

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 9, 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 *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship* Setting by Dale Wood

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Our Merciful God, Maker of us all, pleads the cause of the poor and afflicted.
Open our Hearts to demonstrate God's Grace through Jesus Christ our Lord.

†HYMN 24 *God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens* HOLY MANNA

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Almighty and compassionate God, every day, in our desire to attain our wants, avoid discomfort, and shun those we do not know or love, we show ourselves to be unworthy of your gifts of life. Of this we are sorely aware, and we ask your power to renew us in body and spirit, that we will be able, through your help, to walk in the way you intend for us.
Forgive us and lead us.

Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession.

CHORAL PETITION 62 *Love the Lord Your God* GREAT COMMANDMENT

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

†JOYFUL RESPONSE 39 *The Lord Is God* AZMON

The Lord is God, the Lord alone! Give honor, thanks, and praise
To God, the maker of all things and giver of our days.

With all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and might,
O people, love the Lord your God, the source of truth and light.

†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.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

This morning's Opening Voluntary was first printed in *The Columbian Harmony* in 1825, it is based on the hymn tune HOLY MANNA.

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

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

Marsha Ashby

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING Micah 6:1-8

Pew Bible, page 816 (OT)

MUSICAL OFFERING *The Journey Is Our Home*

Allen Pote

GOSPEL READING Mark 7:24-30

Pew Bible, page 40 (NT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON *Crumbs from Your Table* Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN

She Came to Jesus

SLANE

She came to Jesus from outside the fold —
Canaanite woman! Persistent and bold!
Looking to Jesus, she wanted to see
One who would help her and set her child free.
Claiming a blessing, a touch of God's grace,
She knew God's love was not bounded by place.
Jesus, you listened, debated — then healed —
For in her asking, her faith was revealed.
God, you still bless those who seek you in prayer.
You welcome dreamers who faithfully dare.
In Christ, now risen, your mercy extends:
Those on the outside are welcomed as friends.

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *The Confession of Belbar*

We believe in God—the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church.
We believe the church is one worldwide communion of saints, called from the entire human family.
We believe the church is the single community of believers, reconciled with God and with one another.
We believe that through the working of God's Spirit, unity is a binding force and also that we must seek this unity, which must become visible to the world.
We believe that the sin of division, separation and hatred between people and groups has been conquered by Christ.
We commit ourselves to protecting the unity of the church universal.
We pledge to make this unity active in all of our words, thoughts and deeds.

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

Variation on BUNESSAN

Charles Calahan

SHE CAME TO JESUS

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, a Presbyterian pastor, has been writing hymns since 1998. She often adapts passages of scripture to well-known hymn tunes, which is the case with this one and the Gospel reading sung to the tune from *Be Thou My Vision*. Many of her hymn texts are written in response to natural disasters and major world news.

Copyright © 2002 "Songs of Grace: New Hymns for God and Neighbor" by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette (Upper Room Books).

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Confession of Belbar is a powerful confession of Christian faith that emerged in South Africa during the years of Apartheid. Named for the city where it was first adopted, it is a statement that focuses on the themes of Unity, Reconciliation, and Justice. Churches around the globe have recognized the power and theological insight of *Belbar* as an expression of Scriptural truth for their own contexts. In 2016 the 222nd General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) formally adopted the confession into our *The Book of Confessions*.

†Offertory Response 608

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAISE GOD

†Prayer of Dedication

GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

†HYMN 722

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

CANONBURY

†INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

†BENEDICTION IN WORDS

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

Voluntary in D

Maurice Greene

LORD, SPEAK TO ME THAT I MAY SPEAK
Francis Havergal, author of *Take My Life*, wrote this text as a poem entitled “A Worker’s Prayer.” Each stanza is a request that God will empower the people to live and serve as Christ’s own.



SAVE THE DATE
WEDNESDAYS THIS FALL
SUPPER AND PROGRAMS
FOR ALL AGES

OCTOBER 3 10 17 24 | NOVEMBER 28 | DECEMBER 5 12 19

CALENDAR

Sunday, September 9th

9:00 AM Rally Day Breakfast
10:00 AM Worship
3:30 PM Youth Pool Party

Monday, September 10th

8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, September 11th

Wednesday, September 12th

Thursday, September 13th

Friday, September 14th

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

Saturday, September 15th

Sunday, September 16th

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship
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. 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 go through the process of closing their church.

Michelle Wilson, Marcia Noble's daughter

Congratulations to Wayne and Linda Fuller as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this week.

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

Flowers Today are given by Caroline Fuller in honor of Wayne and Linda Fuller's 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Youth Pool Party Today, 3:30-6:30 PM All 6th-12th graders are invited to the Burns' house for a pool party. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share, sunscreen, swimwear, a towel, and a friend. (4221 Bonaparte Ct. Tucker, 30084) Contact John McCrosky with any questions.

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. 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. Our first meeting this fall will be September 18th.

Homecoming BBQ Sunday, September 23rd after worship, it's an annual St. Andrews tradition...a shared meal of delicious pork and chicken, prepared by SAPC grill masters in our own barbecue pit. Join your church family around the table in Heffner Hall for fellowship and great food. Bring your favorite dessert or cook-out side to share. If you'd like to volunteer to help, contact Paige McKay Kubik at paigemk@gmail.com.

St. Andrews School Fall Fundraiser This year there will be no candy or wrapping paper to buy and no event to attend. The money raised will be used for improvements to the building and needed materials for the preschool. If you would like to participate, you may place your donation in the offering plate; checks may be made out to St. Andrews School or to SAPC, and include SAS Fundraiser in the memo line.

Super Heroes vs. Villains 5K Join us on October 13, for this fun pet-friendly, stroller-friendly walk/run, which benefits our youth missions. To sign up: www.ericffitlab.com.

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

Instagram- [st.andrewspresbyteriantucker](https://www.instagram.com/standrewspresbyteriantucker/) 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
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Ann McKinney, Director, St. Andrews School
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