### SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

#### St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

# THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY JANUARY 27, 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

Vater unser im Himmelreich (Our Father in Heaven) J. S. Bach

†CALL TO WORSHIP

God built the heavens, the earth, and everything in them.

God calls us to be builders as well.

God calls us to build our lives:

to restore broken places and continue to grow.

God calls us to build our faith:

to study the Word and ponder its interpretation.

God calls us to build our community:

to build bridges of understanding and systems of justice.

God calls us to build history by fulfilling the promises of Scripture:

to preach the good news of God's love and liberation for all people.

†HYMN 465

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Converse

#### **CONFESSING OUR SIN**

Merciful God, whose ways are good and true, we confess that we have not lived as Christ has called us to live. We have shut our eyes to evils our world allows. We have sealed our ears from the cries of the suffering whose pain we abide. We have clung to the hostility we harbor against one another and hardened our hearts to the creative power of love.

Open our eyes to see injustice in our world. Give us courage to resist the powers that oppress the poor. Open our ears to hear the cry of the needy. Teach us generosity for sharing the abundance of your creation. Open our minds to imagine an end to human strife. Grant us wisdom to pursue the ways of peace. Open our hearts to love our neighbors and our enemies near and far. Give us desire to embody the compassion of Christ. For the sake of the world, in the name of Christ we pray.

Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession.

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS** 

†JOYFUL RESPONSE 444 Forgive our Sins as We Forgive

DETROIT

"Forgive our sins as we forgive," you taught us, Lord, to pray, But you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say. Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease.

Then, by your mercy reconciled, our lives will spread your peace.

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.

WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN IESUS

This song celebrates our opportunity to pray. Remembering words from the letter to the Hebrews we sing "Jesus knows our every weakness" and express joy in praying.

#### 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

Carol Gordon

**EPISTLE READING** 

Hebrews 4:14-16

Pew Bible, page 207(NT)

MUSICAL OFFERING

*Kittery* 

William Billings

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 6:1-15

Pew Bible, page 5(NT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

**SERMON** 

What's Your Motivation?

Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

†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.

#### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD'S CHURCH, COMMUNITY & WORLD PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**HYMN 464** 

Our Father. Which Art in Heaven

WEST INDIAN

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory

Vater unser im Himmelreich

Samuel Scheidt

†Offertory Response Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow LAST UNS EFFREUN Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise God above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!

†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

William Billings (1746-1800) is considered to be the father of American choral music. He published six books of tunes between 1770 and 1794 which were extremely popular in young America. These pieces were sung in an unsophisticated straight-forward style which became known as "Sacred Harp" which you will hear this morning.

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 congrega-

#### GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

†HYMN 697 Take My Life Hendon

†Invitation to Discipleship

†BENEDICTION IN WORDS

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC Our Father in Heaven Dietrich Buxtehude



#### **CALENDAR**

#### Sunday, January 27th

9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship

1100 AM Congregational Meeting

4:00 PM Clifton Sanctuary

Ministries

4:00 PM Chancel Bells 5:00 PM Youth Choir

6:00 PM Youth Group/Supper

Monday, January 28th

8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, January 29th

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

Thursday, January 31st

Friday, February 1st

9:00 AM Church at Prayer 500 PM Youth Ski Trip 8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

> Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> Youth Ski Trip

Sunday, February 3rd

Youth Ski Trip

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Worship

4:00 PM Chancel Bells

## 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.

Earl Meeks

Nancy Reichmann

The family of Priscilla Barnett

The family of Orin Mattheis

<u>In the Nursing Home, Home Care,</u> 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 , 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**

Annual Meeting Please plan to attend our annual congregational meeting today following worship in the Sanctuary. The congregation will receive the Annual Report, vote on the Pastoral terms of call, and elect Patsy Cannon to fill a currently vacant position on the Diaconate. Patsy has been a member of St. Andrews since 1980. She has served the church in many ways, most recently as an elder working with St. Andrews School.

Supporting those affected by the government shutdown: Because we do not know how long the shutdown will last or how best to meet needs, we encourage you to support NETWorks Cooperative Ministries. David Fisher, the executive director of NETWorks, says they are beginning to see an increase in activity due to the shutdown, and are initiating additional ways to serve those affected. You can support the work of NETWorks directly through financial gifts and donations of food and personal care items. For more information visit <a href="https://www.networkscoop.org/">https://www.networkscoop.org/</a> or <a href="https://www.networkscoop.org/">https://www.netw

AV Assistance Help is needed to run our audio-visual equipment on Sunday mornings. We will have a training session after worship on Sunday, Feb. 3. Once you're confident on the AV board, you'll serve once every six weeks. Please contact Phyllis Bearden at pbearden47@bellsouth.net or 404-580-8679.

<u>Ushers Needed</u> for the 4th Sunday of each month. Please contact Debbie Brilling if you would like to serve, 770-329-8721 dbrilling@avchears.org.

Presbyterians for a Better Georgia will host Advocacy Training, Tuesday, January 29th, 6 PM at First Presbyterian Church, Atlanta and Day at the Capitol on Wednesday, February 6th 7:30 AM at Central Presbyterian Church. Please register, <a href="https://www.p4bg.org/events">https://www.p4bg.org/events</a>, for these events that focus on the needs of all Georgians.

The 224th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) will meet June 20 -27, 2020 in Baltimore, Maryland. Ruling and Teaching Elders interested in serving as Commissioners to this meeting are invited to complete the *Volunteer Information Form* and the *General Assembly Commissioner Interest Form*, <a href="https://atlpcusa.org/committees.html">https://atlpcusa.org/committees.html</a> before February 15, 2019. The Presbytery Nominating Committee will meet in February to select nominees for service at the 224th General Assembly.

St. Andrews will staff the N.E.T. Food Pantry during February. The N.E.T. Food Pantry is located in Room 15 of the Tucker Recreation Center, next door to St. Andrews. Pantry hours are 11:00 am to 2:00 pm every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Volunteers are needed to bag groceries and greet clients. If you would like to volunteer in the Pantry, please call: Klara Smith, 770-934-1288.

#### **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
Pat Baker, Director of Older Adult and Caregiver Ministries
Ann McKinney, Director, St. Andrews School
Gretchen Perkins, Administrative Assistant
Debbie Hutto, Financial Administrator