

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
OCTOBER 7, 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 *In Christ There Is No East or West* Dale Wood

†CALL TO WORSHIP

From north and south, from east and west, we come:

God's people are called to the Table where simple grace nourishes us.

From down the street to across town, from single households to apartment dwellers:

God's people are called to community, where we live and serve one another.

From every class, every race, every status; from little ones with sippy cups to elders with overflowing hearts:

God's people are called to witness to God's hope, to offer peace to a shattered world.

†HYMN 494 *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts* QUEBEC

CONFESSING OUR SIN

They may not be beaten down or lying by the road, but there are people we pass by, Watching God. Some are family and friends we take so much for granted we cannot see how we have stripped them of our love and compassion.

Others are neighbors: who have been left half-dead by crushing work; who have fallen into the hands of despair; who have been abandoned by all those who walked on by them.

Many are strangers, people we don't know, but quickly judge: they are weak, or poor, or the enemy or because they remind us of whom we once were, or could become.

Pour out your justice on us, rather than your judgment, that we would be moved with pity, and spurred to action; that we would hear of the hope that is ours, and share it with our sisters and brothers; that we would shower mercy on all we meet, even as we have received forgiveness for our sins through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession.

CHORAL PETITION 698 *Take, O Take Me as I Am* TAKE ME AS I AM

**Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;
Set your seal upon my heart and live in 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

This morning's Opening Voluntary is based on the tune MCKEE by Harry Burleigh (1866 - 1949). Refer to Hymn 317.

TIME OF SILENCE

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

CHORAL PETITION

Following a time for silent confession the congregation will join in a sung prayer of petition. *Take, O Take Me as I Am* is a quiet song of dedication that can be a way for worshippers to offer themselves to God.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

†**JOYFUL RESPONSE 318** *In Christ There Is No East or West*

ST. PETER

†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

David McCowen

EPISTLE READING

Romans 15:4-13

Pew Bible, page 153 (NT)

MUSICAL OFFERING

Let Us Break Bread Together

Traditional Spiritual
Arranged by John Ness Beck

GOSPEL READING

Mark 12:28-34

Pew Bible, page 46 (NT)

CHILDREN’S LESSON

SERMON

Won’t You Be My Neighbor? Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

†**HYMN 769**

For Everyone Born

FOR EVERYONE BORN

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD’S CHURCH, COMMUNITY & WORLD

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory

In Christ There Is No East or West

C. S. Lang

†Offertory Response 717

For the Life That You Have Given

PLEADING SAVIOR

**For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,
With these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:
Here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring.
Give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.**

†Prayer of Dedication

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation 506

Look Who Gathers at Christ’s Table!

COPELAND

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and the Lord’s Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

FOR EVERYONE BORN

This hymn captures the vision for kind of neighborhood in which God intends for us to live. It is neighborhood where God’s hospitality and love transcend the barriers erected by human society. It also affirms that we who have been created in God’s image are called to live in ways that reflect our Creator’s values: justice and joy, compassion and peace.

OFFERTORY

Based on the tune ST. PETER by Alexander Reinagle (1799 - 1877) *Refer to Hymn #318*

LOOK WHO GATHERS AT CHRIST’S TABLE

Jesus’ practice of sharing table fellowship with people excluded by the religious codes called his teachings into question. This hymn celebrates Christ’s radical hospitality and welcome of all neighbors. It is appropriate that this hymn serve as an invitation to the Lord’s table

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.

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

Communion of the People

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

†HYMN 766

The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound

CANONBURY

†INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

†BENEDICTION IN WORDS

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC 745

Now Go in Joy

JUNKANOO

COMMUNION

In the act of remembering that is the Lord's Supper, we receive and trust the love of Christ present to us and to the world. Through it, we are renewed and empowered to be the church, the body of Christ, in the world.

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is not just for Presbyterians or church members. All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. Access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. Even one who doubts or whose trust is wavering may receive the bread and cup in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.

All are invited to the Lord's Table to receive Communion, which is served by intinction today. Congregants proceed via the center aisle to receive the bread (gluten-free bread is available at the center station), which they then dip into the chalice of nonalcoholic grape juice. Worshipers return to their pews by the side aisles.

Superheroes vs. Villains 5K

POW!

Fun Run/Walk

Saturday, October 13th

ZAP!

PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR YOUTH MISSIONS

CALENDAR

Sunday, October 7th

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship
4:00 PM Chancel Bells
5:00 PM Youth Choir
6:00 PM Youth Group/Dinner

Monday, October 8th

8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, October 9th

Wednesday, October 10th

5:45 PM Big Table
7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 11th

Friday, October 12th

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

Saturday, October 13th

Heroes & Villains 5k:
Youth Fundraiser

Sunday, October 14th

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship
11:15 AM Diaconate Meeting
4:00 PM Chancel Bells
5:00 PM Youth Choir
6:00 PM Youth Group/Dinner

PRAYER CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

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

The Family of Bill Blasingame

Congratulations to Samantha & Ryan Downton on the birth of their son, Cooper Patrick Downton, and to proud Grandma Debbie Brillings.

Jon Spencer

Members of the church of the New Covenant as they go through the process of closing their church.

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

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 Klara Smith in honor of her Mother, Anny Moser.

Youth News Youth Choir will meet in the choir room at 5:00 PM today. Youth group is at 6:00 PM. To sign to bring dinner for youth suppers: <https://goo.gl/eEJeV4>

Big Table: Wednesdays Together at St. Andrews Join us for intergenerational dinner, fellowship, and learning. All ages are welcome. Dinner will be provided by local restaurants for a cost of \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids age 5-12, and free for kids under 5. Family max for dinner is \$20. You can register online with the link at sapctucker.org, or by contacting the office. Reservations are not required, but they are helpful. The schedule for the evening is 5:45-6:20 Dinner served, 6:20-6:35 Fellowship Activity, 6:35-7:30 Programs for children, youth, and adults, childcare for infants and toddlers.

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 to help on race day: <http://signup.com/go/UbYrcnM>. To sign up to run: www.ericfitlab.com.

Out of Office Camille will be out of the office from October 9-11 for service to the larger church. If you have any pastoral concerns or questions while Camille is away, please contact your deacon or the church office.

From Caring for Creation- DeKalb County is sponsoring a Household Hazardous Waste Event Saturday, October 20, 8 AM - Noon at the Sanitation Central Transfer Station, 3720 Leroy Scott Drive, Decatur. For more information, please see their website: www.dekalbcountyga.gov/sanitation/

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

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