

ST. ANDREW'S CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2012



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Sunday, January 22, 2012

9:00AM

WE ARE GATHERED TOGETHER FOR WORSHIP – THE GREATEST HOUR

PRELUDE Golliwog's Cakewalk CHILDRENS CORNER, Claude Debussy

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: We are called into this place of worship

People: a place to gather in community and love.

Pastor: We are called into this body,

People: a body that is Christ's presence on earth.

Pastor: We are called into the kingdom of God,

People: a kingdom that is here and now.

* HYMN 22 All Creatures of Our God and King Lasst Uns Erfreuen

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

God of loving welcome, we admit that we are not always as kind and accepting as Christ calls us to be. We yearn to extend the hand of friendship but sometimes shy away. We cry for peace on earth but sometimes wage war in our own cruel ways. We seek community and love, but then offer only parts of ourselves.

Where we are afraid, strengthen us to reach out to others. Where we are angry, love us that we may be kind and accepting. Where we are sad, comfort us that we may seek new joy. Where we are in doubt, encourage us with steadfast faithfulness. Forgive us when we are not the welcoming disciples You yearn for here on earth. Guide us to walk in Your ways that we may come to partner our lives with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PROMISE OF NEW LIFE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 1: 1-5, 26-31

SPECIAL MUSIC: Mazurka, Op. 50, Karol Szymanowski

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts: 10:1-16

*HYMN 594 Dear Lord, and Father of Mankind (verses 1, 2, 5) Rest

SERMON: "ON KINGS AND COMMONERS" Rev. Ernest Smart

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*HYMN 688

When, In Awe of God's Creation

Hyfrydol

THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY: Gott Sei dank, Geistreiches Gesangbuch 1704, arr. James Biery

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 699

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

Darwall's 148th

BENEDICTION (*Unison*)

The guarding of the God of life be upon us.
The guarding of the loving Christ be upon us.
The guarding of the Holy Spirit be upon us,
Each step of the way, to aid us and enfold each of us
Each day and night of our lives. Amen.

POSTLUDE In Christ there is no East or West, MCKEE, adapted Burleigh, arr. James Biery

ENJOY READING THESE WELCOMES NOTES ON THIS GRAND AND GLORIOUS DAY

OUR MISSION AT ST. ANDREW'S IS TO BE FAITHFUL, WISE AND STRONG, AND TO MAKE GOD HAPPY. We are happy that you are part of this living Christian community by coming into His presence for worship. This week let us share such blessings with others.

DO PLEASE JOIN US for a light reception after worship, prepared by some wonderful and joyful personalities.

ALL GUESTS AND VISITORS ARE INVITED to sign the guest book located at the entrance of the sanctuary.

OUR NEXT BIBLE STUDY MEETING will be held on Wednesday, January 25, 2012 at the Brightwood Center, Brightwood Road (off Falls Road) at 10:00 A.M. Come, learn and enjoy! We continue our journey through the miracles of Jesus Please read St. Mark 10: 45-52 (the healing of blind Bartimaeus) on the power of faith.

OUR NEXT P & R MEETING (PLANNING AND REVIEW) will be held on Monday, January 23, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. here at church. This is an open meeting to which everyone is invited to hear plans past, present and future for St. Andrew's. We are always open to new ideas and suggestions.

NEXT SUNDAY, as part of our mission presentation, we will be honored by a visit from Colonel Michael G. Comeau, Maryland National Guard (retired). Supporting our troops is an important part of our mission program at St. Andrew's.

FEEDING YOUR FAITH. There is no more effective way of feeding our spiritual selves than reading a chapter of the Bible every day. Copies of the Contemporary Bible are available on the lounge piano. Please take a copy, either for yourself or a family member or neighbor. Every day then becomes an adventure.

EXCELLENT CHILD CARE is available every Sunday during our worship hours. Spread the word.

PASTORAL NEEDS? Please do not hesitate to contact our pastor, Ernest Smart, either for yourself or someone in your family. Best contact number is 410-893-9470.

Thought for the week ahead:

“It is often easier to fight for principles than to live up to them.”

– Adlai Stevenson -