

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ EARTH DAY  
APRIL 28, 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

*For the Beauty of the Earth*  
Friday Bells

Conrad Kocher (1838)  
Arranged by: Patricia Cota

†CALL TO WORSHIP

In the beginning, the Spirit of God moved over the waters,  
**and God said "Unbind creation and let her out!" and God declared it to be Good.**

God said, "let there be light" and called the light "Day" and the darkness "Night."  
**God spoke the word to call the land from the water and in God's eyes they were Good.**

God's word called to life the soybean and the milking cow, the robin and the earth worm,  
**the honey bee and the coyote, the microbe and the bluegill, and God's heart saw them to be Good.**

Then God spoke a final time, making creatures who carry the divine image: us.  
**Forming humans by holy word, to tend and steward all that God had made.**

And God saw that it was all Very Good.  
**And God declared that it is all Very Good.**

On the seventh day, God rested.  
**And on this seventh day, we come to worship and remember our role as partners in creation.**

†HYMN 247

*Now the Green Blade Rises*

NOËL NOUVELET

CONFESSING OUR SIN

**Gracious and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sins. Although Christ is risen from the grave and has shattered the power of death, we are still held captive by fear and doubt. We have neglected the poor and the hungry and ignored the cries of the oppressed. We pursue profits and pleasures that harm the land and pollute the waters, leaving this world depleted and damaged for future generations. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we and all your creatures may know the joy of life abundant, given through Christ Jesus, the risen Lord.**

*Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession.*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

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.

NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISES

This hymn was written for Easter and combines both the resurrection and the language of creation. The image of the dying seed and rising plant serve as a model for Christian life: our perpetual need to die to self in order to live for God.

SILENCE

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

†JOYFUL RESPONSE 240 *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks* ALLELUIA NO. 1

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.**

**Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Jesus has died and has risen.**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.**

### †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 sign of peace, saying "The peace of Christ be with you."

### HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Phyllis Bearden

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 12:3-9

Pew Bible, page 56(OT)

MUSICAL OFFERING *All Good Gifts*

David Schwoebel

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 29:4-12

Pew Bible, page 687(OT)

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON

*Cultivate*

Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN 20

*All Things Bright and Beautiful*

ROYAL OAK

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM FOR IAN KIM

#### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; he resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### Song of Welcome

Ian, we name you: and with thanksgiving,  
offer our prayer and sing you this song.  
We are the church, your spiritual family.  
Sing we our praises to Christ the Lord.  
Children we all are, of God the creator;  
Risking and loving, daring to see  
The heavenly kingdom growing among us.  
Sing we our praises to Christ the Lord.

#### 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."

#### APOSTLES' CREED

This ancient creed, which has its roots in Pentecost, states central mysteries without precisely explaining them. The early church originally used this creed responsively at baptism. Its current form was fixed through efforts of Charlemagne in 814.

#### SONG OF WELCOME

We will welcome the newly baptized by singing words to the tune BUNESSAN. This Gaelic melody is known from the hymn, *Morning Has Broken*.

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

*As the Deer*  
*Psalm 42:1; Psalm 28:7*

Martin Nystrom  
Arranged by Patricia Cota

Offertory Response

†Prayer of Dedication

GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

†HYMN 37

*Let All Things Now Living*

ASH GROVE

†INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

†BENEDICTION IN WORDS

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

*Simple Gifts*

American Shaker Melody

LET ALL THINGS NOW  
LIVING

The Welsh folk melody, ASH GROVE, is known by many from the Avery and Marsh songbook from camp. The tune fits well with the text, singing of praise for God's creation and providence.

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



## CALENDAR

### **Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM Sunday School  
10:00 AM Worship  
11:00 AM Baptism Reception  
11:15 AM Session Meeting  
4:00 PM Clifton Sanctuary Dinner  
4:00 PM Chancel Bells

### **Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

### **Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 AM OACM day trip to the Calvin Canter

### **Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>**

5:00 PM Little Light  
5:45 PM Big Table  
7:30 PM Chancel Choir

### **Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

#### **Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

9:00 AM Church at Prayer  
11:00 AM Friday Bells  
6:00 PM Confirmation Retreat  
8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

#### **Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 AM Lawnmower Repair  
9:00 AM Confirmation Retreat

#### **Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**

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

## 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.

#### **Confirmation Class**

**Drew and Kim Tomberlin, on the death of Kim's Father**

**Burrelle Meeks on the death of her husband, Earl.**

**Linda LeBron**

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

**Sharon Shenkman**-North Decatur HRC, **Evelyn Wallace**-at home, **Clyde Wentz**-The Phoenix at Tucker, **Jane Wentz**- Autumn Leaves **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

**Flowers Today** are given to the glory of God and in honor of the baptism of Ian Kim.

**Baptism Reception** Everyone is welcome to join Ian's family in the Youth Lounge after worship today for a reception celebrating his baptism.

**Lawnmower Repair** Our youth, along with Paul Burns, Mike Bearden and other adults, will be doing tune-ups and minor repairs for lawnmowers and small engines at no charge on Saturday May 4 from 8:00 AM - Noon in the parking lot by the shed. Bring your mower by for a tune-up and tell your friends and neighbors.

**Youth News** The youth will serve dinner at Clifton Sanctuary Ministries today at 4:00 PM. Meet in the SAPC parking lot by the buses. No Youth Group/Choir tonight.

**Big Table** Mark your calendars and plan to join us on May 1, 8, 15 and 22. Dinner is 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. Contact Merle Westbrook, 678-471-1813 with any questions. 5:45-6:20 Dinner served 6:20-6:35 Fellowship Activity 6:35-7:30 Programs for all ages, childcare for infants and toddlers.

**Mission Trip** Join us for this summer's inter-generational mission trip, June 21-27, at the Calvin Center. Participants, including children who can work under your supervision, will be working on camp repairs and clean up. There will also be time for fellowship and recreational activities. Youth in 6-12th grades may attend without a parent. The cost is \$50/day per person, for lodging and meals. Since the Calvin Center is only an hour south of Atlanta, you may choose the days you are able to attend. An online sign-up is coming soon. Please contact Josh Price for more information, 770-921-1231.

**39ers** The 39ers are a group of folks who like to meet and fellowship together. Their next meeting will be at Bambinelli's for lunch on Monday, May 6th at Noon. Everyone is welcome to join them. Contact Charles Mills with any questions, 678-654-6828.

**Flowers for Worship** Please contact Margaret Ellingson or sign up online if you would like to bring flowers for worship on an upcoming Sunday. Flowers can be from the store or your yard. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0948a5aa2fa75-2018> or 770-891-0858

**Closer Walk with Thee** The next set of pages for our Gospel Reading Project are available in the Narthex and in the church office.

**Nursery Worker** We are looking for a second, regular worker for the nursery each week. Qualified candidates must be at least 18 years old, have experience with babies and toddlers, and reliably come to work each Sunday from 8:45 to 11:15 AM. Anyone interested should please send a resume to: [janethomas2570@comcast.net](mailto:janethomas2570@comcast.net). (Please be aware that we are required to do a background check on anyone we hire and that according to our personnel policy, we do not hire church members for paid positions.)

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