

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

1st Sunday in Lent

February 21, 2021

10:30 am

WE GATHER AS A FAITH COMMUNITY

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Loving God, you have made covenant with us and with every living creature. We give thanks for the sign of the rainbow, for it reminds you and us of your promise: that the flood of destruction will not be the last word. We thank you, too, for the waters of baptism, the sign that we are raised as children of the covenant; through Jesus Christ our Lord. And we thank you for the sign of the dove, the promise of your Holy Spirit. Hovering over the dawn of creation, descending upon your beloved Son, your Spirit also hovers over and descends upon us. With the whole creation, we give you all glory and honor. In your triune name we pray. Amen.

PRELUDE

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

TO PRAISE THE LIVING GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

From water to wilderness:

God's covenant continues; God's kingdom comes near.

On stone and in hearts:

God's covenant continues; God's kingdom comes near.

From the ancestor of nations to the Son lifted up:

God's covenant continues; God's kingdom comes near.

We follow Jesus on the Lenten path,

for where he is, we would be also

HYMN 326

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, we begin this Lenten season in confession. We do not live according to your ways, but according to our own. We use power to our own advantage at the expense of others. Forgive us, we pray, when we are tempted to follow paths other than those you set before us. Help us to turn from evil in its many guises. Turn us toward your kingdom drawing near. In covenantal love, remember us, we pray, and be for us new life, once more and always. In Christ's name we pray.

(Silence for personal confession)

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Thanks be to God for this good news!
Good News indeed! Amen!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM READING

PSALM 25:4-10
NRSV

The Word of God for the people of God!
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

The Gift of Love
Zoey Henderson, Soloist & Chancel Choir

Hal Hopson

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love; my words are vain,
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within,
The profit turns strangely thin.

Come, spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed,
By this we worship and are freed. Amen.

GOSPEL READING

MARK 1:9-15
NRSV

God always blesses the reading and hearing of The Word!
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Path Theology

REV. MARGARET DESMOND

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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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN 85

What Wondrous Love Is This

GO OUT INTO THE WORLD TO GLORIFY GOD IN OUR DAILY LIVES

THE CHARGE

THE BLESSING

BENEDICTION

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy Faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

**Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provideth,
great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

POSTLUDE

WELCOME! God's house is a house of hospitality where all are welcome and visitors are a blessing from the Lord. Please return often. We are a church that ministers to the world in many ways, calling all to faith in Jesus Christ as Lord, and freely sharing his love and forgiveness. We pray for the life and needs of all visitors.

THOSE LEADING IN WORSHIP TODAY:

SOUND MARK CHAMPION
ACOLYTE LAUREN PEMBER
LITURGIST SHELLEY PLUNKETT
PASTOR REV. MARGARET DESMOND

LIVE STREAM
MUSIC DIRECTOR
ORGANIST

JOHN BUEHRLE
LEVI DUNCAN
THOMAS FURLOW

THANKS to each of you for following our safety guidelines below. All Glory to God!

- Masks are required on entering, exiting, and moving about. When seated, masks are optional.
- The congregation is to remain seated during the service even during the singing.
- Passing of the Peace: stand or sit in place and wave **SILENTLY**, yet **ENTHUSIASTICALLY!**
- Instructions will be given for the Offering at the appropriate time.

OFFICE HOURS are now back to "normal" - Monday thru Thursday, 8:30am to 4:30pm.

THE FELLOWSHIP CLASS is now meeting again upstairs in the Library.

THE WOMEN OF GRACE CLASS is meeting again upstairs in their original classroom.

CHOIR REHEARSAL is every Sunday in the Sanctuary right after service. Masks are being worn and social distancing is being practiced.

PW BIBLE STUDY is this Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 10am in the Parlor. It's not too late to join!

HOSPITAL TODAY EMAIL is now handled by Martha Giarratano. Please email mgiar2@hotmail.com or call/text (409) 347-0940 between 8 am and 9:30 pm with your request. If she does not answer, please leave a message and she will get back to you as soon as she can.

PRAISES & PRAYER LIST

Members: Family of Juanell Jones, Family of Wallace Bryan, Family of Tammy Singletary, Dalton Abel, Ruth Jurik, Kay Sutton, Chris & Olivia Thompson, Bill Roe, Nancy & James Bonds, Bill McIlrath, Bob Fisher, Rev. Wayne Rhodes, Mackia & Katrina, Mary Collier, Elmer Long, Dean Lovejoy, Gary Sitton, Thomas Fisher and Bryan Rao.

Friends and Family: Family of George Haisten, Gary Dry, Family of Royce Nelson, Family of Lum Edwards III, Bill Taylor, George Brown, Grace & Jeff Richey and Baby Isaiah, Buzz Bailey, Tiffany, Newt Cole, Glenn Helterbran, Lucie K., Shauntaryle & Zach, Erin Lenhart, Mary Kennedy, Diane P., Billie & Brett Taylor, Katie B., Jean Williamson, Bob Vasil, Bob Higgins, Courtney Glover, Weston Sitton, Janie Verderame, Rachel Lawrence, Evan Johnson, Jill Botkin, Phil Storms, Shawn Kennedy & Lorry, Bill McKeon, Cheryl Bryan, Jennifer Patton, Cindy Woodland, Bob Janecek and Canyon Cassidy.

St. Andrew's Calendar

Sunday, February 21, 2021

10:30 AM Worship
Rev. Margaret Desmond
12:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Monday, February 22, 2021

6:15 PM There's A Solution/AA
6:30 PM La Hacienda

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

9:30 AM Staff Mtg
10:00 AM PW Bible Study
6:30 PM Session Mtg

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

5:30 PM Board of Trustees

Thursday, February 25, 2021

8:30 AM MOW Cooks
10:00 AM MOW Delivers
10:00 AM Prayer Team
6:15 PM Wolf Den Mtg

Friday, February 26, 2021

~ OFFICE CLOSED ~
6:15 PM There's A Solution/AA

Sunday, February 28 2021

10:30 AM Worship
Rev. John Alexander
12:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

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OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - THURSDAY
8:30 AM TO 4:30 PM

Office Administrator.....Melissa Hoyt
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Day School Director.....Deanna Weitzel

Director of Music Ministry.....Levi Duncan
Organist/Pianist.....Thomas Furlow