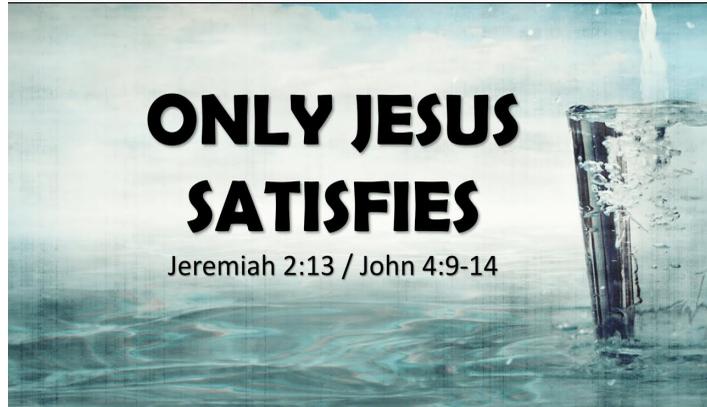


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**August 28  
2022**

**St. Andrews  
Presbyterian Church**

**11:00 AM**

***“Loving People to New Life in Christ”***

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*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.*

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 following worship for a time of fellowship and light refreshments. We'll meet in Fellowship Hall.

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION ~ for your personal reflection before worship.

This morning, O God, your voice sounds into our lives again. We are grateful to hear your call, for on many mornings we hear other voices - voices urging us to care only about ourselves; voices urging us to serve other gods: our work, our bank accounts, our egos, our peer groups, our ideologies. By the end of the week, we feel trapped in our anxiety, our work, our spending, our need for control, and our excuses. And then we hear your voice again, calling us to your healing care, to your spacious freedom, to your giving humility. We come to rest and be fed. Call us to your freeing love again. Feed us now, God of our strength. Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES  
ENTRANCE OF THE PASTOR

GREETING  
ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OUR LIFE TOGETHER

ORGAN PRELUDE      Make a Joyful Noise  
Mary McDonald

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor:      Sing aloud to God our strength!  
People:      Sing the story of our faith.  
Pastor:      Sing of God's providential care:

People:      Water in the desert, honey from a rock.  
Pastor:      Sing of God's sorrow at our wandering!  
People:      Sing of God's love that calls us anew.  
Pastor:      Sing aloud to God our strength!

\*HYMN                      For the Beauty of the Earth                      No. 14

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION      (Unison)

Merciful God, we find it hard to see in ourselves the trappings our society so admires and serves - power, wealth, and access that forget mutual love. We fail to see our allegiance to these dangerous gods - rushing for places of honor, scorning the humble and lowly, supporting systems that survive on greed and abuse. Forgive us when we are fearful that there is not enough. Remind us that you are enough. Teach us your generosity. Teach us your world-changing humility. Teach us your expansive love. Transform us and heal our lives. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS

DECLARATION OF GOD'S PARDON

RESPONSE OF PRAISE              Gloria Patri                      Hymnal No 581

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his name and share his peace. The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

## CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

## SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER HYMN Sanctuary No. 701

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

## WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON Jeremiah 2:4-13

Pew Bible OT pg. 659

SERMON Self Sabotage

Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE Open Your Ears, O Faithful People No 453

## 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

Dear Lord, we thank you for your goodness in our lives. As we give our tithes and offerings, we recognize your generosity in our lives. You are a giving God. We can never outgive you. You are a God who blesses, and our lives are all blessed by you. Thank you, Father, for giving us financial blessings. We thank you for how you've been providing good jobs and businesses to everyone in this place. We thank you for the physical and mental strength that you provide so that we can all perform our best in our jobs, businesses, and ministries. O God, we praise and thank you. Amen.

## WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE

\*HYMN How Firm a Foundation No. 463

\*CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

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

ORGAN POSTLUDE Postlude on “Hyfrydol”

RH Pritchard/JD Payne

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

Dolores and Misty Wilmers and the family in the death of Darrick Wilmers, Mary Ottiwell (continued discomfort from cracked vertebra and sprained ankle, mobility issues), Judy Morton (to get shots for back pain), Fred Diaz (Carmen’s uncle, liver cancer). Rosemary (friend of Carmen’s, eye surgery), Jim (friend of Carmen’s - broken wrist). Paul Mitchell (fall from bike, hip fracture), Karen Beckley (waiting to do CT scan to determine

cause of health problems), Steve (husband of Sharon’s friend, broken leg and ankle); Elvin Bush (friend of Carmen’s, sores on leg)

Carmen to visit her 104-year old father.

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

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.

Lift up in prayer those victims of the continuing tragedies in this country and the floods and the fires, the ongoing wars and conflicts between countries. Pray for God’s peace in the midst of so much turmoil. May there be healing for the divisions in this country.

Pray for our government officials and world leaders that they may lead with wisdom and compassion.

**Birthdays**

Jan Rice, August 30<sup>th</sup>

**Anniversaries**

None This Week

Calendar:

Today, August 28 - 10:15 - Bible Study

11:00 - Worship

Sunday September 4- 10:15 - Bible Study

11:00 - Worship, Communion

Monday, August 5 - Labor Day