# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

## EPIPHANY JANUARY 6, 2019 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** *O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright* Dietrich Buxtehude Chorale by Phillip Nicolai(1599)

#### †CALL TO WORSHIP

Although the beckoning star heeded by wise travelers long ago no longer leads the way,

The manger-born Christ is still to be found and followed.

We are not brought to our knees in surprise as were those journeyers of old,

Yet our desire to worship can be as deep as theirs.

And though we do not bear gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh,

We offer ourselves and what we have.

The story continues. The good news abounds. There is a living Christ to discover and worship and serve.

Let us rejoice and be glad!

†HYMN 744

Arise, Your Light is Come!

FESTAL SONG

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

God, you placed a star in the sky to draw wise folk to the place of Christ's nativity. There you revealed the mystery of your eternal purpose for all humanity: God made flesh, born of Mary, opening to all the world the promise you made to Abraham and Sarah. Empower your church to be as the light of the star, that we may draw the world to the glory of Christ, our Lord, through whom we pray. Amen.

## †SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The angels praised God saying: "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!" In the name of the Prince of Peace who has come, let us share the peace of 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

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 60:1-6

Pew Bible, page 649(OT)

## 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 Refer to hymn 827.

## ARISE, YOUR LIGHT IS COME!

The imagery in this hymn is drawn from the words of the prophet Isaiah, primarily from chapters 60 & 61. The prophet's words are important for us, in part, because they form the basis of Jesus' first sermon (Luke 4:16-30). Because these words shaped Jesus' ministry they should also shape our lives as followers.

# 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.

#### SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

After each scripture reading the reader will say, "The Word of the Lord." All are invited to respond, "Thanks be to God." MUSICAL OFFERING

GOSPEL READING Matthew 2:1-12 Pew Bible, page 1(NT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

**SERMON** Home By Another Way Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN 150 As with Gladness Men of Old DIX

#### †COMMISSIONING OF PAT BAKER

Do you, members of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, confirm the call of God to Pat as Director of Older Adult and Caregiver Ministries in the service of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Will you support and encourage her in this ministry?

We will.

# SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD'S CHURCH, COMMUNITY & WORLD OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Variation on CRANHAM Malcom Archer

†Offertory Response What Can I Give Him

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 I can I give him: give my heart.

†Prayer of Dedication

**COMMUNION** 

Invitation to the Lord's Table

## 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.

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

#### COMMISSIONING

Today we commission Pat Baker in her ministry at St. Andrews as Director of Older Adult and Caregiver Ministries.

#### 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 Iesus 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 will be served in the pews. Gluten-Free wafers are on the trays with the bread.

## GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

BENEDICTION IN WORDS

**†BENEDICTION IN MUSIC 853** We Are Marching in the Light of God SIYAHAMBA

## **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



#### **CALENDAR**

## Sunday, January 6th

9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship

11:00 AM Advent Clean-up

CNC Lunch (Youth Room)

4:00 PM Chancel Bells

#### Monday, January 7th

12:00 PM 39ers at Bambinelli's 8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, January 8th

Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> 7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 10th

## Friday, January 11th

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

Saturday, January 12th

### Sunday, January 13th

9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship

11:15 AM Diaconate Meeting

4:00 PM Chancel Bells

6:00 PM Youth at Good Shepherd

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# PRAYER CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

If you have a prayer concern, please complete a Prayer Request Card, and place it in the offering plate. Please update the office about any changes in the condition of your loved ones.

Jeff Bunce

Earl Meeks

Priscilla Barnett

# 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.

## **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**

The Gospel Reading Project aims to get people reading their Bibles and to build friendships among our congregation's members. One way we hope to reach these goals is through reading groups. These groups will meet weekly for no more than 1 hour, be self–directed, and have a host to help convene the group. Resource materials are now available for the second section in the narthex, church office, and electronically.

<u>Filming in Heffner Hall</u> A film company has contracted with St. Andrews to shoot in Heffner Hall this week. They will be shooting on January 7 and cleaning up January 8th. They have also rented our parking lots all day January 7-8, with limited parking for Church parking and activities will not be effected on Sunday, January 6th, with the exception of <u>no access to Heffner Hall today</u>. Please contact a staff member or the church office with any questions.

Many Hands Make Light Work... it's true! Please lend us your hands following Worship today. Join the Worship Ministry team and help us pack our Advent decorations, along with the Chrismon tree, and move it all back into storage. Heartfelt thanks to everyone who has helped in Worship during this Advent season, and throughout the year. God bless you all.

<u>39ers</u> The 39ers are a group of folks who like to meet for fellowship once a month at local restaurants. They are meeting this Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at Bambinelli's at noon. (3202 Northlake Pkwy NE, Atlanta, GA 30345) Everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

<u>Please Mark Your Calendars</u> and plan to attend our annual congregational meeting on January 27, after worship.

<u>Flowers for Worship</u> Please contact Margaret Ellingson if you would like to provide flowers on an upcoming Sunday for Worship. Flowers can be from the store or from your yard, 770-891-0858.

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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,