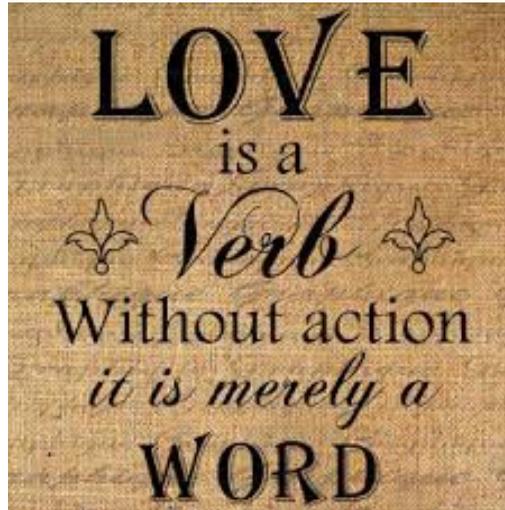


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**August 30  
2020**

**St. Andrews  
Presbyterian Church**

**11:00 AM**

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***“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.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION ~ for your personal reflection before worship.

From all our life's pathways, you have called us to this place, O Lord. Be with us as we listen for your word and seek your ways. Guide our steps and guard our lives that we may serve you more effectively in this broken world. Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

ENTRANCE OF THE PASTOR

## GREETING

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church extends a warm welcome in the name of Christ to all who worship with us today. If you are interested in joining our church family, please speak to one of our elders, or you may call the church office during the week.

There is no scheduled fellowship time. You may visit outside after the service.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OUR LIFE TOGETHER

ORGAN PRELUDE    Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring            JS Bach

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor:        Give thanks to the Lord!

People:        We will sing God's praises!

Pastor:        Seek the Lord and God's strength.

People:        We continually seek God's presence in our lives.

Pastor:        Remember all the wonderful things that God has done.

People:        Praise the Lord! Amen

\*Hymn                      For the Beauty of the Earth    (Not sung)    No. 14

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of love and mercy, be with us this day. We have faltered in our service to you. We create divisions between various people; we judge before we listen; we condemn before we make any attempt to understand. Our lives are in turmoil and we confess that we have turned away from you. It is fear and anger that too often surrounds us and our actions become based on those fears and anger. Slow us down, Lord. Give us hearts overflowing with grace and compassion. Help us to mirror Jesus who loved and healed others who were rejected by "polite" society. Remind us that we are called to be strong voices of hope for those who feel alienated and lost; we are called to be a home to strangers; to quench thirst and to give nourishment; to welcome and bring words of hope. Forgive us when we have forgotten these things. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

### SILENT PRAYERS

### DECLARATION OF GOD'S PARDON

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE    Gloria Patri    (not sung)

Hymnal No. 581

Jesus Loves Me This I know

### CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Pastor Stacey

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 Romans 12:9-21 (NT) p. 149

SERMON Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE I Love Thy Kingdom , Lord (not sung) No. 310

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

Lord of all mercy and compassion, bless these gifts lovingly offered and all the people here. Help us to use these gifts for ministries of hope through our church and into our community, nation and world. Amen.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE

\*HYMN O Jesus, I Have Promised (Not sung) No. 724

\*CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

POSTLUDE All Creatures of Our God and King Arr: John Innes

When you see an \* please stand as you are able.

Today's Servants

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

PRAYER CONCERNS

Keep these folks in your prayers this week:

Pastor Stacey (determining cause for back and leg pain), Mary Jane and Junior Elder, Rita Kelly, Cheryl Kelly, Kathy Fuller (health concerns for her dog Abby), Karl and Dolores Wilmers (difficult time-deteriorating health issues), Rod Elder (effort to sell house in Manhattan), Richmond

McDaniels (radiation done, sees oncologist in Sept.), Ezra Krumalis, Doug Ottiwell (Mary's son, continued recovering from heart surgery), Jerry Barton (Kathy Fuller's brother, treatment for peritonitis), Megan Reynolds (new job and relocation to Lenexa), Bill Reeder and son (friend of Martin, have the Covid-19 virus), Martin's sister (serving in CoVid hotspots), Richard Beaty (pain issues), Marlene Watson (Francene's sister, hip surgery, blocked artery), Ken Kiselka (toe amputation), Michelle Podusky (back issues); teachers and students dealing with returning to school issues

Remember all those who serve -our active duty and veteran personnel, firefighters, EMTs, police officers, and those on the front lines of service during this pandemic, our nation as we struggle with the effects of the coronavirus. Prayers for those struggling with different aspects of the coronavirus.

Keep our nation in prayers for peace for the violence in the cities throughout our country. Pray for the ongoing conflicts and violence in our own community. Pray for cooperation and respect. among our government officials on all levels. Remember those who have lost jobs, the hungry and the homeless.

### Birthdays

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

Aggie O'Neill, September 7<sup>th</sup>

### Anniversaries

None shown for this week

### Calendar

Today, August 30-	11:00 Worship
Sunday, September 6 -	11:00 Worship, Communion

There was a key found in the narthex last wee. If it could be yours, let Bill or Jan know. It's in the office.