


**May 15
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 be celebrating Focus Murota's and AJ' birthdays, and also bidding farewell to Focus. We will gather in our Fellowship Hall.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION ~ for your personal reflection before worship.

Surprising God, in the resurrection of Jesus Christ you make all things new. Long ago you called your church to a love beyond all social and cultural differences and gave them the gift of your Holy Spirit to open their hearts to enact such love. Give us that same spirit of openness, that we too might discern new directions in our day for your dream to reconcile and heal all creation. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES ENTRANCE OF THE PASTOR

GREETING ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OUR LIFE TOGETHER

ORGAN PRELUDE Crown Him With Many Crowns
G Elvey/M Gaspard

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: We gather for worship as children of God.
People: We come to remember who and whose we are.
Pastor: We gather for worship to be renewed in our faith.
People: We come with hearts open to receive God's love.
Pastor: We gather for worship to catch a vision of what might be.
People: Few come ready to change what is.

Pastor: We gather for worship in gratitude for all we have been given.

People: With thanksgiving, we lift our voices in songs of praise.

*HYMN For the Beauty of the Earth No. 14

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God of mercy, your command to love one another across all differences opens us to new horizons, yet we often respond with fear and judgment that hinders your goal for humanity. Forgive our sins, we pray, and give us a true repentance that leads to life for all creation. We pray in Jesus' name. 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.

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 Acts 11:1-18 NT pg. 120

SERMON Lead, Follow or Get Out of the Way
Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones

*HYMN OF RESPONSE Holy Spirit, Come to Us No. 284

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

Loving God, we give you thanks for the ministry of reconciliation to which you call us in the name of Jesus Christ and his resurrection. Accept these gifts for your mission to heal all creation. May they be a testament to your love for us as we share them in love for you; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE

*HYM N O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing No. 610

*CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

ORGAN POSTLUDE Thine Be the Glory GF Handel/M Gaspard

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

Jenny Kuner, family and friends in Mike's passing

Family of Bob Bodenheimer in his passing.

Carmen Diaz, joy in welcoming new baby boy into the family

Marlene Watson (recovering, hip surgery), Sharon McDaniels (recovery from rotator cuff surgery), Matthew Reynolds (waiting for scan results), Norm Schiesser (was hospitalized, home now), Gale Myers (Tad Estes son-in-law, prostate cancer), Fred Diaz (Carmen's uncle, liver cancer), Mary Ottiwell (surgery for breast cancer), Rita Kelly (still hospitalized)

Keeping in our prayers: Dolores Wilmers , Kathy Fuller, Mary Jane and Junior Elder, 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. Pray especially for the people of Ukraine as the war goes on there.

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

Birthdays

Focus Murota, May 16th

AJ Jones, May 26th

Anniversaries

None this week

Calendar:

Today, May 15 - 10:15 - Bible Study

11:00 - Worship

Birthday celebration for Focus and AJ following worship. Bidding farewell to Focus leaving on the 19th.

Sunday, May 22 - 10:15 - Bible Studay

11:00 - Worship

Session following worship