

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



WHAT ABOUT SOCIAL JUSTICE? James 2:1-17 *Believe Lesson 8*

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Please note that all text in *bold* is spoken in unison.

† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

June 16, 2024

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.

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

Generous God, You are my maker and I trust in You. Surround me with Your favor today that I may hear the cry of those in need and share my resources; in the excellent name of Jesus Christ, my Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE

In the Garden

GARDEN

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

based on Psalm 146

One: Joy comes to those who hope in God.

Many: For the Lord is a keeper of promises.

One: Our God is a God of healing and help and hope!

Many: Our God will keep faith with all generations.

All: Let us praise the Lord both now and forevermore!

† **HYMN 411**

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

FESTAL SONG

Arise, your light is come! The Spirit's call obey;
Show forth the glory of your God, which shines on you today.

Arise, your light is come! Fling wide the prison door;
Proclaim the captives' liberty, good tidings to the poor.

Arise, your light is come! All you in sorrow born,
Bind up the broken-hearted ones and comfort those who mourn.

Arise your light is come! The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we know we often fall short of Your call to love one another well. We allow ourselves to be blinded by wealth and power. We tune out the cries of the poor and those on the edges of society. Help us to feel Your great love for all who need Your redemptive grace. Strengthen us to reach out in service to those who are in need. Renew us in body and spirit, so that we will be able, through Your help, to walk in the way You intend for us. Forgive us and lead us, we pray.

† ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and brothers, proclaim the Good News.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

Restoration

Arr. Heather Sorenson

Forgive our sin, O Lord. Heal us and restore us, we pray.
Take our iniquities. Cleanse us from every evil.
Restore the joy of Your salvation.

Heal all our brokenness. Mend the places marred by our sin.
Cover our stains with grace. Loosen the chains that bind us.
Redeem our weakness for Your glory.

Teach us to follow You. Give us the strength to walk in Your truth.
Lead us in pastures green. Give us the victory, Lord, for Your name!
Rebuild the shattered walls. Gather Your children back to Your love;
And by Your power we will conquer all!
Forgive our sin, O Lord. Heal us and restore us, we pray.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

James 2:1-17

Pew Bible p. 1043-1044

Large Print p. 1840-1841

SERMON

What About Social Justice?

† HYMN STF 2175

Together We Serve

SAN ANSELMO

Together we serve, united by love, inviting God's world to the glorious feast.
We work and we pray through sorrow and joy, extending Your love to the last and the least.

We seek to become a beacon of hope, a lamp for the heart and a light for the feet.
We learn, year by year, to let love shine through until we see Christ in each person we meet.

We welcome the scarred, the wealthy, the poor, the busy, the lonely, and all who need care.
We offer a home to those who will come, our hands quick to help, our hearts ready to dare.

Together, by grace, we witness and work, remembering Jesus, in whom we grow strong.
Together we serve in Spirit and truth, remembering love is the strength of our song.

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
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.

DOXOLOGY

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

† HYMN 386

O for a World

AZMON

O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways,
Where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved,
Where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

We welcome one world family and struggle with each choice
That opens us to unity and gives our vision voice.

The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the foolish ones are wise.
Tell all who mourn; outcasts belong, who perishes will rise.

O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace,
Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG

Let There Be Peace on Earth

JACKSON

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God, our Creator, children all are we.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

You are encouraged to sit and enjoy the postlude after the sending song.

POSTLUDE

Serenade

G. PIERNE

The flowers today were given to the glory of God and in celebration
of our 46th wedding anniversary, by Bob and Judy Fisher.

We thank Jacob Furlow (violin) and Mason Hendrix (oboe)
for sharing their gifts of music with us in worship today.

Please use the **CONNECT** cards in the pews to let us know about prayer requests or areas of interest. If you are a visitor, please also include your contact information and help us get to know you better! You can place completed cards in the offering baskets.

The **NURSERY** is located near the sanctuary and is available for children ages 0-5. Children's activity bulletins and **LARGE PRINT** bulletins, Bibles, and hymnals are available on the sanctuary tables.

THE ST. ANDREW'S LIFESHARE BLOOD DRIVE is June 19 from 4:00PM-7:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. Last year, our blood drives helped save 66 lives; your donations make a difference!

Today is the first day of our **SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE** benefitting Marshall Middle School! You can drop off supplies at the Church Office during business hours or after church on Sundays until July 14. Take this opportunity to be a blessing to the students in our community. Needs include multicolor highlighters and dry erase markers; composition books; large erasers; 1-inch and 2-inch binders; antibacterial wipes; black or blue ballpoint pens; pencil pouches; #2 pencils; TI-30xs multi-view calculators; tissues; college-rule notebook paper; pocket folders; 12-pack colored pencils; spiral notebooks; and sticky notes.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

MEMBERS: Beth Ann Mistrot, Linda Sparkman, Bob Fisher, Barbara and Dalton Abel, Kay Long

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Sharon Dear, Sherry Edmund, Madeline Johnson, David Cobble, Erika Russell, Karen Thompson Butler, Val Rayzor, Mary Kennedy, Mickey Shuffield, Thomas Fisher, Jack Dillard, Erin Lenhart, Jerry Linn, Janie Niederstadt Verderame

St. Andrew's Calendar

Sunday, June 16, 2024

FATHER'S DAY

9:15AM Sunday School
10:30AM Worship
11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
12:00PM Deacons' Meeting

Tuesday, June 18, 2024

6:30PM Session Meeting
6:30PM Tuesday Small Group

Wednesday, June 19, 2024

JUNETEENTH

10:00AM Day School Chapel
4:00PM LifeShare Blood Drive
5:30PM Board of Trustees

Thursday, June 20, 2024

8:30AM MOW Cooks
10:00AM MOW Delivers
4:30PM Nominating Team

Sunday, June 23, 2024

9:15AM Sunday School
10:30AM Worship
11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
5:00PM Youth Group

CHURCH STAFF

Tara Thompson, Pastor
Thomas Furlow, Music Director
Rachel Stiles, Admin Assistant/Organist
Joyce Stillwell, Admin Assistant
Patricia Williamson, Pianist

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