

St. ANDREW'S CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2017



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THE REV. ERNEST R. D. SMART, *Pastor*

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Sunday, January 15, 2017

9:00A.M.

THIS DAY IS GOD'S GIFT TO EVERYONE

PRELUDE: Traditional Gaelic Melody, 'Bunessan' --- setting by Lani Smith

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad

Pastor: O magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt His name together.
(Psalm 34:1-3)

*HYMN 17 O Worship the King Lyons

CALL TO PRAYER, PRAYER, AND RESPONSIVE PRAYER CHALICE HYMNAL 664

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND THE PROMISE OF NEW LIFE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON JEREMIAH 20: 7-18

SPECIAL MUSIC: Contemplation on 'Hawkhurst' --- Alec Rowley

GOSPEL LESSON: St. Matthew 16: 13-20
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*HYMN 711 O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines Candler

SERMON: "ARE YOU SURE OF YOUR DOUBTS?" Rev. Ernest Smart

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*HYMN 595 Be Thou My Vision Slane

THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

Traditional Gaelic Melody, 'Slane'
setting by Michael Burkhardt

*THE 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

CALL TO PRAYER AND PASTORAL PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: and also with you.

Leader: Let us pray...

THE LORD'S PRAYER(*using trespasses*)

**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 trespasses as we forgive those who
trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us
from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

*HYMN 476

Rejoice In God's Saints

Hanover

BENEDICTION (unison)

Ignatius Loyola (1491-1555)

**Teach us, Good Lord, to serve Thee as Thou deservest,
To give and not to count the cost,
To fight and not to heed the wounds,
To toil and not to seek for rest,
To labor and not to ask for any rewards,
Save that of knowing that we do Thy will. Amen.**

POSTLUDE

Gigue: Praise His Name in the Dance --- Douglas E. Wagner

IS THIS A GRAND AND GLORIOUS DAY FOR YOU?

GOD HAS GIVEN US ALL THE RESOURCES WE NEED TO MEET EVERY CHALLENGE.

LET EACH AND ALL OF US FEEL AND EXPERIENCE the welcoming spirit today. It is as real and sincere as is the presence of God.

WE WELCOME THIS MORNING ELLEN ADAJIAN who is our music leader during Patti Amato's absence.

OUR MISSION AND DREAM TEAM will meet again on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. here at church. New ideas are always welcome.

OUR ST. ANDREW'S BOOK CLUB will hold its next meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Barbara Pour.

THE NEXT MEETING OF OUR P&R (PLANNING AND REVIEW) BOARD will take place on Monday, January 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. here at church. This is an open meeting to which everyone is invited.

SNOW AND BAD WEATHER POLICY. Generally, we never cancel worship services unless we are faced with Sunday morning blizzard conditions. However, we ask members and friends to exercise a great deal of wisdom and caution.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Someone has tabulated that we have 45 million laws on the books to enforce the Ten Commandments.

– Bert Masterson, Writer-