

Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church  
January 14, 2018      2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany      10:30 AM

**\*The Prayer of Dedication** *(In Unison)*

Most merciful God, all that we have and all that we are is a gift of your grace. You call us, you name us, you watch over us with care. We offer these gifts in gratitude for your goodness. Use them to extend your kingdom, through the grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

**The Church Goes Forth to Serve**

**\*The Hymn #525**      "Here I Am, Lord"      *(Presby Hymnal)*

**\*The Benediction**

**\*The Benediction Response**      "Amen"      Chancel Choir

**\*The Postlude**      ~~~~~



**The Church in Preparation**

**The Prelude**

The Lighting of the Candles  
Announcements  
Exchange of Greetings

**Introit**

"At the Font We Start Our Journey"      Chancel Choir

**The Call to Worship**

Kevin Golden

Leader: God invites us into relationship, saying:

**People: "Follow me. Come and see."**

Leader: God calls us into service, saying:

**People: "Follow me. Come and see."**

Leader: God uses our ordinary gifts and our everyday lives, saying:

**People: "Follow me. Come and see."**

Leader: God leads us ever deeper into the mystery of faith, saying:

**People: "Follow me. Come and see."**

**The Opening Prayer** *(In Unison)*

Lord, your steadfast love and goodness know no bounds. You have reached out to us in Christ Jesus and called us by name. You have touched us with your Spirit, and turned our hearts toward you. Empower us to worship you and to serve you, walking gently on this earth, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen

**\*The Opening Hymn #485**      "To God Be the Glory"      *(Presby Hymnal)*

(Ushers will collect prayer requests. Please pass them to the center aisle.)

\*The people will rise in body or spirit

**The Prayer of Confession** *(In Unison)*

Loving God, we confess that we are not the disciples you call us to be. You ask us to follow you but we are afraid to move. You invite us into a future filled with possibility but we cling to the patterns of the past. Forgive us, Lord. Grant us the courage to trust your call and to follow where you lead. Empower us to share your grace and love, through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

**A Time of Silent Confession**

**The Assurance of Pardon**

**The Congregation Sings in Response** "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. Amen.

**The Church in Proclamation**

**The Scripture Reading**

1 Samuel 3: 1 – 10  
John 1:43 - 51

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Leader: The word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God**

**The Anthem**

"All Is Well"

Jeanette Nestor

**The Micro Message**

Susan Moon

**The Congregation Sings in Response** "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew  
That I may love what Thou dost love,  
And do what Thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Until my heart is pure,  
Until with Thee I will one will,  
To do and to endure.

**The Sermon**

"Come and See"

Rev. Merry Meloy

**The Hymn #377**

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

*(Presby Hymnal)*

**The Church Responds**

**\*The Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed** *(In Unison)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**The Prayers of the People and 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.

**The Offertory Invitation**

For love's sake, God sent Christ among us, to guide us, to lead us, and to save us. For love's sake, we respond with open hands and open hearts. Let us bring before the Lord our tithes and offerings

As the offering plates are being passed, please sign and pass the Friendship Registers located at the end of your pews. Thank you!

**The Offertory**

"Organ Offertory"

Chuck Davey

**\*The Congregation Sings in Response #6** "Praise God,..."

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**This Week at Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church**

**Sunday, January 14, 2018**

9:15 AM – Youth Sunday School  
10:30 AM – Worship  
11:30 AM – Congregational Luncheon

**Monday, January 15, 2018  
Office Closed**

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Tuesday, January 16, 2018**

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous  
6:30 PM – Session

**Wednesday, January 17, 2018**

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous  
5:00 PM – Community Dinner – Meridian  
5:00 PM – Mid-Week Youth Program  
8:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Thursday, January 18, 2018**

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous  
6:15 PM – Canticle Ringers  
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir

**Friday, January 19, 2018**

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Saturday, January 20, 2018**

**Next Sunday, January 21, 2018  
*Remembrance Sunday***

9:15 AM – Youth Sunday School  
10:30 AM – Worship

Worship Attendance for January 7, 2017: 39

**Worship Leadership**

**Ushers:** Dale Hutchison Ben Grossman Chuck King Pat Bopp  
**Acolyte:** TBA **Next Week:** TBA  
**Liturgist:** Kevin Golden **Next Week:** Susan Race  
**Micro Message:** Susan Moon **Next Week:** None  
**Flower Delivery:** Donna O' Day **Next Week:** Sharon Johnson  
**Open the Church:** Paul Perry **Next Week:** Paul Perry  
**Close the Church :** Dawn Grossman **Next Week:** Thalia McGrady

**Prayer Requests** can be made by using the purple prayer request cards found in the pew racks. Pass your requests to the center aisle during the Opening Hymn. They will be distributed to our Prayer Team to be included in this week's prayers.

**Restrooms:** From the front of the sanctuary, use the left entrance (by the piano) and follow the hallway to the right. The restrooms are down the hall on the left. From the rear of the sanctuary, turn left and go downstairs. The restrooms are at the end of the hallway.

**Child Care:** The Church Nursery is available for children through kindergarten age. To find the nursery, please go to the left front entrance of the sanctuary and follow the hallway to the right. The nursery is on the left. If your child would like to be rocked during worship, a rocking chair is available on the left side of the sanctuary.



