

## Welcome Ellen!

A warm Saint Andrews welcome to our guest organist, Ellen Dodge. We are blessed to have her leading us in worship!

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*The flowers today are given  
in memory of those who died on 9/11  
and the first responders who have died  
from illnesses related to their work clearing the towers.*

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## All in the Family

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

- *Caitlyn Wilbert and her family. Caitlyn's father, Curtis Wilbert, and her grandmother, Barbara Ann Petanovich, both died on August 30, 2021 at Butler Memorial Hospital.*
- *The Martin and Haughey families. Bonnie Martin and Lori Haughey's aunt, Velma Kiser Blain, died on September 4, 2021.*



## Happy Birthday to

Zoann Weckerly  
Kate Busa

September 13  
September 18

## Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

September 12, 2021

10:30 AM

### The Church in Preparation

#### The Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

#### The Introit and Time of Centering TBA

#### The Call to Worship

Leader: Come to listen for all God seeks to teach us.  
Come to hear God's word of truth.

People: **God's grace has been poured into our lives.  
God's love draws us close to God's heart.**

Leader: In Christ, God shows us who we are called to be.  
Through Christ, God reminds us that true faith reshapes our hearts.

People: **Let us worship God with songs of praise and a spirit of gladness.  
Let us open our hearts to God's presence and healing Word.**

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

**Loving God, as we worship you today, stretch our minds, soften our hearts, and open our hands so that we may be more faithful and effective disciples. Liberate us from the prisons of false assumptions and misperceptions so that we may follow you freely and truly. Help us to move in harmony with your Spirit, as the leaves on a tree dance with the gusts of a breeze. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

#### \*The Hymn #343

"Just As I Am"

*(Sing to the Lord)*

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

\*The people will rise in body or spirit

#### The Prayer of Confession *(In Unison)*

**Loving God, we honor you with our lips, but at times, our words ring hollow and our devotion proves shallow. We are more concerned with pleasing our friends and neighbors than pleasing you. We obey you when it's convenient; we follow when you lead us in the direction we already want to go. Forgive us, Lord. Cleanse our hearts with your amazing grace. Help us to love you with the courage, commitment, and constancy with which you have loved us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 Readings**

Portions of Mark 7  
Leader: The word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God**

**Musical Interlude**

“As a Chalice Cast of Gold”  
Vocalist: Deanna Golden  
Organist: Ellen Dodge

**The Sermon**

Rev. Merry Meloy

**\*The Hymn #332**

“Give Me Thy Heart”

*(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**

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**

TBA

**\*The Congregation Sings in Response**

#7 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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

**Gracious and loving God, we thank you for giving us eyes to see, ears to hear, and hands to do: eyes to see the beauty of your creation, and the needs of those around us; ears to hear the harmonies of music, and the voices of brothers and sisters in need; hands to do our chosen tasks and to reach out in care to others. Help us to listen for your still, small voice, and to act in love as you call us to do, through the grace of Christ. Amen.**

**\*The Hymn #152**

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

*(Sing to the Lord)*

**\*The Benediction**

**\*The Postlude**

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~Welcome to Saint Andrews~

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