

Welcome to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Our Vision—

We will trust in God. He knows the future and His plans for us are good and full of promise. We will continue to seek God's will and fulfill God's mission as we live in boundless hope.

Our Mission—

St. Andrews is a community of grace and love in which each person's gifts, talents, and skills are welcomed and valued. We are a household of faith, a people gathered together to worship God, proclaim His salvation, and to experience an eternal relationship with Him. Through the guidance and power of the Holy Spirit, we will channel our energies into: Worship, Prayer, Study, Education, Fellowship, Mission, and Service to enable all people to encounter God in every experience and relationship they have.

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SUNDAY SHEPHERD

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GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

St. Andrew's Legacy Carillion

PRAISE TO GOD

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 124:8)

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

People: In speaking, in silence, in movement, in stillness, God is with us.

Pastor: God alone saves us. God alone helps us. God alone sets us on the path of peace.

People: Let us worship our Helper!

***HYMN # 169**

"Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart" v. 1, 2, 3, & 5

CHILDREN'S CHURCH DISMISSAL

"Jesus Loves Me"

SEASON OF PEACE REFLECTIONS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

God of unity, we live in a world where our lives move between inclusivity and exclusivity.

We often move toward the latter, trying to oust from our circles those who do not think like us, act like us, or look like us. Forgive our need to reject and to always be on the lookout for

those things that make us different. Give us the eyes of our Teacher, who knows

unconditional love and compassion and sees all as one, for it is in his name that we pray.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE: HYMN # 812**

"Glory Be to the Father"

PASSING OF THE PEACE:

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Greet each other with the sign of peace)

HYMN # 630

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus" v. 1 – 3

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Kevin Strang

SCRIPTURES

Kevin Strang

Gospel Reading: Mark 9:38-50

Reader: This is the WORD of the LORD for His people.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to GOD!

MESSAGE

"Discerning Questions"

Pastor Linda Graham

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again, He ascended into heaven. He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

***RESPONSE HYMN # 815**

"Doxology"

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (In-Unison)

Accept all that is offered in this place this day, O God. Accept our material commitment to build a more peaceable family on this earth and in our own communities. Accept our personal commitment to become a people who break cycles of hatred and retaliation, in both large-scale and everyday ways. Use these gifts, and use us messy people, for the rebuilding of a world of hope and healing in your name, Amen.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN # 237

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessings" v. 1 – 2

CHARGE & BLESSING

POSTLUDE

St. Andrew's Legacy Carillion

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September Lectionary

[Proper 21 \(26\)](#)

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

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Psalms 124

Psalms 19:7-14