

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OLDER ADULT SUNDAY

MAY 7, 2023

10:00 AM



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Jesu meine Freude

Johann Sebastian Bach

Jesus, my Joy

†CALL TO WORSHIP

As if this were the only time, and this the only place, and we the only people,
Jesus Christ will meet us.

As if this were the only time, and this the only place, and we the only people,
let us worship God.

†HYMN 634

To God Be the Glory

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LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

You found out what we were doing and you intervened.

“Come, let’s do it together, come and do it with me,” You said.

So, thank you, Lord, for intervening in our private lives.

You promised us nothing by way of success, recognition, possessions or reward.

“These things will come at the right time when you walk with me,” You said.

So, thank you, Lord, for promising us nothing.

You gave us no resources apart from ourselves - hands meant for caring, lips meant for praising, hearts meant for loving -

and the Holy Spirit to make us restless until we change.

So, thank you, Lord, for the essential gifts.

Then just when we think we’ve got it right as to where we should go and what we should do; just when we’re ready to take on the world, You come, like a beggar, to our back door, saying, “This is the way. I am the way.” And offering us bread and wine.

**So, thank you, Lord, for coming again and keeping your word,
and showing you care for us and for all.**

(Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession.)

†JOYFUL RESPONSE

ALLELUIA #1

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Come let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior.

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HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Margaret Ellingson

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

Pew Bible p. 613(OT)

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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.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

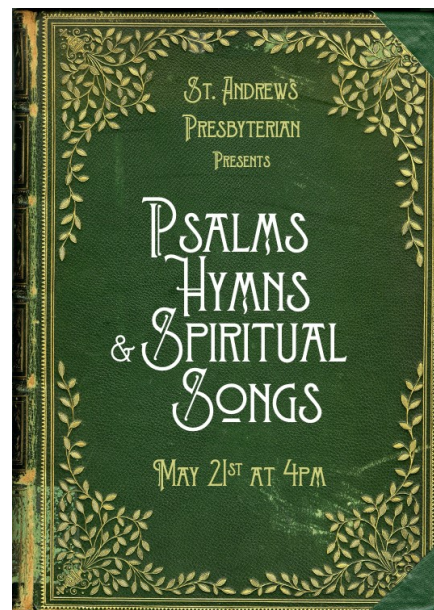
While this hymn became popular in the gospel song world at Billy Graham’s 1954 Nashville Crusade, its content is a departure from that genre. Rather than focusing on personal conversion or testimony, this hymn celebrates God’s saving work in Jesus Christ.

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

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

CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Dr. Camille LeBron Powell, Pastor
Ashley Lewis, Coordinator of Congregational Vitality
David Lukens, Director of Music
Edward Weaver, Associate Director of Music and Organist
Pat Baker, Director of Older Adult and Caregiver Ministries
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As one part of the church of Jesus Christ, we are inspired and guided by Christ's vision of God's realm – one that includes all who seek to love God and neighbor.

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church welcomes all people, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic situation, family status, mental or physical abilities to become part of the membership and ministry of the church.

We welcome all of each of you.

Approved and adopted by the Session of St. Andrews, August 2019

Notes on Today's Music:

The **Opening Voluntary** is based on a chorale composed by Johann Crüger (1598-1662), a German composer of well-known hymns. He was also the editor of the most widely used Lutheran hymnal of the 17th century. The text of the chorale was written by Johann Franck (1618-1677), a German politician and a lyric poet and hymnist. The text is based on Romans 8:1-2, 9-11. This setting was composed by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750). It is the chorale from a motet of the same name (BWV 227) which he composed in Leipzig in 1735. It is found in the *Orgelbüchlein* (Little Organ Book), a set of 46 chorale preludes for organ. They are intended as introductions for the hymn to be sung. Bach originally planned for a collection of 164 settings of existing Lutheran chorale tunes sung during the Church year so that each part of the year was represented.

The **Musical Offering** is based on a text written by John Ernest Bode (1816-1874), an Anglican priest, educator, poet, and hymnist. It was written in 1866 to highlight the confirmation promises made by the author's daughter and two sons. Bode told his children, "I have written a hymn containing all the important truths I want you to remember." The setting for the text was newly composed in 1996 by Howard Helvey (b. 1968), a well-known American composer, arranger, pianist, organist and choirmaster.

