the familiar hymn tune AZMON.

INTROIT
We welcome Coro Voci
with us in worship this
morning.

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

TIME OF SILENCE

The time of silence allows you to speak or listen to God as you best need this morning.

†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

Mary Evans

EPISTLE READING

Romans 5:1-11

Pew Bible, page 145 (NT)

MUSICAL OFFERING

If You Love Me

René Clausen

EPISTLE READING

Galatians 2:15-21

Pew Bible, page 177 (NT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON

Here In the Love of Christ I Stand Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN

In Christ Alone

Keith Getty & Stuart Townsend

Words and Music are printed on the next page.

†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.

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

Ubi Caritas

Richard Burchard

Where Charity and love are, God is there. We are gathered as one by Christ's love. Let us rejoice and be glad. And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

†Prayer of Dedication

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

The text for this morning's Musical Offering is inspired by chapter 14 verses 15-16 of John's Gospel.

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.

OFFERTORY

"Ubi Caritas" is an ancient hymn of the Western church; the words are believed to have originated with early Christian gatherings before the advent of the Mass. The hymn has long been used as an antiphon for the washing of feet - as Christ did His disciples - at the service on Maundy Thursday. "Maundy" is a corruption of the Latin, mandatum, meaning a command; this refers to Christ's command to the disciples to love one another in the same manner that Christ loved them.

GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

†HYMN 157

I Danced in the Morning

LORD OF THE DANCE

†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.

I DANCED IN THE MORN-

ING

Based on the traditional Shaker tune *Simple Gifts*, this hymn affirms what could be called a Dance of Life in opposition to a Dance of Death popular in the late Middle Ages onward.

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!



CALENDAR

Sunday, August 26th

10:00 AM Worship 11:30 AM Session Meeting 3:00 PM Coro Voci Concert

Monday, August 27th

8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, August 28th

Wednesday, August 29th

Thursday, August 30th

Friday, August 31st

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

Saturday, August 25th

Sunday, September 1st

10:00 AM Worship

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.

Members of the church of the New Covenant as they discern their future.

Michelle Wilson, Marcia Noble's daughter

David and Kjersti Lukens on the death of their daughter, Vivian.

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

Bill Blasingame-Regency House, Sharon Shenkman-North Decatur HRC, Evelyn Wallace-at home, Clyde & Jane Wentz-The Phoenix at Tucker, Sue & Bona Puckett-The Phoenix at Tucker Orin & Barbara Mattheis-Regency House, Linda Weaver Manor Care, Decatur

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 Today</u> are given by the Ellingson Family in memory of Margaret's mother, Bruce Flanders Whittier, 8/29/1926-10/17/2007.

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.

<u>Clifton Sanctuaries Today, 4:30 PM</u> St. Andrews is going to serve dinner at Clifton Sanctuary Ministries. Contact Phyllis Bearden 404-580-8679 with any questions.

<u>Coro Voci Concert</u> Coro Voci is a group of musicians from Atlanta, GA, directed by Ed Weaver who meet to share their love of music. Their next performance will take place at St. Andrews today at 3:00 pm in the sanctuary, with a reception following in Heffner Hall. This performance has the theme of Languages of Love.

Presbyterian Women All St. Andrews women are invited to attend the 2018-2019 Bible study, *God's Promise: I Am with You*, meeting the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10:00 AM in the Meeting Room, September-May. After Bible Study, there will be time for fellowship and refreshments. For more information about the Presbyterian Women, please contact Jackie Harper, 770-934-3463. To order a study book, contact Mary O'Brien, 770-939-2412.

<u>Save the Date</u> Sunday, September 9th at 9:00 AM, St. Andrews will hold our Rally Day. Come for a light breakfast, then children will meet their Sunday School teachers and head off to class. Adults will have an opportunity to learn about class offerings for the fall.

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 updates*

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

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