

*The Hymn #369

The Church Goes Forth to Serve

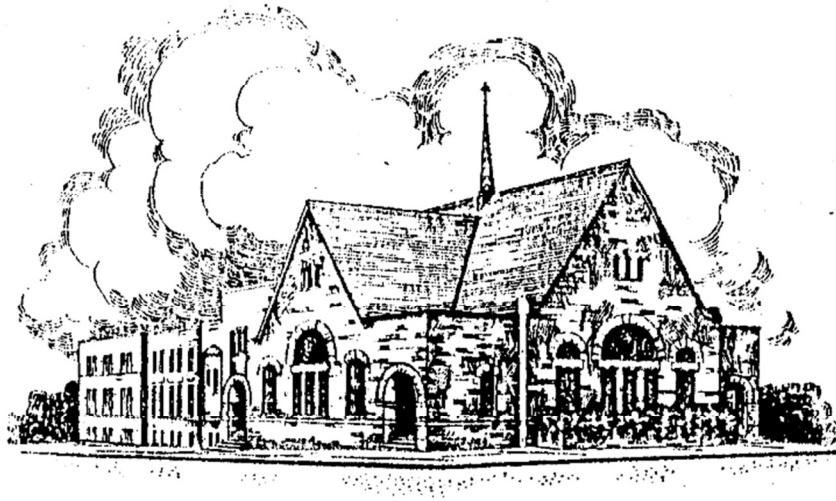
"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

(Presby Hymnal)

*The Benediction

*The Postlude

Welcome to Saint Andrews. We're glad you're here!



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September 3, 2023

14th Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM

The Church in Preparation

The Prelude

Guest Musician Bryan Helsel

Welcome and Announcements

The Introit and Time of Centering

The Call to Worship

Leader: Let us rejoice in the day that God has given us!

People: Let us praise the God who gives life!

Leader: May we give thanks with a unity of hearts and minds.

People: May we worship the Lord who loves and sustains us.

The Opening Prayer *(In Unison)*

Loving God,

in this time of worship,

open us to your renewing, transforming Spirit.

Transform our hearts, that we may love more deeply.

Transform our minds, that we may understand more fully.

Transform our hands, that we may serve more generously.

Transform our spirits, that we may be the body of Christ,
gathered to worship and sent out to serve.

Amen.

***The Opening Hymn #473 "For the Beauty of the Earth"**

(Presby Hymnal)

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

*The people will rise in body or spirit

The Prayer of Confession *(In Unison)*

God of life, you call us to love our neighbor.

You ask us to be vessels of your blessing.

You urge us to engage, to act, to care.

But there are so many needs.

so many challenges.

so much we don't understand.

Some days, we just want to shut the world out.

Some days, we just want to focus on our own lives and ignore the rest.

Forgive us, Lord.

Grant us your strength and your patience.

Help us to re-engage.

Help us to

keep trusting,

keep serving,

keep hoping,

keep caring,

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 Readings

Romans 12: 1 – 8

N.T. 161

Exodus 1: 8 – 2: 10

O.T. 49

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

The Anthem

The Sermon

"Call the Midwives"

Rev. Merry Meloy

***The Hymn #324**

"For All the Faithful Women"

(Please See Insert)

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

Christ calls us to love our neighbor. Christ teaches us to help those in need. Let us show Christ's love and mercy with the words of our mouths, the work of our hands, and the commitment of our lives. Let us bring before the Lord our tithes and offerings.

As the offering plates are being passed, please sign and pass the Friendship Registers located at the end of your pews. If you are visiting with us this morning, please help us get to know you by filling out the long, blue card in the pew rack in front of you. Thank you!

The Offertory

***The Congregation Sings in Response #7** "Praise God . . ."

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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

Gracious God, you have called us to be partners in your ministry of grace. Help us to know the joy of sharing from the abundance you provide. Empower us to give and live to your glory, through the grace of Christ. Amen.

This Week at Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

10:30 AM – Worship
Sunday, September 3, 2023

Monday, September 4, 2023
Office Closed for Labor Day

6:30 PM – Deacons
Tuesday, September 5, 2023

10:00 AM – Property Team
5:00 PM – Community Dinner – Saint Andrews Manna Team
Wednesday, September 6, 2023

6:15 PM – Canticle Ringers
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir
Thursday, September 7, 2023

Friday, September 8, 2023

Saturday, September 9, 2023

9:15 AM – Rally Day Breakfast
10:30 AM – Worship with Communion
Next Sunday, September 10, 2023
Rally Day

Worship Leaders

Ushers: Anzie Kelley Rick Kelley Scott/Donna O' Day *Volunteer Needed*
Next Week: Bob Eamigh Kathy Eamigh Mary Ann Hazlett *Volunteer Needed*
Liturgist: TBA **Next Week:** Lori Love-Franke
Sound Tech: Travis Grossman **Next Week:** Jon McKay
Flower Delivery: Anzie Kelley **Next Week:** TBA
Open the Church: Paul Perry **Next Week:** Paul Perry
Close the Church: Karen Pressler **Next Week:** Bob Eamigh

The Flowers today are given by Dave Landis in memory of Carol and in honor of her birthday.

Prayer Requests can be made by using the pink/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.

Happy Birthday to:



Carol Holochuk September 3
Melinda Ripper September 3
Dan Mulneix September 3
Brian Fleeger September 4
Sharon Johnson September 5
Peggy Douthett September 9



New Worship Helper Schedules

Updated schedules for worship helpers are now available. If you volunteer as a liturgist or usher, please pick up your copy. They're on the table in the Narthex.



Communion Sunday September 10th

We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper during worship next Sunday, September 10th. Please join us!



Hymn Insert Here
#324 "For All the Faithful Women"
In Glory to God

WE ARE BUBBLING WITH EXCITEMENT!

THE RALLY DAY BREAKFAST
is next Sunday, September 10th
at 9:15 a.m.
in the Memorial Room

Bring a friend or neighbor and
join us for great food and fun fellowship!

MUSIC NEWS



The Canticleer Ringers and Chancel Choir are starting up! Their first rehearsal is this Thursday evening, September 7th. The handbell choir rehearses from 6:15 to 7:15. The choir rehearses from 7:30 to 8:45. If you've ever wanted to give music a try, this is the perfect opportunity. Anyone and everyone is welcome!