



# SAIN<sup>T</sup> ANDREW

Presbyterian Church

Following Christ – Serving in Love  
Engaging the World

## Morning Worship January 1, 2017 New Years Day

Sunday School 9:30 am  
Sunday Morning Fellowship 10:15 am  
Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 am  
Sunday Evening Worship 6 pm  
Wednesday Brown Bag Bible Study 12:15 pm  
Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6 pm

Rev. Edward C. Rees IV, Pastor  
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Charlotte Kitchen  
Frank Carstarphen  
Angie Rees  
Joe McKeown  
Mark Sollie  
Tony Harkins  
Lee Kitchen

Jennie Wall, Moderator Presbyterian Women

### WELCOME VISITORS

If you are seeking a Church home, we are always delighted to welcome new members into the Saint Andrew fellowship. If you desire more information about Saint Andrew, please indicate on the friendship pad or speak to the minister after the service.

### Catechism Question of the Week

Q 1 What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

A: That I belong, body and soul, in life and in death, not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

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“Accept one another just as Christ accepted you.” (Romans 15:7)  
*Please enter the Sanctuary quietly to prepare for worship. Today’s  
Scripture readings and hymns are recommended for your silent  
meditation and prayer.*

*Soli Deo Gloria*

Welcome and Announcements

**(Please sign and pass the Friendship Register. If you are the last person on your row, please tear out the sheet after everyone has signed and place the sheet in the offering plate.)**

## **GATHERING OF GOD’S PEOPLE**

### **PRELUDE**

**\*HYMN**

I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art

**I greet Thee, who my sure Redeemer art,  
My only Trust and Saviour of my heart,  
Who pain didst undergo for my poor sake;  
I pray Thee from our hearts all cares to take.**

**Thou art the King of mercy and of grace,  
Reigning omnipotent in every place;  
So come, O King, and our whole being sway;  
Shine on us with the light of Thy pure day.**

**Thou art the life, by which alone we live,  
And all our substance and our strength receive;  
Sustain us by Thy faith and by Thy power,  
And give us strength in every trying hour.**

**Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness,  
No harshness hast Thou and no bitterness;  
O grant to us the grace we find in Thee,  
That we may dwell in perfect unity.**

**Our hope is in no other save in Thee;  
Our faith is built upon Thy promise free;  
Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,  
That in Thy strength we evermore endure.**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 103

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,*

Who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

*Who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love  
and mercy.*

\*OPENING PRAYER

Elder Ken Kitchens

\*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.**

(Children may be excused for Children's Church)

## **OPENING OUR HEARTS TO GOD**

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

If we say we're not sinners, we are fooling no one but ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive us our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us make confession.

### **MOMENT FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION**

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought,  
word, and deed: by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with all our heart and mind and strength, and have  
not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have  
been, transform what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may  
delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy Name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## ASSURANCE of FORGIVENESS

Hear the Good News! The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting, and as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you and I are forgiven.

HYMN#422

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

**Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
Forgive our foolish ways;  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,  
In purer lives Thy service find,  
In deeper reverence, praise.**

**In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
Beside the Syrian sea,  
The gracious calling of the Lord,  
Let us, like them, without a word,  
Rise up and follow Thee.**

**O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above!  
Where Jesus knelt to share with Thee  
The silence of eternity,  
Interpreted by love!**

**Drop Thy still dews of quietness,  
Till all our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess  
The beauty of Thy peace.**

**Breathe through the heat of our desire  
Thy coolness and Thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;**

**Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm.**

MINUTE FOR MISSION

MOMENT for SILENT PRAYER

PRAYERS of THE PEOPLE with the LORD'S PRAYER (spoken)

ANTHEM Solo- Lost in The Stars Words by Maxwell Anderson  
Music By Kurt Weil

**HEARING GOD'S WORD** Lay Reader: Keil Alderson

NEW TESTAMENT READING Revelation 22:16-17 (p.1041)

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON The Bright and Morning Star

**RESPONDING TO GOD**

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(We share at the Lord's Table by intinction – dipping the bread in the cup. Please come forward to participate. If you wish to be served where you are seated, please inform one of the Elders. Gluten- free bread is arranged in the center of the plate. All baptized persons who seek to be faithful followers of Jesus Christ are welcome to partake.)

GATHERING THE PEOPLES' OFFERING

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

**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.**

**\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH –the Apostles Creed**

**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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and *is seated* on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from *there* he shall come to judge the *living* and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**GOING WITH GOD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*THE CHARGE**

**\*HYMN #349**

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

**O for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of His grace!**

**My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad The honors of Thy name.**

**Jesus! the name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease;  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.**

**He breaks the power of canceled sin, He sets the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.**

**Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, Your loosened tongues  
employ; Ye blind, behold your Savior come, And leap, ye lame, for joy!**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\* All who are able, please stand.**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

**Our Homebound Members: Mary Bentley, Louis Cook, Chuck Cornelius, Evelyn Scudder, Eileen Hoehle, Jean Johnson, Nancy Johnson, Ann Heaney, Ed Macuch, Barbara Rinker, Al L'Heureux**

**Members & Friends: Pat and Duane Seaborn, Louise Taylor, Mary Elrod, Jete McCutcheon, Joyce Howe, Bobbie Auld, John Stillwell, Eddie Rees, Marva Ellison, Malik Elijah Worrell and Family, Ivett Andrews and family, Margaret Taylor (Traci Westin's grandmother), Rodney Ivey and Family, Rev. Jerod Lowry and his wife Molly, and their children, Rev. Robert Hunt; Tracy and Brian Leopard, Harold Gibbs, Bonnie Annis' daughter, Melissa, Betty Zimmerman, Margie Bailey, Kathryn Yates, Mike Dickens, Joe and Cindy Lesniewski's son, Kevin, Sandra Plastridge's brother, Steve, David Winburn, Karen Winburn and Family, Jose and Dot Ruiz and Family, Ben and Linda Lester and Family; the Persecuted Church, those serving in our armed forces, and those who do not yet know Jesus**

**THIS WEEK AT SAINT ANDREW**  
**January 1- January 7**

<b>Today</b>	9:30am	Sunday School
	10:15am	Coffee & Fellowship
	10:45am	Morning Worship
<b>Monday</b>		Office Closed
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:30pm	Bible Study (Harrington Park)
	2:00pm	Knitting Circle
<b>Wednesday</b>	12:15pm	Brown Bag Bible Study (Augusta Mall Food Court)
	6:00pm	Brown Bag Fellowship
	6:30pm	Prayer, Share & Study
	7:15pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30pm	Prayer Group (Kershner home)
<b>Friday</b>		Epiphany

Lay Readers this month: Keil Alderson

Offering Collectors this month: David and Traci Westin

Attendance Last Week: 58

Greeter this month: Sheila Tucker

**GAP ITEMS OF THE MONTH**  
**CANNED FRUIT AND SOCKS OF ALL SIZES**

Please place items in the decorated container in the parlor, remembering that if you forget to bring an item, you are welcome to contribute cash or checks (made payable to GAP Ministries).