St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

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October 9, 2022 10:30AM

WELCOME! What a delight that you are here! We hope you will experience the love of Jesus and the joy of community in this time of worship. If we can be of help to you, please let us know. We would love to assist you in finding ways to get involved and grow in your faith.

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Please note that all text in **bold** is spoken in unison. † Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION (You are invited to pray this prayer in silence.)

Loving God, we come today with our doubts and fears, our trials and triumphs. As we worship You, remind us that You are with us in every moment and every situation. And hear our praise for You in every moment of our day. Amen.

PRELUDE

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Let us start this day by reminding ourselves it is not we who chose Christ,

Many: But Christ who chose us.

One: We are not here because of our goodness,

Many: But because of Christ's grace.

One: We are not here to enlighten ourselves, **Many: But to allow Christ to enlighten us.**One: We have not come to be entertained,

Many: But to worship God with heart, soul, mind, and strength.

All: Together, let us praise the Lord!

† HYMN INSERT

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Dove of Peace

Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son! Hail in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun! He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free; To take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong; To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong; To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light, Whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in His sight.

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth; Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in His path to birth. Before Him, on the mountains, shall peace, the herald, go, And righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.

To Him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend; His kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end. The tide of time shall never His covenant remove; His name shall stand forever; that name to us is love.

† Invitation to Confession

† Prayer of Confession

Gracious Lord, our efforts at being faithful seem to produce mixed results. Sometimes we do what is right and the result is pain and suffering. Other times we turn our back on what is right and things seem to go just fine. Faithful living is confusing to us. Forgive us when we are faithful just to gain an advantage. Forgive us when we reject faithful living because we can't see any advantage. Have mercy on us, we pray, and help us to love You so deeply that the only desire of our heart is to honor You with our lives, no matter what the outcome.

† ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow

Lloyd Larson

Through the night of doubt and sorrow, Onward goes the pilgrim band, Singing songs of expectation, Marching to the promised land.

Clear before us through the darkness Gleams and burns our guiding light; Pilgrim, clasp the hand of pilgrim, And step fearless through the night.

See the light of God's pure presence On the ransomed people shed, Chasing far the gloom and terror, Brightening this dark path we tread.

One the object of our journey; One the faith which never tires; One the song we sing together; One the hope our God inspires.

Onward, therefore, sisters, brothers; Onward, with the cross our aid. Bear its shame, and fight its battle, Till we rest beneath its shade.

Soon shall come the great awakening, Soon the rending of the tomb! Soon the scattering of all shadows, And the end of toil and gloom. Soon shall come the end of toil and gloom.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 11:1-6 Pew Bible p. 836

SERMON Motivation

† HYMN STF 2216

When We Are Called to Sing Your Praise

Kingsfold

When we are called to sing Your praise with hearts so filled with pain That we would rather sit and weep or stand up to complain, Remind us, God, You understand the burdens that we bear; You, too, have walked the shadowed way and known our deep despair.

When we are called to sing Your praise and cannot find our voice,
Because our losses leave us now no reason to rejoice,
Remind us, God, that You accept our sad laments in prayer;
You, too, have walked the shadowed way and known our deep despair.

When we are called to sing Your praise and life ahead looks grim, Still give us faith and hope enough to break forth in a hymn, A thankful hymn, great God of Love, that You are everywhere; You walk the shadowed way with us and keep us in Your care.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

Invitation to the Offering

GIVE ONLINE

† HYMN 592 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† Prayer of Dedication

† HYMN 466

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Azmon

O for a thousand tongues to sing My dear Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace!

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.

Christ breaks the power of reigning sin, And sets the prisoner free; Christ's blood can make the sinful clean, Christ's blood availed for me.

My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim, To spread through all the earth abroad The honors of Thy name.

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG STF 2206

Without Seeing You

WE BELIEVE

Without seeing You, we love You; Without touching You, we embrace; Without knowing You, we follow; Without seeing You, we believe.

POSTLUDE

We thank Patricia Williamson for sharing her gift of music with us today.

Masks and hand sanitizers are available at the entrances for everyone's comfort and convenience.

Please use the **OONNEO** cards in the pews to let us know about areas of interest, prayer requests, and volunteer opportunities. If you are a VISITOR, please include your address, phone number, email, and other information that will help us get to know you better. Completed cards can be placed in the offering baskets.

The **NURSERY** is located near the sanctuary and is available for children ages 0-4 during worship. CHILDREN'S BULLETINS and LARGE PRINT BULLETINS, BIBLES, AND HYMNALS are available on the sanctuary tables.

You're invited to the parlor for MEET AND GREET to enjoy light refreshments and conversation immediately following the service.

FRESH FLOWERS can be given in the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings in memory or in honor of loved ones. If you would like to sponsor the Sunday morning chancel flowers, please email church@saintandy.org.



Celebrate Presbyterian heritage with us on October 16 for SCOTTISH SUNDAY. We will have a meal of stew and shortbread following the service. Wear plaid!

THURSDAY ACTIVITY GROUP (T.A.G.) is meeting at noon in the Fellowship Hall on October 13 to enjoy Mexican food, dessert, and spooky October stories from Charlotte Schwarzlose and Shelley Plunkett.

MEALS ON WHEELS urgently needs volunteers to cook and deliver meals on Thursday mornings! Contact the church office or Susan Reese for more information.

St. Andrew's Calendar

Sunday, October 9, 2022

9:15AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship

Meet and Greet 11:30AM Choir Rehearsal 11:45AM

3:00PM **Boy Scouts** 5:00PM Youth Group

Monday, October 10, 2022

10:00ÅM Monday Group 5:30PM Strings After School

6:30PM La Hacienda

6:30PM There's a Solution

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

PW Work 10:00ÅM 5:00PM Finance Team

5:30PM Strings After School

Wednesday, October 12, 2022

9:30AM Dayschool Chapel

5:30PM Handbells

Thursday, October 13, 2022

8:30AM MOW Cooks **MOW Delivers** 10:00AM

10:00AM Prayer Team

12:00PM T.A.G.

GTHE Rehearsal 6:00PM

Friday, October 14, 2022

6:30PM There's a Solution

Sunday, October 16, 2022

SCOTTISH SUNDAY

9:15AM Sunday School

10:30AM Worship

11:45AM Fellowship Lunch

Choir Rehearsal 12:15PM

12:30PM **Deacon Training**

3:00PM **Boy Scouts**

5:00PM Youth Group

CHURCH STAFF

Tara Thompson, Pastor Melissa Hoyt, Office Administrator Deanna Weitzel, Day School Director Thomas Furlow, Music Director Rachel Clark, Admin Assistant/Pianist

> Office: Monday -Thursday 8:30AM - 4:30PM



MEMBERS: Bob Fisher, Shelley Plunkett, Barbara and Dalton Abel, Bill McIlrath, Kay Long, Joyce Head, Dave Darchuk

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: John Plunkett, Family of Jimmy Guillory, Family of Jerry Hinson, Nick Bynum, Cathy Thayer, Evelyn Sibley Jameson, Jerry Linn, Thomas Fisher, Rachel Lawerence, Jill Botkin, Jack Dillard, Tina and Bob Workman, Paul Harborth, Janie Niederstadt Verderame, Esmee Foster, Erin Lenhart, Mary Kennedy