



SAINT ANDREW

Presbyterian Church

Following Christ – Serving in Love
Engaging the World

Morning Worship
March 31, 2019



WELCOME VISITORS

If you are seeking a Church home, we are always delighted to welcome new members into the Saint Andrew fellowship. If you desire more information about Saint Andrew, please indicate on the friendship pad or speak to the minister after the service

“Accept one another just as Christ accepted you.” (Romans 15:7)
Please enter the Sanctuary quietly to prepare for worship. Today’s Scripture readings and hymns are recommended for your silent meditation and prayer.

Soli Deo Gloria

GATHERING OF GOD’S PEOPLE

Silent Prayer before Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Register. If you are the last person on your row, please tear out the sheet after everyone has signed and place the sheet in the offering plate.)

Hymn

Oh How Good It Is

Oh, how good it is when the family of God,
Dwells together in spirit, in faith and unity;
Where the bonds of peace, of acceptance and love
Are the fruits of His presence here among us.

Chorus:

So with one voice we’ll sing to the Lord,
And with one heart we’ll live out His Word,
Till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come,
And he dwells in the presence of His people.

Oh, how good it is on this journey we share,
To rejoice with the happy, and weep with those who mourn,
For the weak find strength, the afflicted find grace,
When we offer the blessing of belonging.

Chorus

Oh, how good it is to embrace His command
To prefer one another, forgive as He forgives,
When we live as one, we all share in the love
Of the Son with the Father and the Spirit.

Chorus

*INVITATION TO WORSHIP

To all who are weary and need rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares;

To all who fail and desire strength;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

This church opens wide her doors with a greeting from Jesus Christ,

The Healer of the broken, the Defender of the guilty, the Friend of sinners: Welcome!

*OPENING PRAYER

Elder Anne Iverson

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

Congregational Meeting to Elect Officers

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Hymn

I Will Wait for You

Out of the depths I cry to You, in darkest places I will call,
Incline Your ear to me anew, and hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

Chorus

I will wait for You, I will wait for You
On Your Word I will rely.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You,
Till my soul is satisfied.

Were You to count my sinful ways, how could I come before Your throne?
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze, I stand redeemed by grace alone.

Chorus

So put your hope in God alone, take courage in His power to save,
Completely and forever won by Christ's emerging from the grave.

Chorus

He has come to make a way, and God Himself has paid the price,
That all who trust in Him today, find healing in His sacrifice.

Chorus

Responsive Reading

Isaiah 53 (NLT)

Who has believed our message?

To whom has the Lord revealed his powerful arm?

My servant grew up in the Lord's presence like a tender shoot, like a root in dry ground.

There was nothing beautiful or majestic about his appearance, nothing to attract us to him.

He was despised and rejected – a man of sorrows, acquainted with deepest grief.

We turned our backs on him and looked the other way; he was despised and we did not care.

Yet it was our weaknesses he carried; it was our sorrows that weighed him down.

And we thought his troubles were a punishment from God, a punishment for his own sins!

But he was pierced for our rebellion, crushed for our sins.

He was beaten so we could be whole; he was whipped so we could be healed.

All of us, like sheep, have strayed away; we have left God's paths to follow our own.

Yet the Lord laid on him the sins of us all.

He was oppressed and treated harshly, yet he never said a word.

He was led like a lamb to the slaughter,

And as a sheep is silent before the shearers, he did not open his mouth.

Unjustly condemned, he was led away.

No one cared that he died without descendants, that his life was cut short in midstream.

But he was struck down for the rebellion of my people.

He had done no wrong and had never deceived anyone.

But he was buried like a criminal; he was put in a rich man's grave.

But it was the Lord's good plan to crush him and cause him grief.

Yet when his life is made an offering for sin, he will have many descendants.

He will enjoy a long life, and the Lord's good plan will prosper in his hands.

When he sees all that is accomplished by his anguish, he will be satisfied.

And by his knowledge my righteous servant will make many to be counted righteous,

For he will bear all their sins.

I will give him the honors of a victorious soldier because he poured out his soul to death.

He was counted among the rebels, yet he bore their sins, and intercedes for the transgressors.

Jesus, draw me ever nearer as I labor through the storm,
You have called me to this passage, and I'll follow though I'm worn.

Chorus

May this journey bring a blessing, may I rise on wings of faith;
And at the end of my heart's testing with Your likeness let me wake.

Jesus guide me through the tempest; keep my spirit staid and sure;
When the midnight meets the morning, let me love You even more.

Chorus

Let the treasures of the trial form within me as I go,
At the end of this long passage let me leave them at Your throne.

Chorus

Responsive Reading

Psalm 22:1-18 (NLT)

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Why are you so far away when I groan for help?

Every day I call to you, my God, but you do not answer.

Every night I lift my voice, but I find no relief.

Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel

Our ancestors trusted in you, and you rescued them.

They cried out to you and were saved.

They trusted in you and were never disgraced.

But I am a worm and not a man; I am scorned and despised by all.

Every one who sees me mocks me.

They sneer and shake their heads, saying, "Is this the one who relies on the Lord? Then let the Lord save him!

If the Lord loves him so much, let the Lord rescue him!"

Yet you brought me safely from my mother's womb,

And led me to trust you at my mother's breast.

I was thrust into your arms at my birth.

You have been my God from the moment I was born.

Do not stay so far from me, for trouble is near, and no one else can help me.

My enemies surround me like a herd of bulls;

Like lions they open their jaws against me, roaring and tearing into their prey.

My life is poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint.

My heart is like wax, melting within me.

My strength has dried up like sunbaked clay;

My tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth.

