


**April 24
2022**

**St. Andrews
Presbyterian Church**

11:00 AM

“Loving People to New Life in Christ”

With God's grace, St. Andrews strives to be a growing inclusive community of faith, working together, sharing Jesus' love, and using our gifts to build and nurture a spiritual community.

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Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones, Pastor

Good Morning. Welcome to St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. We extend a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us today.

Please join us for a time of fellowship following worship. We will gather in our Fellowship Hall for some light refreshments.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION ~ for your personal reflection before worship.

God of the Resurrection, you open the tomb and invite us to sing and dance in the new life you give us. In Jesus Christ, whose wounds are not erased but glorified in resurrection, touch our wounds that they may be transformed into channels of healing for others. Holy Spirit, breathe into us the power to forgive so that all may have new life. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
ENTRANCE OF THE PASTOR

GREETING
ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OUR LIFE TOGETHER

ORGAN PRELUDE Hail! Jesus Christ, Our Redeemer
Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

Pastor: Alleluia! Celebrate God in this sacred space! Celebrate God
In all places under heaven!

People: Give praise for God's mighty deeds! Give praise for God's
resurrecting power!

Pastor: Praise God with a fanfare of trumpets.

People: Praise God with the harp and the cello!

Pastor: Praise God with tambourines and dancing!

People: Praise God with flutes and guitars!

Pastor: Praise God with cymbals and drums!

People: Let everything with life and breath praise God!

*HYMN Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty No. 1

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God of the empty tomb and our empty hearts, when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world, forgive us and help us to find our voice. When we are afraid to forgive and to love again, forgive us and give us the power to forgive. When we are afraid to stand up to misguided authority, join with the weak to make us all strong. When we are confined by our hurts, touch us with your wounded hands and set us free. When we are locked behind our doubts and fears, pass through our barricades, open our hearts, and give us peace. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

DECLARATION OF GOD'S PARDON

RESPONSE OF PRAISE Gloria Patri Hymnal No 581

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: As God has poured out the grace of forgiveness and love and peace through Christ, let us also share that grace among ourselves. The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER HYMN Sanctuary No. 701

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE LESSON Revelation 1:4-8 NT pg. 223

SERMON The Theory of Everything
Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones

*HYMN OF RESPONSE Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty No. 35

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*CALL FOR THE OFFERING

*OFFERING (Please remember to leave your offering in the plate at the back of the sanctuary)

* DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow No. 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION - unison

Holy One, bless our offerings and transform them into healing for the wounded, hope for the disheartened, courage for the frightened, and faith for the embittered. In the name of Jesus Christ, your faithful witness, the first resurrected, and ruler of the sovereigns of the earth. Amen.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE

*HYMN Of the Father's Love Begotten No. 108

*CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

*CHARGE AND BENEDECTION

Extinguishing the candles of worship and taking the light of Christ into the world.

ORGAN POSTLUDE Fanfare and Statement on "Llanfair"
R Williams/ E Broughton

When you see an * please stand as you are able

Today's Servants

Pastor Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones
Organist Francene Beall
Music Director: Stephanie Reynolds

Prayer Concerns

Joy in having visitors with us Easter morning: Victoria Bohn, Julie and Ed Seidl, Carmen Diaz

Keeping in our prayers: Dolores Wilmers , Kathy Fuller, Mary Jane and Junior Elder, Rita Kelly, Cheryl Kelly, AJ Jones.

Continue prayers for Andy, Jim and Mark O'Neill; Rev. Mike Kuner, Pam Nigus.

Marlene Watson (recovering, hip surgery), Evon Meyer (friend of Charles, continued health issues), Sharon McDaniels (recovery from rotator cuff surgery), Matthew Reynolds (upcoming scan to determine issue with bone in rib cage causing pain), Matthew (Martin's brother, struggling with emotional issues),

Norm Schiesser (cancer is spreading), Mike Liapis (Marguerite's brother-in-law, colon cancer, spread to liver)

Remember all those who serve -our active duty and veteran personnel,

firefighters, EMTs, police officers, and medical personnel who continue to serve, the hungry and the homeless.

Pray for peace for our community, nation and the world. Pray especially for the war in Ukraine and the people suffering there.

Pray for our government officials and world leaders that they may govern to serve the people and lead with wisdom and compassion.

Birthdays

None this week

Anniversaries

Richmond and Sharon McDaniels, May 1, 1976

Calendar:

Today, April 24- 10:15 - Bible Study
11:00 - Worship
Congregational Meeting

Saturday, April 30- 9:00 a.m.-Presbytery by zoom

Sunday, May 1-

10:15 - Bible Study

11:00 - Worship, Communion

Directory Change

Randy & Asya Luedke

3009 Geneva Drive

Manhattan, KS 66502

Stephanie Reynolds new phone

number: 785-925-2344

There will be a congregational meeting TODAY to elect a session member to fill an unexpired term for the Class of 2022. The nominee from the Nominating Committee is Dean Robinson.

Hardening of the heart ages more people than hardening of the arteries.