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**Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church**

**October 15, 2017**

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**10:30 AM**

**The Church in Preparation**

**The Prelude**

The Lighting of the Candles

Danielle Golden

Announcements

Exchange of Greetings

**Introit**

“O That I Had a Thousand Voices”

Chancel Choir

**The Call to Worship**

Kevin Moon

Leader: Through all generations, God has been our dwelling place.

**People: Before the mountains were brought forth.**

Leader: Before the earth and the world were created.

**People: From everlasting to everlasting, God is.**

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

Gracious God, like a loving parent, you nurture and encourage and challenge us to grow in grace. Awaken us to your presence here among us this morning. Open our eyes to your possibilities. Open our hearts to your voice. Deepen our commitment so that we may be more faithful servants of your will and agents of your love. Amen.

**\*The Opening Hymn #69**

“Great Is the Lord”

*(Sing to the Lord)*

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

**The Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, you have called us to be your people but like our ancestors, we have gone astray. We dedicate our lives to the false gods of security, prosperity, and reputation. We worship idols of our own creation. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to respond to you with trust, love, and service. Help us to live faithfully as your chosen people, through the grace of Christ. Amen.

**A Time of Silent Confession**

**The Assurance of Pardon**

\*The people will rise in body or spirit

**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**      Exodus 20: 1 – 6      O.T. Page 66  
Exodus 32: 1 – 14      O.T. Page 78  
Leader: The word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God**

**The Anthem**      “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”      Canticleer Ringers

**The Micro Message**      Dawn Grossman

**\*The Congregation Sings in Response**      “Though I May Speak”  
Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control  
Our spirits long to be made whole.  
Let inward love guide every deed;  
By this we worship and are freed.

**The Sermon**      “Putting First Things First”      Rev. Merry Meloy

**The Hymn #447**      “O for a Faith That Will Not Shrink”      *(Sing to the Lord)*

**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**

God calls us to service, not as a way to earn God’s love, but to express our appreciation for the love God has already given. In gratitude for all that Christ is and all that he has done, let us bring before the Lord our tithes and offerings.

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

**The Offertory**

“Let There Be Peace”      Chancel Men

**\*The Congregation Sings in Response**      “Halle, Halle, Halleluja”  
Hal-le, Hal-le, Hal-le-lu-ja!  
Hal-le, Hal-le, Hal-le-lu-ja!  
Hal-le, Hal-le, Hal-le-lu-ja!  
Hal-le-lu-ja! Hal-le-lu-ja!  
*(Repeat)*

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

Loving God, we offer you the fruit of our labor, our love, and our lives. Send us forth with strengthened hands and renewed hearts so that we may serve you fully and faithfully. Help us to glorify you in all that we do and all that we say, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**The Church Goes Forth to Serve**

**\*The Hymn #96**      “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”      *(Sing to the Lord)*

**\*The Benediction**

**\*The Benediction Response**      “Amen”      Chancel Choir

**\*The Postlude**      ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

**~Welcome to Saint Andrews~**

The Church Nursery is available for children through kindergarten age

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

**Sunday, October 15, 2017**

10:30 AM – Worship  
11:45 AM – Nurture Team  
7:00 PM – B'nai Abraham Sanctuary Rededication Service

**Monday, October 16, 2017**

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous  
7:00 PM – Butler Area Churches Planning Mtg @ Covenant

**Tuesday, October 17, 2017**

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous  
3:00 PM – VOICe Event  
6:30 PM – Session

**Wednesday, October 18, 2017**

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous  
5:00 PM – Community Dinner – Hill  
5:15 PM – Youth Program  
6:15 PM – Indoor Yard Sale Set-Up  
8:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Thursday, October 19, 2017**

9:00 AM – Indoor Yard Sale Set-Up  
11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous  
6:15 PM – Canticle Ringers  
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir

**Friday, October 20, 2017**

9:00 AM – Indoor Yard Sale  
11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Saturday, October 21, 2017**

9:00 AM – Indoor Yard Sale

**Next Sunday, October 22, 2017**

9:15 AM – Sunday School  
10:30 AM – Worship—Welcome “Uptown Girls”

Worship Attendance for October 8, 2017: 70

**Worship Leadership**

**Ushers:** Chuck King      Bob Gladd      Kristen Mowery      Shari Manos  
**Acolyte:** Danielle Golden  
**Liturgist:** Kevin Moon  
**Micro Message:** Dawn Grossman  
**Flower Delivery:** Mary Ann Hazlett  
**Open the Church:** Paul Perry  
**Close the Church :** Dan Mulneix

**Next Week:** Kevin Golden  
**Next Week:** Dave White  
**Next Week:** None  
**Next Week:** Carol Israel  
**Next Week:** Paul Perry  
**Next Week:** Janice King

**The Flowers** today are given by Caroline Mahood in memory of her mother and sister.

**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.

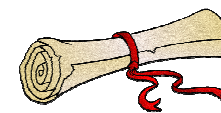
**Restrooms:** From the front of the sanctuary, use the left entrance (by the piano) and follow the hallway to the right. The restrooms are down the hall on the left. From the rear of the sanctuary, turn left and go downstairs. The restrooms are at the end of the hallway.

