

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 30, 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

Vater
Our Father in Heaven

Bach

†CALL TO WORSHIP

We are God's work of art—
each one of us a precious gem, a marvelous melody, a potter's delight.
**We are God's handiwork— woven together in love, shaped with
infinite compassion, painted with incredible beauty.**

We are the church of Jesus Christ—
diverse in human qualities, but united in our call to love God with all our heart,
mind, soul, and strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

**We are the Body of Christ— living in his truth, sharing his peace, carry-
ing his hope, embodying his love, throughout the world he loved so
much.**

We are here to be reminded once more who we are,
whose we are and what our lives are about.

**We are here to be uplifted, renewed and empowered to live out the mira-
cle of who we are, by the power of God working in and among us.**

We open ourselves to God, who makes all things new.

†HYMN 32

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

CONFESSING OUR SIN

**God, you know us inside out, when we lie down and when we rise. Your
knowledge is so complete and wonderful, we can never comprehend it. But
that doesn't stop us from believing we have it all figured out. Forgive our
arrogance and misplaced pride. Forgive us when we act as if you cannot see,
when we restrict your love to our understanding, and when we claim that
your presence is just for some. God, you look on us with love, no matter who
we are or where we have been. We count blessings like grains of sand, and
when we come to the end, still we will be with you. Silence in us any voice
but your own, and guide us as we walk your way.**

Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession.

CHORAL PETITION 698 *Take, O Take Me as I Am* GREAT COMMANDMENT

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

*Choirs Dedication
Sunday*

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 pre-
cedes an element of the
service, please rise in body
or spirit, as able.

I SING THE MIGHTY POW-
ER OF GOD

Based on the creation ac-
counts in the opening chap-
ters of Genesis, this hymn
also includes allusions to the
Psalms (33:5, 107:25, 139:7-
10, and 148:8). The tune
illuminate the words from
scripture as we praise God
for creation.

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 dedi-
cation that can be a way for
worshippers to offer them-
selves to God.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

†JOYFUL RESPONSE

Hear

NETTLETON

†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

Lily Powell

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 1:26-31

Pew Bible, page 1-2 (OT)

MUSICAL OFFERING

Fill Us With Your Love

Ghanaian Folk Song

Text: Tom Colvin

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Pew Bible, page 656 (OT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON

I Like You Just the Way You Are Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN 759

O, God, We Bear the Imprint

TODOS LOS COLORES

†LITANY OF DEDICATION

We gather this day as children of a God who loves to hear the people sing,

We thank you God for the gift of praise.

Our Lord Jesus knew and loved the Psalms, and sang with his disciples even on the night on which he was betrayed.

We thank you God for the gift of song.

The Psalmists, the church founders, the Reformers, and members of the church today have all given expression to their faith through Psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs.

We thank you God for the heritage of expressing our faith in song.

We challenge you, as our music and worship leadership, that with God's help, you use your gifts to lead us in the holy service of worship to God.

Choirs: *We will take up our ministries with the conviction that, "great is the Lord and most worthy of praise."*

We challenge you as a congregation to use your voices to sing your faith with all your heart.

We will sing our song to God as he desires.

As we gather here each Lord's Day, may we rise above the pressures of a world that can mute our song, and find our hearts and voices lifted again to the God who deserves our praise and desires to hear us.

We pray that in our songs we may praise God for God's goodness.

We seek to express our faith, our fears and our needs in unified voice.

May all our songs delight our Lord, give expression to our hearts, profess our faith, direct our children and youth, and draw all to the new song God has placed in our hearts. To God alone be all glory.

Amen.

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

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.

O GOD, WE BEAR THE IMPRINT

This hymn comes from a time when the author was just beginning to learn the cost of racism, particularly related to her work with the anti-apartheid movement in New Zealand in the 1980s. Grounded in the truth that all are created in God's image (Genesis 1:26-27), this hymn lifts up the interconnectedness of humanity.

LITANY OF DEDICATION

Today in worship we celebrate and give thanks for the gifts God has given that our musicians share with us as they lead us in worship each week. With this litany we dedicate the musical gifts back to God and pray that all our singing, ringing, and playing, give glory to God.

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 *Father* Wood

†**Offertory Response 717**
For the Life That You Have Given PLEADING SAVIOR

†**Prayer of Dedication**

GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

†**HYMN 757** *We Are All Called to Be Disciples* HALL

†**INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP**

†**BENEDICTION IN WORDS**

†**BENEDICTION IN MUSIC 745** KINGSFOLD

**Now go in joy to spread the Word till all people have heard:
God embraces all!
Follow, then, the disciples' call:
tend your neighbors with loving care in daily work and prayer.
God's own grace empower your spirit. Amen!**

OFFERTORY

NOW GO IN JOY

This hymn captures the vision for the kind of neighborhood in which God intends for us to live. It is a 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.

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CALENDAR

Sunday, September 30th

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM Education Committee
5:00 PM Youth Choir
6:00 PM Youth Group

Monday, October 1st

8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, October 2nd

Wednesday, October 3rd

7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 4th

Friday, October 5th

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

Saturday, October 6th

Sunday, October 7th

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

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 Pat Baker in honor of Jack and Louisa Baker.

Youth Youth Choir will meet in the choir room after worship today. Youth group is serving dinner at Clifton Sanctuaries. We will take the church bus down to Clifton at 4:00 this afternoon.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is organizing a response to Hurricane Florence that will help sustain life and restore hope in the coming days. The PDA has been in communication with mid councils (Synods) and pastors in the Carolinas to provide resources and guidance, working with our partners to meet immediate needs and support long-term recovery. Text "PDA" to 20222 to give \$10 to the General Relief account. The code for flood relief due to Hurricane Francis is: DR000194. Donate online: <https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000169/> To donate by phone, call 800-872-3283. To send a check, please designate where you want your gift to go on the memo line and mail to: Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)P.O. Box 643700 Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

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.ericffitlab.com.

Dr. Mary Mikhael, the first woman to become President of a seminary in the Middle East, a sought-after lecturer and writer of countless articles related to theology and the position of women in the church and author of the 2010 Presbyterian Women's Bible study, Joshua: A Journey of Faith will visit Atlanta in October in her role as a PC(USA) International Peacemaker. RSVP to Karen Turney, kt2654@gmail.com for either event. You are invited to meet her:

Saturday, October 6, 6:00 p.m. - Shallowford Presbyterian Church Youth Center. Bring a dish to share at the potluck dinner. RSVP to Karen Turney, kt2654@gmail.com.

Monday, October 8, 12:15 pm, Columbia Theological Seminary, Ellis Room in Richards Center; \$8.25 lunch - RSVP to Karen Turney, kt2654@gmail.com.

Recycling Opportunity Caring for Creation is offering an opportunity to recycle your old printer cartridges. Please look for the recycle box in the narthex on September 30 through October 7.

Save the Date for our annual Kirking of the Tartans in worship and shortbread reception on October 28th.

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
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