

St. ANDREW'S CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2016



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Sunday, June 26, 2016

9:00A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THIS DAY OF BLESSING

PRELUDE: Praise My Soul the King of Heaven Lauda Anima arr. Robert Hobby

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Where our treasure is, there are hearts are also.

People: Our hearts are ready to praise and honor God.

Pastor: Let us lift up our hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

* HYMN 72 To God be the Glory To God be the Glory

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

Merciful God, we have seen that in Christ's way of love there lies the secret of all life and the hope of all people, but we have been satisfied with lesser love and narrower affections. Forgive us if we have passed one another without recognition or greeting; if we have withheld the kindly deed or let loose the word of anger; if we have harbored resentment and plotted revenge. Forgive us and make us ready to forgive. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND THE PROMISE OF NEW LIFE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Chronicles 16: 23-36

SPECIAL MUSIC: The Old Rugged Cross arr. Nancy Raabe

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Revelation 3: 14-22

* HYMN 543 Blessed Assurance Assurance

SERMON: "LET THE AMEN SOUND FORTH" Rev. Ernest Smart

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

* HYMN 498 O God, Who Gave Humanity its Name Sursum Corda

THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY: The King of Love My Shepherd Is 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 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 613 Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus Webb

BENEDICTION: (unison) Old Celtic Prayer

**May God the Father bless us; May Christ the Son take care of us;
May the Holy Spirit enlighten us. May the Lord be our Defender and Keeper of
body and soul, both now and forever. Amen.**

POSTLUDE: Voices Raised to You, Song of Praise, arr. Nancy Raabe

WELCOME NOTES FOR EVERYONE TO READ

MAY THIS HOUR OF WORSHIP be a blessing to you, your family and friends. This experience satisfies our longing for belonging.

A LIGHT RECEPTION has been prepared for everyone in the lounge. We thank the wonderful team who prepared it, and those who have brought in the “goodies.”

MISSION NEWS: At our recent Board Meeting, the following contributions were unanimously approved:

\$1000 Maryland Bible Society

\$250 SPCA

\$250 BARC

\$1000 Family Crisis Center

GARDEN WATERING: In anticipation of a warm dry summer, the church garden will welcome good watering each week. a list of available dates for volunteers will be found on the lounge piano. Thank you.

PLEASE KEEP THE THURSDAYS IN JULY FREE FOR AN INTER-FAITH STUDY SERIES. All five of our congregations will be participating. The theme will be “The Genesis of Justice.” More details later.

FAMILY NEWS FROM PATTI AMATO. Next week Patti and Sam Amato’s eldest daughter will be married in New Freedom, PA. We congratulate the whole family. Thereafter, Patti will be heading off to Graz, Austria to fulfill her commitments in the American Institute of Music for six weeks. We will miss her!

NEXT SUNDAY we will welcome as our music leader, Carolyn Weglein, who has played for us many times.

PASTORAL CARE IN HIGH ON OUR LIST OF PRIORITIES. Please do not hesitate to contact our pastor, Ernest Smart, at any time either for yourself or someone you know. Home telephone is best: 410-893-9470.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

“The person who has a firm trust in the Supreme Being is powerful in his power, wise by his wisdom, happy by his happiness.”

– Joseph Addison