

St. ANDREW'S CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2015



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Sunday, July 12, 2015

9:00 a.m.

PRELUDE: Lied Louis Vierne

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

People: Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.

Pastor: Know that the Lord is God.

People: It is God who made us, to whom we belong; we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

*HYMN 79 God is My Shepherd Brother James' Air

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

Gracious and loving God, despite our resolve to serve You, we are so easily led astray. Like sheep, we blindly follow the example of the crowd. We congratulate ourselves in resisting the latest trend or fashion, but the pressures to conform are more subtle than that, often unseen and often unrecognized.

Help us to listen to You rather than the voices that surround us, to stay close to Your side and respond to Your guidance; and, should we find ourselves confused or lost, seek us out through Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, and restore us to Your fold...(moment of silent reflection)

Pastor: Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray. **People: Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PROMISE OF NEW LIFE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 119: 169-176

SPECIAL MUSIC: The King of Love My Shepherd Is arr. Hiram Titus

GOSPEL LESSON: St. John 10: 1-18

*HYMN 543 Blessed Assurance Assurance

SERMON: "WAYS OUT OF THE JUNGLE" Rev. Ernest Smart

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*HYMN 568

'Tis the Gift to Be Simple

Simple Gifts

THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY:

Interlude

Maurice Greene

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 595

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

THE BENEDICTION (unison)

May the Lord bless us and guard us; may the Lord make His face to shine upon us, and be gracious to us; may the Lord look kindly upon us and give us peace, this day and always.

POSTLUDE:

Agincourt Hymn

John Dunstable

TODAY'S WELCOME NOTES FOR ST. ANDREW'S

MAY JULY BE A HAPPY AND FRUITFUL MONTH FOR YOU, AND WE ALSO INVITE YOU to make this hour of worship your guide and blessing for the whole week, and then share those blessings with those who need them most.

EVERYONE IS ALSO INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A LIGHT RECEPTION IN THE LOUNGE AFTER WORSHIP. Guests and visitors are also invited to sign the guest book located at the entrance of the sanctuary.

WE ARE ESPECIALLY PLEASED TO WELCOME OUR MUSIC LEADER TODAY, CAROLYN WEGLEIN. During Patti Amato's absence, Carolyn has become a good friend of St. Andrew's.

CARE TO JOIN THE GARDEN WATERING TEAM? Each week there will be an opportunity to water our plants and shrubs. Weeding will also be greatly appreciated. Sign up sheet on the lounge piano.

COME AND ENJOY A STIMULATING SEMINAR SERIES LED BY EACH OF THE PASTORS OF THE FIVE CONGREGATIONS WHO WORSHIP HERE. Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. here at church. The Theme is: "The Genesis of Justice: Stories which Shape our Ethics." Rev. Carol Cook (First Christian Church) will be the leader on July 16. A light reception will be held after the session.

SPARE COPIES OF OUR LATEST VISIONARY NEWSLETTER are to be found on the lounge piano. Please take one to share with family, friends and neighbors. Again we thank Barbara Lewis for all her time and talents as editor .

PASTORAL CARE: Please do not hesitate to call our pastor, Ernest Smart, either for yourself or someone you know. Best contact number is 410-893-9470

Thought for the Week Ahead

What is a weed? A plant whose virtues have not yet been discovered.
- Ralph Waldo Emerson-