

# ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

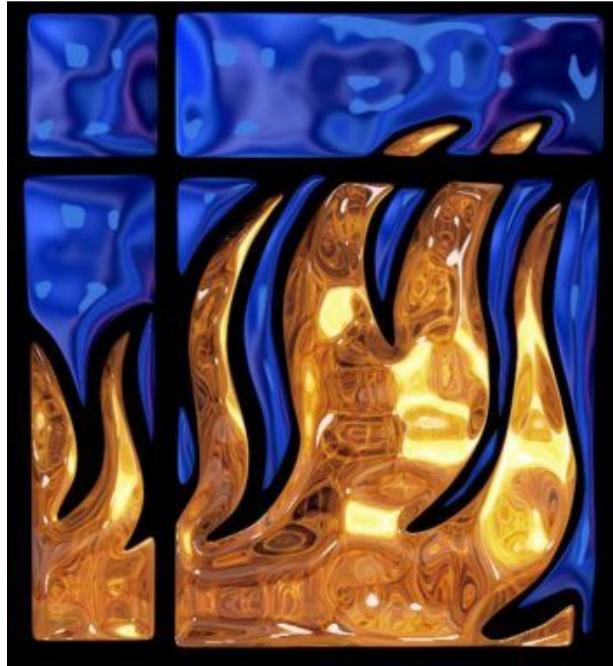
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August 18, 2018

10:30 a.m.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## *The Service for the Lord's Day*



**August 18, 2019**

**10:30 A.M.**

Ministers ..... All Members of St. Andrew  
Head Usher ..... Wayne Matthews  
Lead Elder ..... Mary Massey  
Liturgist ..... Bea White  
Music Ministry ..... The Choirs  
Director of Music Emeritus ..... Garry Cornell  
Pianists ..... Melissa S. Robol and Susan Mild  
Organists ..... Judith F. Willour  
Director of Music ..... Stephen Smith  
Transitional Pastor ..... Mark Johnson

**PRAYER OF THE DAY (For silent meditation in preparation for worship)**  
*God of peace, your call at times appears to divide us from one another. Help us to overcome our fears and respond in courage. Give us faith to trust the unity that is beyond our sight. Give us your eyes to recognize the signs before us. We ask this in the confidence of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **RINGING OF THE HOUR — INTROIT**

**WELCOME**

—Elder Mary Massey

**PRELUDE** “I Want to Walk as a Child of God” *Arr. by Michael Burkhardt*

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor: God hears the cries of the oppressed.

**People God brings justice to the weak and the marginalized.**

Pastor: The Lord has told us what is good and what is required of us.

**People Let us seek justice, love kindness, and walk with God all of our days.**

**\*HYMN NO. 299** “You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim”

### **\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

Pastor: Trusting in God’s hopes for us, let us come before God with contrite hearts, asking for reconciliation and seeking peace. Let us pray.

*\*All who are able may stand. — Hymnals are located on a shelf underneath each pew.*

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

God of hope, we confess our disregard of your care, our doubt of your providence, and our blindness to signs of your love. We are afraid to risk our comforts to find new life; we separate ourselves from you and from others and foster divisions between those you love. Help us to amend our lives and make us your faithful people who bear the good fruit of your Word in the world. Amen.

(Silent confession)

Pastor: We pray in the name of Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

**\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Pastor: God hears our confession, rejoicing as we desire to change our lives. God lifts us from our despondency to rejoice in the company of the saints. God acknowledges the forces that separate us, and brings us to peace. Rejoice in the knowledge of our reconciliation and a life lived in the presence of God.

People: Thanks be to God

**\*GLORIA**

*Cornell*

*Joyfully*

Glo - ry to God, Cre - a - tor, Son and Spir - it; Who was and is and  
 shall be for - ev - er: The One E - ter - nal God, the One E - ter - nal God.