The **Benediction in Music** is based on a Lutheran hymn from the 17th century. The author of the text, which dates from the early 17th century, is unknown. The music was composed by Jacob Regnart (1540?-1599) a Flemish Renaissance composer of both sacred and secular music.

This setting was composed by Johann Kuhnau (1660-1722), known primarily today German composer of church cantatas and early keyboard sonatas. He had a wide range of knowledge and was active as a novelist, translator, lawyer, and music theorist.

CALENDAR

Sunday, May 7th

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship
11:30 AM Dementia-Friendly
Church Workshop

Monday, May 8th

8:00 PM AA Meeting

Tuesday, May 9th

7:00 PM Education Ministry
8:00 PM Worship Ministry

Wednesday, May 10th

12:30 PM Lunch and Learn
5:00 PM Light of Grace
7:00 PM Management Ministry
7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 11th

Friday, May 12th

9:00 AM Church at Prayer
8:00 PM AA Meeting

Saturday, May 13th

Sunday, May 14th

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, or contact the office. Please update the office about any changes in the condition of your loved ones.

John Brooke, on the death of his father

Peter Shenkman

The Johnston family on the death of husband and father, Verome

Charles Chambers on the death of his brother

Marcia Noble's daughter, Michelle

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

Milly Ball at home

Peggy Benedict at home

Elinor Bryan Westminster Village

Henry Tribble The Villages

Ron Weber at home, **Betty Weber** Camelia Place

WELCOME

We invite you to join St Andrews, a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), in ministry and in worship.

Please note your presence on the list in the narthex so that members of our church family may welcome you. Your presence is a joy for us.

The Nursery, located in the hallway between the Sanctuary and Heffner Hall, has two dedicated childcare volunteers who will stay with young children during worship. For school-age children, the PRAYground is available, near the front of the sanctuary, offering educational and interactive materials, and the Parlor is available for anyone needing a quiet moment outside of the sanctuary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

How can St. Andrews be a Dementia Friendly Church? No matter your age or stage of life have you ever wondered what the difference is between being forgetful and having dementia? If the answer is YES to that question, then please plan to attend an information session after church today from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM in the Meeting Room. All ages are invited for this informative presentation.

Special Offering On Mother's Day, May 14th, we will take a special offering to benefit the Presbyterian Homes of Georgia Caring Hands Fund. Presbyterian Homes is a ministry devoted to God's seniors in our care. For 74 years, the Caring Hands Fund offers benevolent care for six Presbyterian Homes communities in Georgia with contributions directly supporting the care of residents who have outlived their financial resources. Please put "Caring Hands" in the memo of your check. If giving online, please select Mission and put "Caring Hands" in the Notes.

Sunday School Children Kindergarten-5th Grade are invited to attend Sunday School at 9:00 AM in Room 117 in the Education Building. Adults and Youth are welcome to enjoy a time of informal fellowship and coffee in the narthex or proceed to the Meeting Room for the Fidelis class, at 9:00 AM.

Eyeglasses Collection Do you have a drawer at home with glasses that you don't use any more? Caring for Creation is collecting all types of eye glasses: prescription glasses, loose lenses, reading glasses, sunglasses, and even broken glasses. Bring them to the narthex, and we'll get them to those in need.

Visit to Baps Mandir On Tuesday, May 23rd anyone interested in touring the BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir in Lilburn, is invited to meet at the church at 10:00 am to go together for a 10:30 am guided tour. RSVP to Pat Baker by May 17, if you'd like to attend, pat@sapctucker.org.

Songs, Hymns and Spiritual Songs Join us on May 21st, when St. Andrews Chancel Choir will perform a special concert of Psalms, Hymns, & Spiritual Songs starting at 4:00 PM. Mark your calendars to come out for a fun afternoon of the most loved choral anthems from some of the best composers like John Rutter, Gilbert Martin, William Dawson, and many more!

Flowers for Worship May 14 and 28 are open for sign-ups to bring flowers for worship. The flowers can be from your yard or from the store. Here is the link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0948a5aa2fa75-sapc9#/>
Or, click the link in your weekly email.

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