

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

Gracious God, your Son laid down his life in witness to your love for all people. Inspire us to follow his example of sacrificial love and giving. Use our gifts and our lives to share your healing grace. Empower us to love as you have loved us. Amen.

**The Church Goes Forth to Serve**

**\*The Closing Hymn #276** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" *(Presby Hymnal)*

**\*The Benediction**

**\*The Postlude** ~~~~~

**~Welcome to Saint Andrews~**

The Church Nursery is available for children through kindergarten age



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# Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

June 25, 2017

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM

**The Church in Preparation**

**The Prelude**

The Lighting of the Candles  
Announcements  
Exchange of Greetings

Kevin Golden

**Introit #455**

"All Creatures of Our God and King"  
All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

*(Presby Hymnal)*

Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**The Call to Worship**

Thalia McGrady

Leader: Praise the Lord, all you nations!  
**People: Give thanks to God, all you peoples!**  
Leader: For God's steadfast love is great,  
**People: And God's faithfulness endures forever.**  
All: **Let us worship God.**  
**Let us praise the Lord!**

*(Psalm 117, adapted)*

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

God of love, you know us better than we know ourselves. You know our hopes and our dreams. You know our worries and our fears. Be with us in this time of worship. Open our minds to your word. Open our spirits to your transforming grace. Open our hearts to your heart so that your love may grow within us and be shared through us to bless your world. Amen.

**\*The Opening Hymn #488** "The God of Abraham Praise" *(Presby Hymnal)*

(Ushers will collect prayer requests. Please pass them to the side aisles.)

\*The people will rise in body or spirit

### **The Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, from the beginning, you have reached out to us in love. You have embraced us as your children; you have claimed us as your own. And from the beginning, we have rebelled. We have ignored your presence; we have doubted your promises; we have resisted your love. Forgive us, Lord. Empower us to turn to you with open hearts and listening spirits. Help us walk by faith. Help us to trust in your life-giving love, through the grace of Christ. 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**

Genesis 18:1 – 15, 21:1 - 7

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Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God**

### **The Anthem**

“TBA”

Deanna Golden

### **Micro Message**

Pastor Merry

### **The Congregation Sings in Response #403** “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

What a friend we have in Jesus,  
All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
Everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what need-less pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry  
Everything to God in prayer!

### **The Sermon**

“God’s Laughter”

Rev. Merry Meloy

### **The Hymn #275**

“God of Our Life”

(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**

Everything we have comes from God. Everything we own is on loan to us from the Lord of all creation. In gratitude for God’s bounty and goodness, let us bring before the Lord our gifts and offerings.

Please sign and pass the Friendship Registers located near the center aisle.  
Thank you!

### **The Offertory**

“Organ Offertory”

Chuck Davey

### **\*The Congregation Sings in Response #428** “We Give Thee but Thine Own”

We give Thee but Thine own,  
Whate’er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone,  
A trust, O Lord, from Thee

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

**Sunday, June 25, 2017**  
10:30 AM – Worship

**Monday, June 26, 2017**  
11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous  
7:00 PM – Area Church Meeting

**Tuesday, June 27, 2017**  
11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Wednesday, June 28, 2017**  
11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous  
5:00 PM – Community Dinner – Faith/Covenant  
8:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Thursday, June 29, 2017**  
11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Friday, June 30, 2017**  
11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Saturday, July 1, 2017**

**Next Sunday, July 2, 2017**  
10:30 AM – Worship with Communion—Welcome Covenant!  
11:30 AM – Indoor Fourth of July Picnic

Worship Attendance for June 18, 2017: 62

**Worship Leadership**

**Ushers:** Rick Kelley      Anzie Kelley      Shari Manos      Kristen Mowery  
**Acolyte:** Kevin Golden      **Next Week:** Ben Grossman  
**Liturgist:** Thalia McGrady      **Next Week:** TBA  
**Micro Message:** None      **Next Week:** None  
**Children’s Church:** TBA      **Next Week:** TBA  
**Flower Delivery:** Chuck King      **Next Week:** Donna O’ Day  
**Open the Church:** Paul Perry      **Next Week:** Paul Perry  
**Close the Church :** Dan Hawks      **Next Week:** Janice King

**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.

**Children’s Church** is usually offered on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month for everyone through 4<sup>th</sup> grade. It begins after the children’s message and runs through the end of worship. On the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month and on special Sundays, children are invited to remain in worship with their families or go to the nursery, which is open to anyone through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade on those Sundays.

**Joint Worship with Communion Next Sunday**

Our brothers and sisters from Covenant will be joining us next Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>. We’ll celebrate Communion during worship and then gather for an indoor Fourth of July Picnic in the Memorial Room. Please plan on staying so we can give our friends a warm Saint Andrews welcome!





## All in the Family

The sympathy and resurrection faith of the congregation go out to Martha Barto and her family. Martha's granddaughter, Melissa Barto, died several weeks ago. Please keep Martha, Melissa's parents Dan and Lisa, her brother, and her six year old daughter, Lexie, in your prayers.

## Happy Birthday to:

June 29 Justin Mulneix

June 30 Ken Weckerly



## Coffee Hour Changes

We are trying out a new set up for our fellowship time before worship. We are now providing individually wrapped breakfast snacks, juice boxes, and single cups of coffee. If you have a favorite breakfast snack or "k-cups" you'd like to share, please feel free to bring them in. Everything is set up in the Memorial Room. Enjoy!

## Celebration Breakfast

A huge thank you to everyone who helped host the End-of-School Celebration on Sunday, June 5th! The food and fellowship were wonderful. Special thanks to Mary Ann Hazlett, Barb Hutchison, Dave and Carol Landis, and Shari Manos for the scrumptious breakfast, Esther Radvinski for the great decorations, and Esther, Jon McKay and the Nurture Team for planning and organizing the event!



## Summer Office Hours

Summer hours at the church office have begun. The office will be closed on Mondays and Fridays. Tuesday through Thursday, it will be open from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm. Regular office hours will resume on Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. The office will be closed from Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> through Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> while Danielle takes a well-deserved vacation.

## Got Dessert?



Saint Andrews needs a few good bakers. We are supplying desserts for Meals on Wheels for the month of July. Ideas for baked goods include:

Cookies—No Nuts or Icing

Gingerbread

Cupcakes—No Icing

Bundt Cakes—No Icing

Pies—All Kinds Except Cream

Angel Food Cakes

Please have the items packed for the freezer. Baked goods can be delivered to St. Peter's Episcopal Church, at the corner of Jefferson & Cliff Streets, Monday through Friday, from 8 am to 10 am. Please contact Barb Hutchison at (724) 285-4194 if you have any questions or plan on baking in July. Thank you so much for helping!