You have laid me in the dust and left me for dead.

My enemies surround me like a pack of dogs; an evil gang closes in on me.

They have pierced my hands and feet.

I can count all my bones; my enemies stare at me and gloat.

They divide my garments among themselves and throw dice for my clothing.

Hymn

Bless the Lord, My Soul

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name;

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

MOMENT for SILENT PRAYER

Responsive Prayers of the People with the Lord's Prayer (spoken)

Hymn

Psalm 1 (to the tune of Abide with Me)

These are the ones the Lord our God will bless:

Those who walk not in paths of wickedness;

Those who refuse to stand in sinners' ways;

Those who scoff not at God nor mock his praise.

Steadfast they take delight in all God's law;

With all their heart they meditate in awe;

Planted like trees beside the flowing stream;

Yielding their fruit in time with leaves of green.

In all they do, God's goodness will descend;
Unlike the wicked, chaff upon the wind:
Lost in the judgment that will one day come;
God saves the righteous for their ways are known

Responsive Reading

Psalm 22:19-31(NLT)

O Lord, do not stay far away! You are my strength; come quickly to my aid!

Save me from the sword; spare my precious life from these dogs.

Snatch me from the lion's jaws, and from the horns of these wild oxen.

I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters;

I will praise you among your assembled people.

Praise the Lord! All you who fear him! Honor him, all you descendants of Jacob!

Show him reverence, all you descendants of Israel!

For he has not ignored or belittled the suffering of the needy.

He has not turned his back on them, but has listened to their cries for help.

I will praise you in the great assembly.

I will fulfill my vows in the presence of those who worship you.

The poor will eat and be satisfied; all who seek the Lord will praise him.

Their hearts will rejoice with everlasting joy.

The whole earth will acknowledge the Lord and return to him.

All the families of the nations will bow down before him.

For royal power belongs to the Lord; he rules all the nations.

Let the prosperous of the earth feast and worship.

Bow down before him, all who are mortal, all whose lives will end in dust.

Our children will also serve him;

Future generations will hear about the wonders of the Lord.

His righteous acts will be told to those not yet born.

They will hear about everything he has done.

ANTHEM

He Will Hold Me Fast

Words and Music by Matthew Merker

Arr. by James Koerts

Rev. Ed Rees, Tenor

Travis Shaw, Bass

St. Andrew Choir

RESPONDING TO GOD

GATHERING THE PEOPLES' OFFERING

OFFERTORY Lord of Eternity

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH –

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared, first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God; he is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. In Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

GOING WITH GOD INTO THE WORLD

***THE CHARGE**

***Hymn #67**

Blessed Assurance

***BENEDICTION**

*** All who are able, please stand.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Our Homebound Members: Louis Cook, Evelyn Scudder, Eileen Hoehle, June Johnson, Ann Heaney, Ed Macuch, Bob Wilson, Joyce Howe, Alice Redmon, Al L'Heureux, Marian McKeown, John Stillwell, David Wall

Members and Friends: Pat and Duane Seaborn, Louise Taylor, Jete McCutcheon, Marva Ellison, Bobbie Auld, Tracy and Brian Leopard, Betty Zimmerman, Glynn Moore, Dorothy and Frank Heckendorn, Jim Elder's Mother, Shirley Hizer, Steve Glover and Family, Renewal in the Church, Judy Shurtleff, Dr. Anna Story, Ivett Andrews, Mikki Evans, Brian Hatcher, Sheila Tucker, Kathey Elder's Mother, Liddy Lofton, Karen Hickman, Judy McDowell's niece, Karen Winburn's Father, Maria Tribby, Becky Ryals, Charlie Wier, Jr., Cheyenne Roby, Glenn Pearce, Shirley Macuch, Anthony Riska, Robbie, Amy and Thomas Scott, Family of Chuck Cornelius, those who have lost loved ones to suicide, the Persecuted Church, those serving in our armed forces, and those who do not yet know Jesus

Catechism Question of the Week

Q 9 What does God require in the first, second, and third commandments?

First, that we know and trust God as the only true and living God. Second, that we avoid all idolatry and do not worship God improperly. Third, that we treat God's name with fear and reverence, honoring also his Word and works.

(Adapted by Timothy Keller and Sam Shammas from the Reformation catechisms. Copyright © 2012 by Redeemer Presbyterian Church)

THIS WEEK AT SAINT ANDREW

March 31- April 6

Today	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Coffee & Fellowship
	10:45 am	Morning Worship
	TF	POT LUCK
	4:00- 5:00 pm	Christ the King
Monday	6:30 pm	Session Meeting
Tuesday	11:00 am	Chapel Study (Harrington Park)
	2:00 pm	Knitting Circle
Wednesday	11:00 am	Prayer Gathering
	6:00 pm	Brown Bag Fellowship
	6:30 pm	Prayer, Share & Study
	7:15 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	7:00 pm	Prayer Group (Kershner home)

Lay Readers this month: Carolyn Lee

Offering Collectors this month: Sandra Bailey & Sheila Tucker

Greeter this month: Mary Dickens & Judy McDowell

Door Keeper this month: Keil Alderson

Attendance Last Week: 61

Fellowship Snacks Provided by:

GAP ITEMS OF THE MONTH

BOXES OF CEREAL

Please place items in the decorated container in the parlor, remembering that if you forget to bring an item, you are welcome to contribute cash or checks (made payable to GAP Ministries).

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Sunday School 9:30 am
Sunday Morning Fellowship 10:15 am
Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 am
Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6 pm

We're collecting filled plastic eggs for the Easter morning egg hunt! There's a special tote in the parlor waiting for donations.