

**Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church**  
**October 1, 2017**                      **World Communion Sunday**                      **10:30 AM**

**The Church in Preparation**

**The Prelude**

The Lighting of the Candles    Lily Hawks  
Announcements  
Exchange of Greetings

**Introit**    “Stand Up and Bless the Lord”    Chancel Choir

**The Call to Worship**    Jon McKay

Leader: Come, let us celebrate Christ’s love.  
Come, let us give thanks for God’s unending grace.

**People: Christ’s love has brought us to this place;  
It has made of us a church.**

Leader: In Christ, we are united with God and one another;  
**People: In Christ, we are joined together as one family of faith.**

Leader: Let us rejoice in the gift of God’s fellowship;  
**People: Let us worship the living, loving God.**

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

**O God, you are the giver of life. We pray for the church in the whole world.  
Sanctify her life, renew her worship, give power to her witnessing, restore her  
unity. Heal the divisions separating your children one from another, so that  
they will make fast, with bonds of peace, the unity which the Spirit gives.  
Amen.**

*(from Zaire)*

**\*The Opening Hymn #439** “In Christ There Is No East or West”                      *(Presby Hymnal)*

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

\*The people will rise in body or spirit

Leader: It is our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O God. You are the creator and sustainer of all life. You planted the first fields—wheat, barley, rice, maize. You created us in your image to care for all creation. When human greed trampled the poor and the powerless, you spoke through the prophets, calling us to paths of justice and peace. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus, the living bread, to free the oppressed, to lift up the lowly, and to fill the hungry with good things. Therefore, we praise you with the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest**

Leader: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Though he was rich, yet for our sake he became poor. He taught us to share the abundance of your love, feeding the multitude, eating with sinners and strangers, offering his own body to save us, and pouring out his life for the world. When the risen Christ appeared to his disciples, he made himself known to them in the breaking of the bread. Even now, he sets the table for us, inviting us all to taste and see that you are good. Today, his family throughout the world joins together at his holy table, and proclaims the mystery of faith:

**People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here and upon these gifts of grain and vine, O Lord. Strengthen your Church in every nation and among every people to witness faithfully in your name. By your Spirit, make us one with Christ, one with all who share this meal, and one in ministry to all the world. Amen.

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 #514** “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”    *(Presby Hymnal)*  
*(Jamaican Folk Melody)*

**\*The Benediction**

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

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

## The Prayer of Confession

Water of life, refresh our weary bones, cleanse our sinful hearts, nourish our parched souls. Forgive us for the words we've left unspoken, the actions that have hurt others, the thoughts which lack charity. Lead us to where we should be, not where we want to be, but where you need us to be. Empower us to live as your disciples, that in humility we may serve you in the places we inhabit. By our words and our actions, help us to show others the living streams of your grace, that together we may share in your goodness and love. Amen.

*(from the Church of Scotland)*

## 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

Philippians 2: 1 – 13  
Leader: The word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God

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## The Sermon

"The Great Hymn"

Rev. Merry Meloy

## The Hymn #442

"The Church's One Foundation"

*(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

We truly come to life when we give ourselves away—when we use our hands, our heads, and our hearts in service to God and others. 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

"We Gather at One Table"

Chancel Choir

## \*The Congregation Sings in Response

"Halle, Halle, Halleluja"

*(Traditional Caribbean)*

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)*

We bring these our gifts for your service, dear Savior. Receive them and bless them, for your kingdom's sake. Amen.

*(from Japan)*

## \*Communion Hymn #513 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

*(African-American Spiritual)*

*(Presby Hymnal)*

## The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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

**Sunday, October 1, 2017**  
**World Communion Sunday**

9:15 AM – Youth Sunday School  
10:30 AM – Worship with Communion  
12:00 PM – Sunday Lunches (provided by the Grossman Family)  
2:00 PM – Youth Scavenger Hunt in Pittsburgh

**Monday, October 2, 2017**

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Tuesday, October 3, 2017**

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous  
6:30 PM – Deacons  
7:30 PM – Property Team

**Wednesday, October 4, 2017**

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous  
5:00 PM – Community Dinner – Saint Andrews Youth  
6:30 PM – Admin Team  
8:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Thursday, October 5, 2017**

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

**Friday, October 6, 2017**

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous

**Saturday, October 7, 2017**

**Next Sunday, October 8, 2017**

9:15 AM – Youth Sunday School  
10:30 AM – Worship  
4:00 PM – “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” Service and Supper

**Worship Leadership**

**Ushers:** Mary Lindenberg      Pat Bopp      Dale Hutchison      Scott O’ Day  
**Acolyte:** Lily Hawks  
**Liturgist:** Jon McKay  
**Micro Message:** None  
**Flower Delivery:** Donna O’ Day  
**Open the Church:** Paul Perry  
**Close the Church :** Jon McKay

**Next Week:** Andrew Ripper  
**Next Week:** Kevin Moon  
**Next Week:** Esther Radvinski  
**Next Week:** Anzie Kelley  
**Next Week:** Paul Perry  
**Next Week:** Bob Eamigh

**The Flowers** today are given by Don Roberts in memory of Ellen.

**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.



**“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”**  
**Fall Service and Supper**  
**Next Sunday, October 8, 2017**  
**at 4:00 pm**



You and your family are invited to a special afternoon of worship and fellowship on Sunday, October 8th. Join us for the “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” Fall Service and Supper. The service begins at 4:00 pm and will include a hymn sing and Communion. A dinner, hosted by our Deacons, will be served in the Memorial Room following worship. Everyone is invited. Please contact the church office by Tuesday, October 3, to let us know if you’re coming and if you need help with transportation. Thank you!





## All in the Family

The sympathy and resurrection faith of the congregation go out to the Minich family. John's father, Jack Minich, died on Sunday, September 17, 2017.

## Building Fund Update

(As of September 24th)

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!



## Happy Birthday

- October 4 Chuck Manos
- October 5 Denise Hawks
- October 5 Danielle Golden

## Youth Scavenger Hunt Today



Calling all Youth! Today, we'll be traveling to Pittsburgh for our Presbytery's Youth Scavenger Hunt. Put on your best walking shoes and bring your cell phones because we'll be spending the afternoon exploring the weirder side of downtown Pittsburgh. We'll leave Saint Andrews after worship and stop for lunch along the way. The scavenger hunt starts at 2:00 pm.. All friends are welcome!

## 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 on 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!



## Youth Group Reminder

Just a reminder  
Our Youth group will be serving  
the Community Dinner  
on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.  
See you there!

**Mid-Week Youth Program  
Starts Wednesday October 11th  
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!) starts on Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>.

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*

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

Saint Andrews' First Sunday Mission Offering in October goes to the McKee Memorial Fund. In years past, money from this fund has been used to support a variety of medical missions in Malawi, including PCUSA mission co-worker Dr. Barbara Nagy. Earlier this year, we received word that Dr. Nagy had moved home to the United States to address some family needs. Since she does not anticipate returning to Malawi soon, we were encouraged to support another mission co-worker.

We've selected Jim and Jodi McGill. They have served in Malawi for more than twenty years. This past summer, they 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 July 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!

