

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

Communion Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Distribution of Elements

(Please wait until all have been served so that
we may share the bread and cup together)

Prayer

The Church Goes Forth to Serve

*The Closing Hymn #63 "As with Gladness Men of Old" (Presby Hymnal)

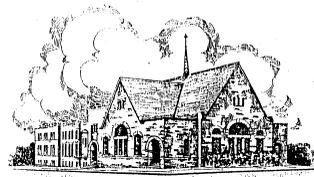
*The Benediction

*The Benediction Response "Amen" Chancel Choir

*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

January 5, 2020

Epiphany Sunday

10:30 AM

The Church in Preparation

The Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Exchange of Greetings

Organist Chuck Davey

The Introit

"Joy to the World!"

Chancel Choir

The Call to Worship

Susan Moon

Leader: Arise! Shine, for your light has come!

People: **The glory of the Lord has risen among us.**

Leader: In Jesus Christ, God has shown us love,
Giving light to illuminate our darkness,
and strength for all our days.

People: **Let us open our eyes to the presence of God.**

Leader: Let our hearts rejoice and be radiant with hope.

The Opening Prayer (In Unison)

Merciful God, we praise you for sending your light, Jesus Christ, into the world. Like a star in a clear winter sky, the brightness of your love guides us through the darkness. The hope of your salvation chases away the shadow of our sin and despair. We come to worship you, rejoicing in your presence, overwhelmed by your goodness. Amen.

*The Opening Hymn #56

"The First Nowell"

(Presby Hymnal)

(Verses 1, 3, 5, & 6)

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

The Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

Gracious God, you call us to be the light of the world, yet we often fail to radiate your love and goodness. We bear grudges against our neighbors, while it is your nature to forgive. We hold tightly to our possessions, while Christ blesses the poor. You call us to paths of peace, yet we live in turmoil. Forgive us, Lord. Cast out our sin, as light casts out darkness. Fill us with your Spirit and live in us, that we might live for you. Amen.

*The people will rise in body or spirit

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

Matthew 2: 1 - 12
Leader: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God

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The Sermon

Rev. Merry Meloy

The Hymn #66

“We Three Kings of Orient Are”
(Verses 1 & 2)

(Presby Hymnal)

The Church Responds

*The Affirmation of Faith – The Nicene Creed (Ecumenical)

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

All: We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

Organ Side: For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

Pulpit Side: For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

Organ Side: On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father.

Pulpit Side: He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

All: We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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

The riches God entrusts to us cannot bring joy when they are tightly held and hoarded. They are a delight only when shared. With open hands and hearts, 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

“Halleluia”
Vocals: Dan Mulneix

*The Hymn #66

“We Three Kings of Orient Are”
(Verses 3 - 5)

(Presby Hymnal)

*The Prayer of Dedication (In Unison)

Like the wise men of old, we bring you our gifts, O Lord. Use these offerings and our lives to further your ministry. Empower us to be instruments of your peace, compassion, and justice. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

The Hymn #68

“What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright”

(Presby Hymnal)

This Week at Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

Sunday, January 5, 2020

10:30 AM – Worship with Communion
11:45 AM – Nurture Team

Monday, January 6, 2020
Annual Report Deadline

12:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

12:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous
6:30 PM – Deacons

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

12:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous
5:00 PM – Community Dinner (Hill)
8:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

Thursday, January 9, 2020

12:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous
6:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous Book Study
6:15 PM – Canticle Ringers
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir

Friday, January 10, 2020

12:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday, January 11, 2020

Next Sunday, January 12, 2020

10:30 AM – Worship, Welcome Rev. Clark Sawyer

Worship Attendance for December 22, 2019: 59

Happy New Year ♪ *Happy New Year* ♪ *Happy New Year*

Worship Leadership

Ushers: Jon McKay	Natalie McKay	Paul Perry	Peggy Douthett
Liturgist: Susan Moon			Next Week: Dale Hutchison
Micro Message: None			Next Week: None
Flower Delivery: Barb Hutchison			Next Week: Melinda Ripper
Open the Church: Paul Perry			Next Week: Paul Perry
Close the Church: Susan Moon			Next Week: Dennis Rodgers

The Flowers today are given by Dan and Kendra Mulneix in memory of Edith Weckerly's birthday.

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

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.



Pastor Merry Away

Pastor Merry will be out of town from Monday, January 6, through Monday, January 13, for study leave and some time with her mother. While she's away, Rev. Mary Kitchen will be available in case of emergencies. If you have a pastoral care need or concern, please call Danielle at our church office (724-287-4777), or Rev. Kitchen (412-266-0930). Next Sunday, January 12, Rev. Clark Sawyer will be leading us in worship. Please welcome him!



All in the Family

The sympathy and resurrection faith of the congregation go out to:

The family and friends of Doris Gallino. Doris died on Sunday, December 22, 2019.

The family and friends of Mary Turk. Mary died on Sunday, December 29, 2019.

The family and friends of Dr. Swamikan Nallathambi. Dr. Nallathambi died on Sunday, December 29, 2019.



Happy Birthday to Laura Campbell (January 8)

A Note of Thanks

We wish to thank Pastor Merry and our church family for their outpouring of love and support during the difficult birth and ultimate death of our precious great-grandson, Waylon Ries Phillips (October 1, 2019 - October 7, 2019).

Barb and Russ Thomas

Thank You!

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the Christmas Eve service so special. Thank you for playing, singing, ringing, reading, leading, greeting, ushering, and providing tech support. Your time and talents are deeply appreciated!!

Remembrance Sunday, January 19th



Our annual Service of Remembrance will be held during worship on Sunday, January 19, 2020. If you would like to have a rose placed in memory of a loved one who died in 2019, please contact the church office by Tuesday, January 14, so we can include their name in the bulletin. Thanks!

2020 Giving Envelopes Now Available

To save on postage, we are asking you to pick up your giving envelopes for the new year. They are displayed alphabetically on the table in the Narthex. Please be sure to use the new envelopes. If you use 2019 envelopes in 2020, your giving could be credited to someone else's account.



New Flower Calendar for 2020

Would you like to donate the chancel flowers for one or more worship services?

The Flower Calendar for 2020 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!



Annual Report Deadline Monday, January 6th



All teams and committees must have their Annual Reports to the church office by Monday, January 6, so they can be printed by Sunday, January 19, 2020. Thank you in advance for keeping this deadline.

January First Sunday Mission Offering

Saint Andrews' First Sunday Mission Offering in January will go to the McKee Memorial Fund to help support the work of Jim and Jodi McGill. 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 McGills' 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!



13th Annual Chili Cook-Off

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

Saturday, January 25, 2020
5 pm — 7 pm

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

Tickets are Now Available

\$7 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*

Christmas Cookie Walk Thank You

A huge thank you to everyone who helped with this year's Christmas Cookie Walk! Nearly 300 dozen cookies were sold, bringing our total earnings to \$1,725.00.

Special thanks to everyone who baked. We had an amazing variety of mouth-watering goodies! Thanks also to everyone who cheerfully served customers, restocked trays, and helped set up and clean up. The money you all helped raise will go to Saint Andrews' General Fund. Again, thank you!!