**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.



Happy Birthday to Corky Mowery (Oct 18<sup>th</sup>)

**Sanctuary Re-dedication Service  
This Evening**



You're invited! Our friends and neighbors at Congregation B'nai Abraham are celebrating the renovation of their sanctuary with a Re-dedication Service this evening at 7:00 pm. They've asked us to come share in their joy. The service will include an unrolling of the Torah around the perimeter of the new sanctuary space, singing, dancing, and music by the Rodef Shalom Choir from Pittsburgh. A festive dessert and fellowship will follow. The synagogue is located on 519 N. Main Street. Please let Pastor Merry know if you'd like to attend. Thanks!



## Uptown Girls to Visit Next Sunday

On Sunday, October 22, we'll be treated to the sounds of the local vocal group, Uptown Girls, during worship. The group includes 24 young women under the direction of Kathy Sawyer. They'll be providing a variety of music throughout the service. Please plan on coming early that morning. The girls will start to sing around 10:15 am.

## Saint Andrews Indoor Yard Sale October 20 – 21 9:00 am – 2:00 pm \$2.00 Bag Sale Starts at 1:00 pm on Saturday

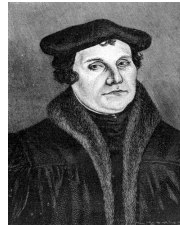


If you can help with the Indoor Yard Sale, please let Anzie Kelley know. Helpers are needed for set up this Wednesday, October 18, at 6:15 pm, Thursday, October 19, starting at 9:00 am, and on Friday, October 20, and Saturday, October 21, (the days of the sale). Please give an hour or two to either help set up, work the sale, or clean up afterwards. Thanks! We just can't do it without you!!



## Scottish/Reformation Sunday October 29, 2017

Join us as we celebrate our Presbyterian heritage during our annual Scottish Sunday on October 29, 2017.



This year, in honor of the 500 year anniversary of the start of the Reformation, we'll be adding some German elements to our Scottish celebration.

Don't worry. We aren't trading in our kilts for lederhosen. ☺

The service will still include special music by bagpiper Lars Morrison and Scottish fiddler Melinda Crawford.

After worship, we'll gather for a luncheon in the Memorial Room. The meal will include a variety of traditional Scottish and German foods.

Musical entertainment will be provided by Melinda and her husband and accompanist Dan Perttu.

Melinda is a U.S. National Scottish Fiddler Champion and Director of the Strathgheny School of Fiddling at Westminster College, where she is a professor. In addition to performing and teaching, she is also an award winning composer.

It's a privilege to have her with us. Invite your friends and come!



## Building Fund Update (As of September 30th)



Project	Donations to Date	Target Amount	% Raised
A/C Fund	\$37,835	\$72,000	52.55%

Good news! We've paid off over half the cost of the new air conditioning/heating system for the sanctuary. In 2013, we borrowed money from our endowments to fund some much needed renovations. These included upgrades to the electrical system in the Bethany Room and church kitchen, the new ramp, and the new air conditioning/heating system in the sanctuary.

To date, we have raised over \$84,000 (about two-thirds of the total cost of all three projects). We have approximately \$34,000 to go. But we need your help to get there! To make a donation, just use the "Offering for Saint Andrews' Building Improvements" envelope in your giving envelope booklet or write "Building Fund" on the memo line of your check. Thank you in advance for your generous giving!

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



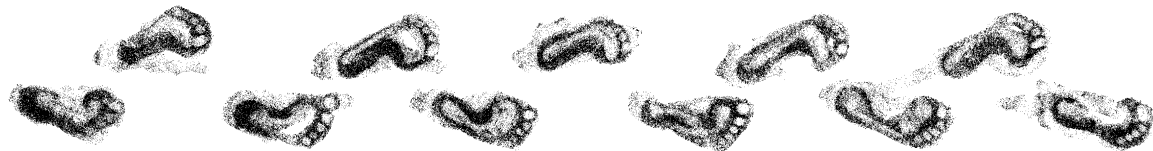
Saint Andrews' First Sunday Mission Offering in October goes to the McKee Memorial Fund. Money from this fund is used to support Presbyterian mission co-workers Jim and Jodi McGill. A geological engineer, Jim works with the Evangelical Church in the Republic of Niger (EERN) and the Presbyterian Church 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.

Earlier this year, the Mission Team and Session committed to raising \$1,000 in support of the McGills' work. Thanks to your generous giving, we have now met that goal! So from now to the end of the year, any additional money given to the McKee Memorial Fund will go to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to support hurricane relief efforts.

As you all know, the southern United States and portions of the Caribbean have been battered by a series of storms. At the end of August, Hurricane Harvey stalled over Texas. The storm dumped more than 50 inches of rain on some areas, causing historic flooding and millions of dollars of damage. Then Irma churned through Florida. A few weeks later, the U.S. territory of Puerto Rico took a direct hit from Marie. Winds over 150 mph downed trees and tore apart buildings while torrential rains washed out roads and bridges. Weeks later, much of the island remains without power, clean water, and reliable communication.

We can help. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is the emergency response program of our denomination and assists communities with long-term recovery following a catastrophic event or natural disaster. PDA is already on the ground in Texas and Florida, working with local congregations and Presbyteries as well as other relief agencies. Disaster response teams will also be heading to Puerto Rico as soon as the infrastructure has been repaired enough to sustain long-term relief efforts.

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



## Mid-Week Youth Program Wednesdays 5:15 pm—7:15 pm

Join us for an evening of fun, fellowship, music and Bible Study.  
Our Mid-Week Youth Program (yes, we need a new name!)

meets on Wednesday evening.

Our 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*