

St. ANDREW'S CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

SUNDAY, June 11, 2017



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Sunday, June 11, 2017

9:00 A.M.

TRINITY SUNDAY

PRELUDE: God of Grace, CWM RHONDA, Op. 14 Paul Manz

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,

People: And the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

*HYMN 4 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty Nicaea

CALL TO PRAYER, PRAYER, AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Our loving God, as we mark and celebrate Trinity Sunday, we become aware of the ways in which Your persistent love seeks us out. Forgive us when we fail to see You as our Creating Father, even though beauty surrounds us. So often we are so amazed by the lessons and insights of Jesus as Teacher that we miss the way He has become our Savior. Forgive us. And as You work among us and through us with Your power, we neglect to recognize it as Your Holy Spirit.

Grant us Your pardon and increase our openness to Your ways. We ask it in Jesus' Name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Pastor: Gracious and loving God, having received Your pardon and the relief and new direction it brings, we thank You for the gift of forgiveness.

People: We have claimed Christ's promise of sin forgiven, and rejoice in the freedom it gives. Thanks be to God. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 86:1-12

SPECIAL MUSIC: Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness arr. Nancy Raabe

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: St. John 16:12-15

*HYMN 250 O Breath of Life St. Clement

SERMON: "ON MANAGING A MYSTERY" Rev. Ernest Smar

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*HYMN 485

Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race

Tallis' Canon

MISSION UPDATE ON ART WITH A HEART presented by Megan Fortman

THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY: I Know My Redeemer Lives, DUKE ST arr. Charles Callahan

*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 by 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 595

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Holy God We Praise Thy Name, GROSSER GOTT, Op. 20 Paul Manz

YOU HELP TO MAKE THIS A GRAND AND GLORIOUS DAY

MAY EVERYONE FEEL AT HOME TODAY DURING ST. ANDREW'S WORSHIP SERVICE. The idea of Trinity serves as a constant reminder of the way God is revealed to us - as Creator Father, in the person of Jesus Christ, and in the Spirit of the Christian Church.

WE EXTEND A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUEST, MEGAN FORTMAN, who will speak about Art with a Heart, one of our mission projects.

ALL FRIENDS AND VISITORS are invited to sign the Guest Book located at the entrance of the Sanctuary, and to spend a wee while with us during our reception after the service. Many thanks to those who have prepared it.

THIS EVENING THE BALTIMORE MUSICALES will present "Summer Enchantment" at 6:30 p.m. here in the Sanctuary. Come and hear some wonderful music and singers - Bizet, Gounod, Tosti, Weill, and more. Tickets at \$10 per person. A great treat!

GARDENING OPPORTUNITIES. We need volunteers to water the church garden each week. A sign-up sheet will be found on the lounge piano.

OUR NEXT P & R (PLANNING AND REVIEW BOARD) will be held on Sunday, June 25, 2017 after worship. Everyone is invited to hear and review all matters pertaining to the life and ministry of St. Andrew's. The meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall.

NEXT SUNDAY WILL BE FATHER'S DAY. We will also have the pleasure of welcoming back as our guest preacher the Rev. Sharon Smith. Sharon is the pastor of The Gathering, one of our sister congregations.

OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY are shared at this time with the family and friends of James (Jay) Garman who died very suddenly last Sunday morning at home. Jay was an enthusiastic supporter of St. Andrew's in so many ways, not least our regular Sunday worship. Funeral services were held at the Eckhardt Funeral Home last Thursday. We will miss Jay very much.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

"It is a blessed thing that in every age a few people have courage to stand by their own convictions."
- Robert Ingersoll