

A Word from the Pastor

“...let us also lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us...”

(Hebrews 12:1)

If you haven't figured it out yet, the life of a Christ-follower is not a sprint but a marathon. When you're sprinting you get charged up to release a burst of energy for a short distance, running at top speed. Usain Bolt of Jamaica has run the 100-meter race in 9.58 seconds, which works out to around 23 miles per hour.

A marathon, however, which is a 26-mile race, calls for endurance. (The record, by the way, is just a fraction over 2 hours, set by Eliud Kipchoge of Kenya, which is about 13.7 miles per hour.) Bolt is by far much faster than Kipchoge, but he could never maintain that pace over the long, hard distance of a marathon.

All too often we approach the race of faith as a sprint, but find we quickly lose energy and enthusiasm as the course stretches out far beyond what we can see, and the difficulties mount up day after day. We have somehow gotten into our heads that because we have trusted in Christ, life would be easier instead of harder.

What we need is an honest appraisal of just how difficult it can be to follow Jesus. Paul wrote “We have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed...For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.” (2 Cor. 4:7-11)

This marathon is one of slowly dying to ourselves, day by day, so that the life of Christ might be revealed in us. This race is long, it is hard, and it is often painful. But Paul reminds us, “So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this light momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison...” (2 Cor. 4:16-17) When we feel overwhelmed, remember Jesus ran this race for us, and the Holy Spirit empowers us with endurance to follow in his way.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Ed

The Window View

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October Birthdays



Janice Daniels	October 2	Kayla Rooney	October 10
Kenneth Kitchens	October 3	Isadora Kitchen	October 14
Amanda Iverson	October 4	Chandler Payne	October 15
Sheila Tucker	October 5	Patti Myers	October 16
Tyler Sollie	October 5	Keil Alderson	October 20
Ralph Cauble	October 7	John McGrath IV	October 26
David Wall, Jr.	October 10	Duane Seaborn	October 31

Thank You Bridget!

Bridget Detchemendy, who has faithfully served as our Office Manager for the past four years, is departing in order to work full time in her husband Luke's highly successful roofing company. We are thankful for her good work, and wish her and Luke many blessings for the future. (And if you need a new roof, call Garden City Roofing; they did the work on the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall for St. Andrew, and replaced Rev. Ed's roof; phone #706-910-3696)



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Guidelines for In-Person Worship

We have now resumed worship in the Sanctuary. To ensure the safety of those in attendance, these guidelines must be followed. All who are willing and able to comply are welcome to join us in worship.

1. Masks are mandatory. If you do not have one, one will be provided as you enter. Masks are to be worn at all times. Those who do not wish to wear masks can continue to watch our services on Facebook Live or YouTube. Hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes will be available in the Narthex.
 2. If you are experiencing any symptoms (fever, headache, flu-like symptoms) or have an existing health condition that makes you more susceptible to illness, please stay home and enjoy our services online.
 3. Seating is limited. Ushers will assist with assigning seats. Those who arrive together may sit together; a six-foot distance is required between groups of people and/or individuals. Reservations are not required, but when full capacity is reached the church will be closed. Please arrive in plenty of time; the service will begin promptly at 10:45am. Attendance will be taken to allow for contact tracing.
 4. There will be no socializing inside the church; conversations should be held outside, appropriately distanced, and with masks in place.
 5. Only one person may use the restrooms at a time; those using the facilities must clean all surfaces after using.
 6. The Parlor, Kitchenette, and Fellowship Hall are not to be used. The water fountain will be turned off. Please do not bring food or beverages into the church.
 7. Your offering may be placed in the collection box provided on the table in the Narthex, either before or after the service.
 8. At the conclusion of the service, the Pastor will exit first; ushers will dismiss the congregation by row, beginning at the back of the Sanctuary. Do not congregate inside the church.
 9. Anyone who has tested positive for the virus must have a negative test result before returning to the church campus.
 10. Instructions for taking Communion will be provided later.
- If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Rev. Ed or one of the Elders. Our desire is to gather together as safely as possible. Please be in prayer as we continue to seek God's will for St. Andrew.



Bible in a Year Readings

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| October 1 | Isaiah 10-12, Psalm 85, Acts 8 |
| October 2 | Isaiah 13-14, Psalm 86, Acts 9 |
| October 5 | Isaiah 23-25, Psalm 89:1-29, Acts 12 |
| October 6 | Isaiah 26-28, Psalm 89:30-52, Acts 13 |
| October 7 | Isaiah 29-30, Psalm 90, Acts 14 |
| October 8 | Isaiah 31-33, Psalm 91, Acts 15 |
| October 9 | Isaiah 34-36, Psalm 92, Acts 16 |
| October 10 | Isaiah 37-38, Psalm 93, Acts 17 |
| October 11 | Isaiah 39-41, Psalm 94, Acts 18 |
| October 12 | Isaiah 42-43, Psalm 95, Acts 19 |
| October 13 | Isaiah 44-45, Psalm 96, Acts 20 |
| October 14 | Isaiah 46-48, Psalm 97, Acts 21 |
| October 15 | Isaiah 49-51, Psalm 98, Acts 22 |
| October 16 | Isaiah 52-55, Psalm 99, Acts 23 |
| October 17 | Isaiah 56-58, Psalm 100, Acts 24-25 |
| October 18 | Isaiah 59-62, Psalm 101, Acts 26 |
| October 19 | Isaiah 63-66, Psalm 102, Acts 27 |
| October 20 | Jeremiah 1, Psalm 103, Acts 28 |
| October 21 | Jeremiah 2-3, Psalm 104, Romans 1 |
| October 22 | Jeremiah 4-5, Psalm 105:1-25, Romans 2 |
| October 23 | Jeremiah 6-7, Psalm 105:26-45, Romans 3-4 |
| October 24 | Jeremiah 8-9, Psalm 106:1-23, Romans 5-6 |
| October 25 | Jeremiah 10-12, Psalm 106:24-48, Romans 7 |
| October 26 | Jeremiah 13-14, Psalm 107:1-22, Romans 8 |
| October 27 | Jeremiah 15-17, Psalm 107:23-43, Romans 9-11 |
| October 28 | Jeremiah 18-20, Psalm 108, Romans 12-13 |
| October 29 | Jeremiah 21-22, Psalm 109, Romans 14-15 |
| October 30 | Jeremiah 23-24, Psalm 110, Romans 16 |
| October 31 | Jeremiah 25-26, Psalm 111, 1 Corinthians 1 |



Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church Calendar

October, 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 10:45 am Morning Worship	5	6	7 10:00am Prayer Gathering	8	9	10
11 10:45 am Morning Worship	12 Columbus Day 6:30 pm  <small>Session Meeting</small>	13	14 10:00am Prayer Gathering	15	16	17
18 10:45 am Morning Worship	19	20	21 10:00am Prayer Gathering	22	23	24
25 10:45 am Morning Worship	26	27	28 10:00am Prayer Gathering	29	30	31 Halloween