

St. ANDREW'S CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2016



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Sunday, January 17, 2016

9:00 a.m.

THIS IS THE DAY.....FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE: Adagio and Pastorale on "St. Anne" Paul Manz

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: and let us exult His name together.
(Psalm 34: 1-3)

*HYMN 67 O God Our Help in Ages Past St. Anne

CALL TO PRAYER, PRAYER, AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Unison*)

Merciful God, You made us in Your image, with a mind to know You, a heart to love You and a will to serve You. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconstant and our obedience incomplete.

Day by day we fail to grow in Your kindness; yet You are slow to be angry with Your children. For the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Savior, do not hold our sins against us, but in Your tender love, forgive.

Lord have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord have mercy. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PROMISE OF NEW LIFE

Pastor: We continue to be amazed by the power of words so simple.

People: "Your sins are forgiven." Jesus said.

Pastor: They have become words we have learned to trust.

People: And by them we are restored. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 90: 1-12

SPECIAL MUSIC: Reflection on "Nun Danket" P. P. Stearns

GOSPEL LESSON St. Matthew 6: 25-34

*HYMN 286 This is the Day (sing twice) The Lord's Day

SERMON: "THE HISTORY AND MYSTERY OF TIME" Rev. Ernest Smart

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*HYMN 578

I Need Thee Every Hour

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THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

Variation I on "Nun Danket"

Robert Kreutz

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 THE 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 are the kingdom, and the power and the glory Forever and ever. Amen.

* HYMN 715

Now Thank We All Our God

Nun Danket

THE BENEDICTION (unison)

**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:

Toccata on "St. Anne"

Gordon Young

IS THIS A GRAND AND GLORIOUS DAY FOR YOU?

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

PLEASE DO JOIN US after worship for a time of refreshments and friendship. Especially we want to make our visitors feel at home. Let us get to know you, and may you get to know us. We are all called to make God happy.

WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME to Ellen Adajian as our music director today.

MISSION COMMITTEE. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 4:00 P.M. here at church. Everyone is invited, especially those with new ideas and suggestions.

ST. ANDREW'S BOOK THE CLUB will meet Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 7:00 at the home of Barbara Pour. Members: Please scout for our Lenten reading book. Easter is early this year. Call Barbara at 410-377-4046 if you have any questions.

OUR NEXT MEETING OF THE P&R (PLANNING AND REVIEW) will be held on Monday, January 25, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. here at church. This is an open and welcoming meeting to hear programs and plans, past, present and future.

DO NOT FORGET OUR ANIMAL FRIENDS. Contributions of old pillow cases, sheets, blankets, towels as well as plastic grocery bags are welcome. Please place the items in the basket located just inside the front door. Many thanks from BARCS (The Baltimore Animal Care and Rescue Shelter).

Thought for the Week Ahead:

"Let us be kind to one another, for all of us are fighting a hard battle."
- Ian Maclaren-