

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

Loving Lord, you have summoned us to labor in your vineyard. You have called us to use our time, talents, and treasure in service to your kingdom. Receive this offering as a sign of our intention to live empowered by your Spirit, sustained by your grace, and generous to your world. Send us forth to serve you with willing hands and open hearts. Amen.

The Church Goes Forth to Serve

***The Hymn #343** "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" *(Presby Hymnal)*

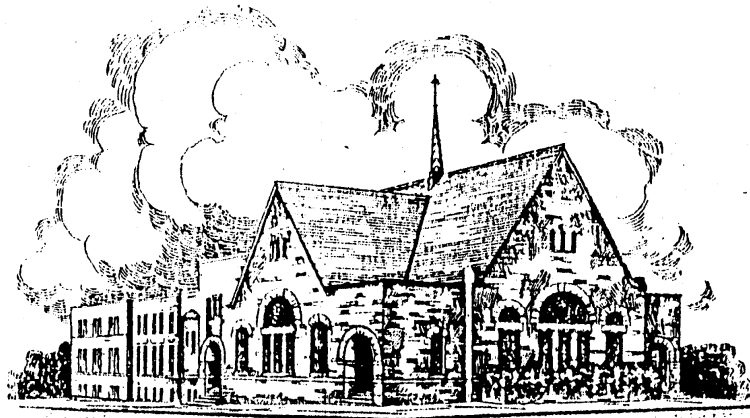
***The Benediction**

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

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

~Welcome to Saint Andrews~

The Church Nursery is available for children through kindergarten age



Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

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Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

September 24, 2017

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 AM

The Church in Preparation

The Prelude

The Lighting of the Candles
Announcements
Exchange of Greetings

Kyle Hawks

Introit

"Stand Up and Bless the Lord"

Chancel Choir

The Call to Worship

Esther Radvinski

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful,
Slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**People: God is good to all,
And God's compassion is over all that God has made.**

Leader: Let us make known to all people God's wonderful deeds.

People: Let us share with all people God's abundant love.

Leader: Let us worship God.

The Opening Prayer *(In Unison)*

Generous God, you come to us again and again, no matter how late it is in the day or in our lives. Gathering us in, you give us good work to do and daily bread to eat. You continue to surprise us with your boundless love and grace. Be with us in this time of worship. Empower us to celebrate the gift of your salvation. Help us to embody your generous will and way. In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

***The Hymn #356**

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

(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

Loving God, you know our weaknesses. Fearful of the future, we forget what you have done in the past. We complain when conditions challenge us. We begrudge others your blessings. We allow envy to divide us, and live lives that are unworthy of the gospel. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to seek your presence and trust your gracious provisions. Empower us to serve you generously and faithfully, 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

Exodus 16: 2 - 15

O.T. Page 62

Matthew 20:1 - 16

N.T. Page 21

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

The Anthem

"A Gentle Chorale"

Canticleer Ringers

Micro Message

Pastor Merry

***The Congregation Sings in Response** "To Know You More"

To know you in all of your glory,
To love you with all that I am.
With all of my heart, Lord this is my prayer:
To know you more.

The Sermon

"Labor Dispute"

Rev. Merry Meloy

The Hymn #366

"Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me"

(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 honor Christ by sharing the abundance that God has shared with us. In gratitude for God's many blessing, we offer our time, our talents, our resources and our lives. 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

"Organ Offertory "

Chuck Davey

***The Congregation Sings in Response #2081 "Thank You, Jesus"**

Thank you, Je-sus, a-men!

Thank you, Je-sus, a-men!

Thank you, Je-sus, a-men!

Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

This Week at Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 24, 2017

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

Monday, September 25, 2017

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesday, September 26, 2017

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous
4:00 PM – Beaver-Butler Presbytery Meeting
6:00 PM – NAMI Caregivers Support Group

Wednesday, September 27, 2017

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous
5:00 PM – Community Dinner – Faith/Covenant
8:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

Thursday, September 28, 2017

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

Friday, September 29, 2017

11:00 AM – Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday, September 30, 2017

Next 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

Worship Attendance for September 17, 2017: 55

Worship Leadership

Ushers: Travis Grossman Nate Grossman Karen Pressler Andrew Ripper
Acolyte: Kyle Hawks
Liturgist: Esther Radvinski
Micro Message: Pastor Merry
Flower Delivery: Stephanie Arienzo
Open the Church: Paul Perry
Close the Church : Esther Radvinski

Next Week: Lily Hawks
Next Week: Jon McKay
Next Week: TBA
Next Week: Donna O' Day
Next Week: Paul Perry
Next Week: Jon McKay

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
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.

Happy Birthday to Rick Kelley (Sept. 30)



World Communion Sunday

We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper together during worship next Sunday, October 1, 2017. Please join us!

Building Fund Update

(As of September 10)

Project	Donations to Date	Target Amount	% Raised
A/C Fund	\$37,765	\$72,000	52.45%

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!



Rally Day Thank You!

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Rally Day so special. The breakfast was delicious! Special thanks to our Deacons and the Nurture Team for making it all happen and to all of you who participated!!

Youth Scavenger Hunt



Calling all Youth! Next Sunday, October 1, 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. To join in the fun, please contact Stephanie Slezak (724-421-7562 or slezakfamily@gmail.com). We also need drivers and chaperones. All friends are welcome!

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 11th.

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!

September First Sunday Mission Offering

Our First Sunday Mission Offering in September is used to support our sponsored child at the Indo-American Home for Children. Sabarish is 13 years old and is in 8th grade. He has one sister. She is in 7th grade and is also at the home. Their mother and father live in a nearby village.

Last year, Sabarish described the circumstances that brought them to the home. He writes,

Once my father worked as a carpenter. Our family was going on smoothly with my father's income. Then my father was affected by many wounds in his legs. So he couldn't do any work or move anywhere. My father took treatment in many hospitals. We spent more money but no recovery. We lost more money, even our house. My mother is a housewife. So we had no more income. In this situation, we heard about the Children's Home. Now we get food, shelter, and education with the help of our Dr. Sir and you. God bless you all abundantly.

*With love and thanks,
Sabarish.*

It costs \$360 a year to care for one child at the Indo-American Home for Children. If you would like to help sponsor Sabarish, just mark your check "Sponsored Child" or use a First Sunday Mission Offering Envelope from the pew racks. Thank you!



Flower Calendar Openings

Would you like to donate the chancel flowers for one or more worship services? The Flower Calendar still has openings for:

October 8
October 22

October 29
November 5

The Flower Calendar for 2017 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!

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.