

# ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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“Be kind to one another...” —Ephesians 4:32

**August 12, 2018      10:30 A.M.**

Ministers ..... All Members of St. Andrew  
Head Ushers ..... Charles & Daniel Anokye  
Lead Elder ..... Susan Mild  
Liturgist ..... Fred Vaughan  
Music Ministry ..... The Choirs  
    Director of Music Emeritus ..... Garry Cornell  
    Pianists ..... Melissa S. Robol and Susan Mild  
    Organists ..... Judith F. Willour, Alex Chacon  
    Director of Music ..... Stephen Smith  
Transitional Pastor ..... Roger Au

August 12, 2018

10:30 a.m. Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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

**PRAYER OF THE DAY (For silent meditation in preparation for worship)**  
*Redeeming God, you satisfy our soul's hunger through Jesus Christ, the bread of life. Filled with your steadfast love, let us live in love, working honestly to share with the needy, feeding others with the bread of kindness, tenderness, and forgiveness. Amen.*

### **RINGING OF THE HOUR**

**WELCOME**

—Elder Susan Mild

**PRELUDE** “Prelude in A Minor”

*J. S. Bach*

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

Pastor: We have come together as those who choose the company of Christ.

**People Meet us as we gather, Jesus our Christ.**

Pastor: We have come in faith to reach out toward our God.

**People Be with us as we wait, O God.**

Pastor: We have come as those who long for the life of the Spirit.

**People Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

**\*HYMN NO. 396** “Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”

*Holy Manna*

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

Pastor: We say we know you and what you hope for us,

**People: but our words and actions, our silences and failures to care, show that we have so much to discover about our God.**

Pastor: Let us gather up our foolish lives and offer them in prayer to the One who longs to forgive us and save us from ourselves.

*\*All who are able may stand. — Hymnals are located at the end of each pew.*

**\*LITANY OF CONFESSION**

Pastor: Loving Jesus, you offer us so much in your life and your death, and we often fail to hold our lives open to receive what you bring to us. Even as we come to you in prayer, our human hearts hardly dare to believe that we will be received as we are.  
Be gracious to us this day, we pray.

**People: Do not turn your face away from us, O God.**

Pastor: We are those who tell the world that we are your people and then so often go our own way, hardly pausing to ask ourselves whether there is more that you have to teach us.  
Be gracious to us this day, we pray.

**People: Do not turn your face away from us, O God.**

Pastor: If we are content to live as we have always lived rather than going deeper into life that we are called to, avoiding the challenges and complexities rather than growing and changing in response to your truth:  
Be gracious to us this day, we pray.

**People: Do not turn your face away from us, O God.  
This we pray in humble faith.**

(Silent confession)

Pastor: We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen**

**\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Pastor: When we love others, we imitate God. When we help others, we imitate God. When we offer mercy to others, we imitate God. May others continue to see God in us, even as we are loved, helped, and forgiven by God.

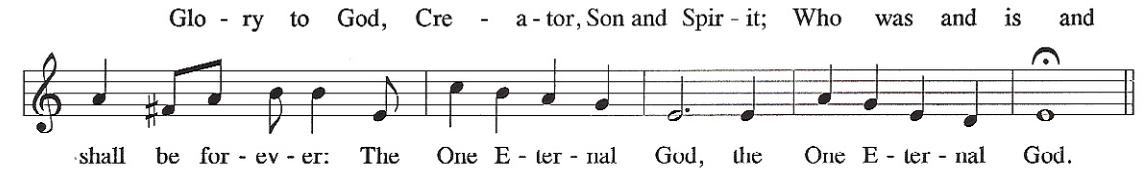
**People: We see grace in the eyes of a child; we taste God’s goodness in a meal with friends; we live God’s peace when we offer justice as a sacrifice for others.**

Pastor: Friends, believe the good news:

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, loved, and freed.  
Thanks be to God**

**\*GLORIA**

*Cornell*



**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

**People: And also with you.**

*Proclaim God's 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**

John 6:35, 41-51  
[p. 98 (NT) in pew Bible]

**SECOND LESSON**

Ephesians 4:25 – 5:1  
[p. 194 (NT) in pew Bible]

**SERMON**

“Imitators of God” —Rev. Roger Au  
“Therefore be imitators of God...and live in love...”  
Ephesians 5:1 (NRSV)

## *Respond to God's Word*

### **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**We believe** in the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.

