



**January 21
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**St. Andrews
Presbyterian Church**

11:00 AM

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SAINT ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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.

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 in Fellowship Hall for light refreshments and a time of visiting with your church family.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O God, You call to us today, just as You called to the boy Samuel so long ago. Gathered here today, we are different ages, but we pray for the maturity of faith to hear your call and respond to your word. Open our ears and our hearts as we worship, as we work, and as we care for one another. We ask that you would give us courage and integrity to answer your call with the heart-felt words, "Here I am!" Amen

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

ENTRANCE OF THE PASTOR

GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OUR LIFE TOGETHER

ORGAN PRELUDE There's a Wideness in God's Merch

HB Richards/G Peterson

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: God, you call each of us to serve you, and we answer,

People: "Here I am!"

Pastor: Jesus, you call each of us to follow you, and we answer,

People: "Here I am!"

Pastor: Holy Spirit, you call each of us to worship you this day, and we answer,

People: "Here I am!"

*HYMN

God of Our Life

No. 686

CALL TO CONFESSION

PREPARE OF CONFESSION

Because we are so focused on ourselves, God, it is hard to see the lives which others endure. When we are so worried about how the economy will affect us, we do not notice those in need around us. As we grumble about our aches and pains, and about how difficult it is to get out of the bed each day, we easily ignore the broken. Forgive us, God of goodness and grace. Speak to us of healing, so we might bring help to others. Speak to us of grace, so hearing, we may share it with everyone we meet. Speak to us of love and life, so we may offer it as freely as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, brought to us.

SILENT PRAYERS

DECLARATION OF GOD'S PARDON

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Gloria Patri

Hymnal No. 581

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: God has called us to live in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also in 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 1 Samuel 3:1-20 Pew Bible OT pg. 242

SERMON What Eli Has to Offer

Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones

HYMN OF RESPONSE I, the Lord of Sea and Sky No. 69

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

We are hesitant to offer our gifts in this moment, Loving God, because in the back of our minds, we wonder if any good will come of helping the poor, feeding the hungry, reaching out to the stranger. But by your grace, not only goodness, but hope and healing will pour out of what we give in these moments. Bless our gifts, we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE

*HYMN Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak No 722

*CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Pastor: God sends us out, so that grace will not be rare in our time.

People Here we are, ready to go and share love and mercy with those around us.

Pastor: Jesus calls us to go out, so that justice will not be rare in our time.

People: Here we are, ready to speak truth to power, walking with those on oppressions' mean streets.

Pastor: That Spirit fills us with compassion, so that peace will not be rare in our time.

People: Here we are, offering hope to those living in fear, working for reconciliation in brokenness.

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

POSTLUDE Fanfare and Trumpet Tune

H Percell/L Smith

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

JOYS AND PRAYER CONCERNS.

Pastor Stacey (physical therapy; diagnosed torn miniscus), Jan Rice, (5-year medication, pray for no side effects), Sue Aschenbrenner (recovery from seizures),Anita Evanhoe (friend of Jan's in Dayton, OH-cancer), Tad Estes, Kaylin McDaniels, Don and Suzie Marker, Dana

McDaniels , Marlene Watson, Jo Ann Miller (foot healing slowly), Judy Morton (wrist not healing, unable to work),

Keeping in our prayers: Dolores Wilmers, Rita Kelly, Cheryl Kelly

Remember all our service men and women, both active and veterans, those who protect us- firefighters, EMTs, police officers.

Prayers for the hungry and the homeless.

Prayers for the victims of the ongoing Israel-Palestinian War and war in Ukraine. Prayers for the release of hostages.

Pray for our government officials and world leaders..

For those across the nation suffering from the extreme cold, ice, snow and loss of power.

Birthdays

Jadyn Baum, January 23rd

Matthew Reynolds, January 29th

Anniversaries

None this week

Calendar

Today, January 21- 10:15-Bible Study; 11:00-Worship,
Installation of Officers
Session

Sunday, January 28- 10:15-Bible Study; 11:00-Worship

Officers installed today:

Betty DeShazer, Bill DeShazer, Charles Franks