

**St. ANDREW'S CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2016**



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

**Patricia McKewen Amato, *Music Director***

**Sunday, September 18, 2016**

**9:00A.M.**

**THIS WONDERFUL DAY IS GOD'S GIFT! LET US ENJOY IT!**

**PRELUDE I Know that My Redeemer Lives Duke Street, arr. Charles Callahan**

**THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Pastor: Blessed be the name of the Lord, now and evermore**

**People: From the rising of the sun to its setting, the Lord's name be praised.**

**All: Let us worship Almighty God.**

**\*HYMN 5**

**O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing**

**Azmon**

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

Praise be to You, O Lord, Who, in the power of Your Holy Spirit, creates, sustains and renews the church, presenting through it to the world a new vision, new possibilities of healing the wounds of history, new avenues of peace to explore.

O God, we come to You in all our mixed up ways. We confess that we can hinder the progress of the Gospel by our unwillingness to take Christ seriously. We confess that we can lose our sense of adventure by hanging on to our old words and old ways of doing things. We confess our shallow grasp of Your love for us. Let Your risen glory shine in us with a new brightness that our hearts may reflect Your lasting joy to the world around us... (moment of silent reflection)

**Pastor: Through Christ, our Lord, we pray.**

**People: Amen.**

**THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND THE PROMISE OF NEW LIFE**

**CHALICE HYMNAL 569**

**Jesus, Remember Me (sing twice)**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

**Isaiah 61: 1-4**

**SPECIAL MUSIC: Soul Adorn Yourself with Gladness**

**Canto A Borinquen  
Arr. Nancy Raabe**

**GOSPEL LESSON**

**St. John 8: 31-38**



## **WELCOME NOTES FOR EVERYONE TO READ**

**“Lord, it is good for us to be here.” (quote from Peter in St. Matthew 17: vs. 4) Let us echo Peter in our worship this holy day. May the blessings we receive in our worship be shared with all around us in family and among friends.**

**GUESTS AND VISITORS ARE ESPECIALLY WELCOME. You are invited to sign the Guest Book located at the entrance of the sanctuary, and to join everyone for a light refreshment in the lounge after worship.**

**OUR NEXT P&R (planning and Review) Board will be held on Monday, September 19, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. here at church. Everyone is welcome since this is an open meeting, to hear reports on finances, committees, mission and other plans relating to St. Andrew’s life and ministry.**

**OUR ST. ANDREW’S BOOK CLUB will hold its first meeting of this new session on Thursday, September 22, 2016, at 6:30 P.M. at the home of Barbara Pour. THIS WILL BE A TACO NIGHT. Betty Ann Black will be calling to see which ingredient you wish to provide. New members are always welcome. Call Barbara at 410-377-4046 if you need directions. Also bring along your favorite summer read.**

**OUR ST. ANDREW’S COMMUNITY CRAFT FAIR. Please note in your calendars November 5, 2016 here at church (Saturday). Sign up sheets will be available soon.**

**OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY are shared at this time with the family and friends of Dr. Robert Singleton who died at the Gilchrist Center on Monday, September 12, 2016. Dr. Bob was a most faithful, enthusiastic and generous part of our St. Andrew’s family, driving over from Charlestown Retirement Community every Sunday, (even though aged 93). We will miss him very much and are grateful for his friendship and his faith.**

**PASTORAL CARE IS 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**

**“You can give without loving. But you cannot love without giving.”**

**-Mary Carmichael- Missionary to India**