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Pastor: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The Peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

*The Ministry of the Word*

If you want to follow the Scripture lessons on your electronic device, our network is **Andrew2 or Andrew3**; password: **calvinjohn**. A good website for the NRSV is [www.devotions.net/bible/00bible.htm](http://www.devotions.net/bible/00bible.htm) or the app Olive Tree.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST LESSON**

Hebrews 11:29-12:2  
[p. 226 (NT) in pew Bible]

**SECOND LESSON**

Luke 12:49-56  
[p. 75 (NT) in pew Bible]

**SERMON**

—Dr. Mark A. Johnson

*Respond to God's Word*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (unison)

The Confession of 1967 (10.7)

We believe that God has revealed God's self as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people;

We believe that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged;

We believe that God calls the church to follow God in this; for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry;

We believe that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream;

We believe that in following Christ the church must witness against all the powerful and privileged who selfishly seek their own interests and thus control and harm others. Amen.

**HYMN NO. 724**

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND LORD’S PRAYER**

**All:** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

**OFFERING**

Call to Respond

Offertory “Prelude in C Major” *Johann Sebastian Bach*

**\*RESPONSE No. 606** “The Doxology”  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Christ all people here below,  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore,  
Praise Triune God whom we adore.*

*Give Thanks to God*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Liturgist: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**  
Liturgist: We trust, O God, in your provision and loving kindness.  
**People: Use these gifts and our lives, that we might bear your fruit with praise and thanksgiving. Amen.**

*Go in God’s Name*

**\*HYMN NO. 757** “Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

**\*CHARGE — BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE** “Processional of Joy” *Ludwig van Beethoven*

*If you wish to enjoy the postlude, please remain quietly in your seats.  
Otherwise, consider it the final Alleluia on the day’s worship  
and leave to honor God and serve in Christ’s name.*

**WE GREET YOU** and are pleased that you have joined us for worship today. Whether you are a guest, member, or friend of the church, we hope you find a warm welcome here. After worship, you are invited and encouraged to enjoy a time of refreshment and fellowship.

**GUESTS ARE INVITED** to make a nametag so that we may greet you by name. Tags are located in the front hall beside the guest book on the lectern. **Members and friends of St. Andrew are reminded to wear their nametags as well.**

**PERSONAL LISTENING DEVICES** are available for use during the worship service. Please ask an usher for assistance.

**FOR THE CHILDREN: Activity sheets** (two sets: for ages 3—6 and for 7—12) related to today’s service are on the oak cabinet in the back of the sanctuary. **Activity bags** with coloring books and crayons for younger children are on hooks underneath the bulletin boards in the front hall.

**THE GREETER TODAY** is Georgia Reynolds.

**THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR TODAY** is provided by

**THE FLOWERS TODAY** are given by Mark Strong in honor of brother David & Dottie’s Anniversary.

**THIS MONTH’S CARD MINISTRY COORDINATOR** is Nancy Eucker.

**THE LEAD ELDER NEXT WEEK** is Susan Mild.

**CALLING ALL SINGERS!** We will have our first choir rehearsal of the season on Wednesday, August 28, at 7:30 p.m. This is not just a reminder for current members, but an invitation to anyone who would like to join us in this important ministry of the church. If you need any further information, please contact Stephen Smith (handbellguy@hotmail.com).



**THIS WEEK**

**ST. ANDREW**

**August 19 thru August 25\***

<b>Monday</b>	7:00 pm	PNC meeting (Blue Room)
<b>Tuesday</b>	4:00 pm	Tai Chi (Blue Room)
	7:30 pm	Finance meeting (Blue Room)
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:30 am	Prayer Meeting (Blue Room)
	12:30 pm	Bible Study (Blue Room)
<b>Sunday</b>	10:30 am	Worship (Sanctuary)

**\*You may view the St. Andrew website for the complete calendar**



**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** "The session has called a congregational meeting to be held today immediately following worship for the purpose of amending the bylaws to reduce the number of ruling elders to six by replacing:

2.1 The Session shall consist of the Pastor and not fewer than nine (9) elders divided into three (3) classes each consisting of not less than three members.

with:

2.1 The Session shall consist of the Pastor and six (6) ruling elders divided into three (3) classes each consisting of two (2) members."

**The Session**

Moderator—Rev. Roger Au

Clerk — Susan Mild

**Class of 2019**

Debie Myers  
Mark Stansbery  
Fred Vaughan

**Class of 2020**

Chris Cvar  
Mary Massey  
Susan Mild

**Class of 2021**

Roxanne Bawidamann  
Blaise Mvoa-Olama  
Kate Kerr