

St. ANDREW'S CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2016



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Sunday, September 4, 2016

9:00A.M.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

PRELUDE: Cathedral Voluntary Charles Callahan

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: We have come from scattered lives into this sanctuary,

People: To seek our unity in peace and fellowship,

Pastor: To seek the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

People: To seek the new life God the Father has promised.

All: As God's people we are gathered. Let us worship God.

* HYMN 27 Come, Thou Almighty King Italian Hymn

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

O Loving God, whose wisdom and power underlie the best of all the work we plan and do, You are the Master Craftsman of all the earth and the universe around us. We thank You that there is always some kind of work for us to do, and from You we receive direction for the use of heart and head and hands.

We thank you for that other dimension of labor where Your spirit reminds us that we are creatures with a calling, and that we are heirs of Your goodness every day. Keep all of us faithful to Your higher law, so that our common life may be marked by boldness and conscience, steadfast purpose, and deeds and work as our best offering to You, O God.

Pastor: In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray.

People: Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND THE PROMISE OF NEW LIFE

CHALICE HYMNAL 569 Jesus, Remember Me (sing twice) Remember Me

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jeremiah 18:1-11

SPECIAL MUSIC: The Word of God is Source and Seed Gaudemus Domino
arr. Nancy Raabe

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: 2 Corinthians 5: 16-21

* HYMN 250 O Breath of Life St. Clement

SERMON: "A TIME FOR REMODELLING" Rev. Ernest Smart

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY: All Who Hunger Gather Gladly Holy Manna arr. Nancy Raabe

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

*COMMUNION HYMN: 399 O God, Unseen Yet Ever Near Belmont

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (all are invited to Christ's Holy Table)

COMMUNION MUSIC: O Christ the Great Foundation Aurelia, Wesley
arr. Charles Callahan

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 637 For All the Saints (verses 1, 3, and 5) Sine Nomine

BENEDICTION: (unison)

As people of God, let us go forth with joy into the opportunities set before us this week. Let us take with us the encouragement of this hour, and may we in the days ahead, be faithful to our callings, in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

POSTLUDE: O Beautiful for Spacious Skies Materna, Ward. arr. Charles Callahan

WELCOME NOTES FOR THIS GRAND AND GLORIOUS LABOR DAY WEEKEND

WE WELCOME EVERYONE to our worship experience at St. Andrew's. May this Labor Day weekend become a source of hope, joy, peace, and encouragement, but let us also keep in our prayers those whose lives have been devastated by floods, earthquakes, sickness, violence and war.

THIS MORNING WE CELEBRATE the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Our Lord Jesus Christ is the welcoming host and everyone is invited to receive the elements as a token of thanksgiving, remembrance, pledging and a celebration of His presence.

ALL FRIENDS AND VISITORS are invited to "sing in" in the Guest Book at the entrance of the sanctuary and to join us for a light reception in the lounge after the service.

MISSION NEWS. The next meeting of our Mission and Dream Team will be held on Wednesday, September 14, 2016, at 3:00 P.M. here at Church. Everyone is welcome, especially those with new ideas and suggestions.

CHILD CARE: Please let everyone know that child care is available in the nursery every Sunday morning during worship.

LOOKING AHEAD: The next meeting of the P&R (Planning and Review) will be held on Monday, September 19, 2016, at 7:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. This is an open meeting to which everyone is invited.

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

"Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life."
Confucius