**Congregational Luncheon Today**

The Nurture Team is hosting a "Reach Out to Hold a Hand and Warm a Heart" luncheon today after worship in the Memorial Room. We hope you'll stay and enjoy a lunch of soup, finger foods, drinks and desserts to symbolize and celebrate our church's goal of increasing our outreach. See you there!



## Happy Birthday

January 16  
January 17

Peggy Pisani  
Lila Albert

## Remembrance Sunday



Our annual Service of Remembrance will be held during worship next Sunday, January 21, 2018. If you would like to have a rose placed in memory of a loved one who died in 2017, please contact the church office by Tuesday, January 16, so we can include their name in the bulletin. Thanks.

## Communion Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>



We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper together during worship on Sunday, January 28, 2018. Please join us!

## Annual Congregational Meeting



The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 28, 2018 following worship. Please plan on staying.

## New Flower Calendar for 2018



Would you like to donate the chancel flowers for one or more worship services? The Flower Calendar for 2018 is in the narthex. Please sign up for a Sunday or two. Don't forget to tell us if the flowers are in honor or in memory of someone, or if they are to commemorate an important date. The flowers you donate are yours to take home after the worship service, or you may leave them and a Deacon will take them to one of our homebound members. The cost is \$40. Thank you!



## 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook-Off

Join us for a Mid-Winter Warm Up  
in the Bethany Room



Saturday, January 27, 2018  
5 pm —7 pm

Vote for your favorite chili made by  
various local restaurants and chefs:

Butler Memorial Hospital  
Eat' N Park  
King's  
Slippery Rock University

Chili's  
Fairground Market  
Natili's

**Tickets are Now Available**  
**\$6 Presale or \$10 At the Door**  
**Please note: Tickets must be paid for when purchased**



Basket Auction



Great Fellowship



Bake Sale

Benefits: Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church  
and Operation Spay Neuter of Butler County

Special Thanks to Our Sponsors:

Gold Sponsors: Moraine Grove Veterinary Clinic  
Silver Sponsors: Martin's Sales & Service  
Suburban Animal Clinic  
Bronze Sponsors: Barnyard Kennels  
Cunningham Shanor  
Whispering Winds Kennel

## January 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Mission Offering

Saint Andrews' First Sunday Mission Offering in January goes to the McKee Memorial Fund to help support the work of Jim and Jodi McGill. After serving in Malawi for more than twenty years, the McGills recently moved to Niger where they will continue their work in water/sanitation and health. A geological engineer, Jim is working with the Evangelical Church in the Republic of Niger (EERN) and the Presbyterian Church of South Sudan to provide clean water and sanitation to communities in rural Niger and South Sudan. Jim's wife Jodi is a nurse and public health educator. She is helping the EERN develop church-run health clinics and train students in its new nursing school.

Located south of Libya and west of Chad, Niger is one of the poorest countries in Africa. Fewer than 50% of its children are enrolled in school and its annual per capita GDP is around \$800. Farming is limited by frequent draughts and the country's vast desert regions are growing due to lack of rain, excessive cultivation, overgrazing and deforestation. While most Nigerians are Muslim, the government is secular and there is an openness to the gospel.

The circumstances in South Sudan are even more challenging. Though the region has abundant natural resources, decades of civil war have left the country's infrastructure in ruins and its people traumatized. In 2015, a fragile peace was established. A year later, new waves of violence erupted. The conflict has caused widespread famine and displaced more than 3 million people. The Presbyterian Church (USA) has been involved in Sudan for more than 100 years and has longstanding relationships with several partner churches there.

To help support the McGill's work, simply use the envelope marked "McKee Missions Offering" in the January section of the Saint Andrews giving envelope booklet, use a "First Sunday Mission Offering" envelope from the pew racks, or write "McKee Missions Offering" on the memo line of your check. Thank you!



## Mid-Week Youth Program Starts Wednesday January 17<sup>th</sup> 5:15 pm—7:15 pm \*

\* Please note: This Wednesday, January 17, we'll start at 5:00 pm.

Join us for an evening of fun, fellowship, music and Bible Study. Our Mid-Week Youth Program starts on Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>.

Our usual schedule is:

5:15—5:45 Instrumental Music

5:45—6:45 Dinner and Bible Study/Discussion

6:45—7:15 Bells

Bring a friend and come!

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### A Request from Our Youth

*As many of you know, during the school year, we meet on Wednesday evenings here at the church. After a long day of school, some of us have only a few minutes to stop at home before we head back out the door. Some of us don't have time to go home at all. So we love being able to have dinner together in the Memorial Room. Sharing a meal and fellowship is one of our favorite parts of the evening and that's why we need your help.*

*Could you feed us one Wednesday evening during the school year? We aren't hard to please . . . chicken nuggets, hot dogs, corn dogs, and mac and cheese are always a hit. We LOVE breakfast for dinner. Pizza (frozen or delivery) works too. Throw in a beverage (and sometimes even a treat) and dinner is served. We're not picky. But we're growing fast so we are hungry!!*

*A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Stephanie Slezak or talk to any of our moms. On a typical Wednesday evening, there are 10-12 youth. Dinner is served at 5:45 pm.*

*Thanks so much for your love, support, and most of all your prayers for us as we grow as Christians. We feel blessed to call you all our church family!*

*The Youth*