**We believe** in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

#### **We believe**

- that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another;
- that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain...

[Confession of Belhar]

**\*HYMN NO. 729** “Lord, I Want to be a Christian” *I Want to Be Christian*

### **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 “Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele” *Johannes Brahms*

\*Response “The Doxology” *Old Hundredth*  
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: God, you say yes to each one of us, affirming your promises to us. And so we say yes to you by dedicating these offerings to the expansion of your work in your world. May they be used for ministries of healing, justice, compassion, and love. Amen.**

## *Go in God's Name*

**HYMN NO. 547** “Go, My Children, with My Blessing” *Ar Hydy Nos*

### **\*CHARGE — BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE** “Organ Piece” *Adolph Hesse*

*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 Bea White.

**THE FLOWERS TODAY** are given by the Anokye family.

**THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR TODAY** is provided by the Mvoa-Olama family.

**THIS MONTH’S CARD MINISTRY COORDINATOR** is Cathy Bourgeois.

**THE LEAD ELDER NEXT WEEK** is Mary Massey

**THE SECOND SUNDAY OFFERING** for the month of **August** is the collection of school supplies for Devonshire Alternative Elementary School, our neighborhood school. Cash contributions will be converted into items the school needs most. You may leave your supplies in the box in the front hall.



On Sunday, August 19, we will be having a “**Blessing of the Backpacks**” during our 10:30 a.m. worship service. Students of all ages and teachers heading back to school are invited to bring their backpacks, brief cases, iPhones, or diaper bags, to church for a special time of prayer and blessing.

**SUBS & A PLAY** ♦ Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup>

Fellowship Hour *Make-Your-Own Sub Bar* THEN to Eclipse Theatre for “**100 Saints You Should Know**” featuring Phyllis Heffner. Tickets will be on sale during Fellowship Hour. Hosted by the Hospitality committee.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST & WORSHIP IN THE PARK:** Plan now to attend breakfast and worship in Blendon Woods Metro Park, Sycamore Shelter on Sunday, September 16. Breakfast at 10:00 a.m. followed by worship at 11:00 a.m. Rain or shine. This will be the only worship service on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

**This week August 13 thru August 19**

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| Monday    | 8:00 am-4:00 pm   | Fugees Meetings (MP)  |
| Tuesday   | 8:00 am-4:00 pm<br>3:45 pm<br>6:00 pm–7:00<br>7:30 pm       | Fugees Meetings (MP)<br>Tai Chi Class (Blue Rm.)<br>Fugees Student Open House<br>Finance Mtg. (Blue Room) |
| Wednesday | 8:00 am-4:00 pm<br>9:30 am–10:30 am<br>10:30 am<br>12:30 pm | Fugees Meetings (MP)<br>Fugees Student Open House<br>Prayer Group (Blue Room)<br>Bible Study (Blue Room)  |
| Thursday  | 8:00 am-4:00 pm   | Fugees Meetings (MP)  |
| Friday    | 8:00 am-4:00 pm<br>4:00 pm                                  | Fugees Meetings (MP)<br>Glass Class set-up (MP)   |
| Saturday  | 9:00 am-6:00 pm<br>10:00 am-12:00 pm                        | Glass Class (MP)<br>Fugees Student Open House   |
| Sunday    | 10:30 am<br>11:45 am  | Worship (Sanctuary)<br>Worship Team Mtg.  |

**Church Office Hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 10:00–2:30