

St. ANDREW'S CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2013



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Sunday, August 16, 2015

9:00 a.m.

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THIS HOLY DAY

PRELUDE: Adagio sostenuto, from Sonata in c# minor, Op. 27, No. 2
L. van Beethoven

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Who are we?

People: We are God's people in the family of Jesus Christ.

Pastor: Why are we here?

**People: We have come to worship Almighty God with heart and soul
and mind and strength, and to be faithful to Him.**

All: Let us join together and lift up our whole lives in praise.

*HYMN 18 All People That on Earth Do Dwell Old 100th

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

**Lord God, You are holy and strong; forgive our weakness.
Lord God, You are holy and wise; forgive our foolishness.
Lord God, You are holy and loving; forgive our hardness.
Lord God, You are holy and generous; forgive our selfishness.
Lord God, You are holy and faithful; forgive our fickleness.
Lord God, You are holy and gentle; forgive our indifference.
Forgive us, Lord God; forgive us through our faith in Jesus
Christ, Your Son our Savior. Amen.**

Pastor: Upon sincere repentance, we are forgiven and free. Let us live
worthily of this new life in Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PROMISE OF NEW LIFE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 119: 137-144

SPECIAL MUSIC: Intermezzo in b-flat minor, Op. 117, No. 2 J. Brahms

GOSPEL LESSON: St. Luke 19: 1-10

*HYMN 62 Creator God, Creating Still St. Anne

SERMON: "AN INCREDIBLE JOURNEY" Rev. Ernest Smart

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*HYMN 655 Community of Christ

Leoni

THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY: Sarabande, from French Suite in G major, BWV 816
J. S. Bach

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 is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*HYMN 622

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Cwm Rhondda

THE BENEDICTION (unison)

Let us go in the peace of God; let us go in the love of Christ; let us go in the power of the Holy Spirit; let us go in peace to serve the Lord; let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Amen.

POSTLUDE:

Finale, from Sonata in F major, K. 332

W. A. Mozart

WELCOME NOTES FOR THIS SPECIAL AND HOLY DAY

WE ARE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME YOU ALL TODAY TO WORSHIP AT ST. ANDREW'S ESPECIALLY OUR VISITORS AND GUESTS. Please join us for a delightful light reception in the lounge after worship.

WE ALSO WELCOME BACK CLINTON ADAMS AS OUR MUSIC LEADER FOR TODAY in the absence of Patti Amato. He is the regular music director for The Gathering.

OUR WATERING AND WEEDING CHURCH GARDEN PROJECT. There are still spaces on the sheet available for the rest of the summer. See the volunteer sheet on the lounge piano.

FOR INTEREST AND INFORMATION, there have been a number of meetings among the clergy of the Roland Park area to discuss how together we might make a contribution to the healing of Baltimore's wounds. We will keep everyone informed.

OUR PREACHER FOR THE NEXT TWO SUNDAYS WILL BE OUR FRIEND, REV. DR. GEORGE GRAY TOOLE. Our pastor, Ernest Smart, will be out of town. Should there be any pastoral emergency, please feel free to contact Dr. Toole at 1-410-692-9662 (home) or 443-417-8060 (cell).

A SIMPLE PRAYER FOR THE BEGINNING OF EACH DAY:

Please, God, keep me safe, keep me strong, keep me wise, keep me happy and keep me faithful.

A SIMPLE PRAYER FOR THE END OF EACH DAY:

Thank You, God, for getting me through today. May I have another one please?

Thought for the Week Ahead:

It ain't those parts of the Bible that I can't understand that bother me. It's the parts that I do understand.

– Mark Twain-