

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
First Sunday after Epiphany
Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2021 10:30 am

WE GATHER AS A FAITH COMMUNITY

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

BOOK OF COMMON WORSHIP

At the beginning of his public ministry, Jesus presents himself to John to be baptized in the Jordan. This is a Trinitarian event: as Jesus emerges from the water, the Holy Spirit descends from heaven as a dove, and we hear a voice naming Jesus as God's beloved Son. In ancient Christian tradition, the Baptism of the Lord is closely connected with the Epiphany as both are manifestations of God's saving purpose through Jesus Christ; accordingly, these festivals are adjacent to one another in the Christian calendar. The Baptism of the Lord also foreshadows the season of Lent as the Gospels tell us that Jesus was driven into the wilderness for forty days after his own baptism. At this festival of the Christian year, we not only remember Jesus' baptism, but also give thanks for the baptism we share with Christ.

PRELUDE

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

TO PRAISE THE LIVING GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

MARK 1

Lost . . .

wandering without purpose, meaning, value, acceptance, or place.

We wander lost. But the Spirit of God descends like a dove upon us.

We hear the ancient words that name and claim us as children of God.

We are cleansed, refreshed, and made new in the love of those words.

Together we come to sing praises and worship as the children of God!

HYMN 401

Here in This Place

**Here in this place the new light is streaming; now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.**

**Gather us in, the lost and forsaken; gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken; we shall arise at the sound of our name.**

**We are the young, our lives are a mystery. We are the old who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history, called to be light to the whole human race.**

**Gather us in, the rich and the haughty; gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly; give us the courage to enter the song.**

**Here we will take the wine and the water; here we will take the bread of new birth.
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.**

**Give us to drink the wine of compassion; give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.**

**Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away;
here in this place the new light is shining; now is the kingdom, and now is the day.**

**Gather us in and hold us forever; gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.**

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PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of majesty and mercy, forgive our wrongdoing: things we have done knowingly... things we have left undone... hurts we have inflicted unintentionally... and hurts we have tried to disguise. Forgive our acts of selfishness, harmful things we have done to please others, and those done to please ourselves.

In the week ahead and the year ahead, help us choose a better way.
(Silence for personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ROMANS 8:34

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ, be with you all.
And also, with you.

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

ACTS 19:1-7

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

ANTHEM

Beautiful, Beautiful
Alex Musgrove, Soloist

Francesca Battistelli

Don't know how it is You looked at me
And saw the person that I could be
Awakening my heart, breaking through the dark
Suddenly Your grace.

Chorus: Like sunlight burning at midnight
Making my life something so
Beautiful, beautiful
Mercy reaching to save me
All that I need
You are so beautiful, beautiful

Now there's a joy inside I can't contain
But even perfect days can end in rain
And though it's pouring down, I see You through the clouds
Shining on my face.

Chorus

I have come undone
But I have just begun
Changing by Your grace

Chorus

GOSPEL READING

MARK 1:4-11

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Please join in reading aloud those parts of the service printed in **bold**.*

**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.**

CALL TO OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN 485

We Know That Christ Is Raised

**We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
Embraced by death he broke its fearful hold,
and our despair he turned to blazing joy.
Alleluia!**

**We share by water in his saving death.
Reborn we share with him an Easter life
as living members of a living Christ.
Alleluia!**

**The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.
The Spirit's power shakes the church of God.
Baptized we live with God the Three in One.
Alleluia!**

**A new creation comes to life and grows
as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood.
The universe, restored and whole, will sing:
Alleluia!**

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

THE CHARGE AND THE BLESSING

BENEDICTION

More Like You

**More like you, Jesus, more like you.
Fill my heart with your desire to make me more like you.
More like you, Jesus, more like you.
Touch my lips with holy fire and make me more like you.
Lord, you are my mercy. Lord, you are my grace.
All my deepest sins have forever been erased.
Draw me in your presence. Lead me in your ways.
I long to bring you glory in righteousness and praise.**

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 SUZY BUEHRLE
ELDER JULIE ODLE

LIVE STREAM
MUSIC DIRECTOR
ORGANIST

JOHN BUEHRLE
LEVI DUNCAN
THOMAS FURLOW

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SESSION MEMBERS are praying for you and the church.

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.
- All songs are printed in the bulletin. A music score is available upon request.
- 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.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on January 17, 2021 at 10:15 am before worship.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN will start their bible study on Tuesday, January 26, 2021. It will be held from 10am to 12pm in the Parlor.

HOSPITAL TODAY EMAIL is now being handled by Martha Giarratano. She can be reached at either mgjar2@hotmail.com or (409) 347-0940 between 8 am and 9:30 pm. 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: Frances Floyed, Nancy Landolt, Betty Garza, Jean Stemmons, Family of Dorothy Schwarzlose, Family of Bea Peters, Dalton Abel, Ruth Jurik, Kay Sutton, Bill Roe, Wallace Bryan, Bill McIlrath, Bob Fisher, Rev. Wayne Rhodes, Mac'kia & Katrina, Mary Collier, Elmer Long, Dean Lovejoy, Gary Sitton, Thomas Fisher and Bryan Rao.

Friends and Family: Family of Pat Pate Griffith, Bill Taylor, Family of Austin Evans, Family of Diane Goetschius, Barbara Hornbuckle, Tiffany, Newt Cole, Glenn Helterbran, Lucie K., Shauntaryle & Zach, Erin Lenhart, Mary Kennedy, Diane P., Billie & Brett Taylor, Katie B., Jean & Ron Williamson, Courtney Glover, Weston Sitton, Gary Graham, Janie Verderame, Rachel Lawrence, Eric Booker, 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, January 10, 2021

10:30 AM Worship
Julie Odle, CRE

Monday, January 11, 2021

~ OFFICE CLOSED ~
6:00 PM Pastor Search Team Mtg
6:15 PM There's A Solution/AA
6:30 PM La Hacienda

Tuesday, January 12, 2021

9:30 AM Staff Mtg
4:45 PM Strings After School

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

6:00 PM Webelos Den Mtg

Thursday, January 14, 2021

6:15 PM Wolf Den Mtg

Friday, January 15, 2021

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

Sunday, January 17, 2021

10:15 AM Congregational Mtg
10:30 AM Worship
Rev. Lynn Hargrove

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OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - THURSDAY, 9AM TO 2PM

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