


**September 13
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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.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION ~ for your personal reflection before worship.

In this moment, gracious God, you have called us away from the world to a place and a time where we can commune with you and with one another. Hallow this communion, we pray. Calm our anxious spirits, that we may be set apart to hear your word of truth through which we receive grace to bring about the obedience of faith. Open us to the reality of your all-embracing love, both in this place and in the wider world. May we, by our words and action, be bearers of your kingdom, in the name and Spirit of the Christ. 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 Open My Eyes C. Scott/RJ Hughes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Sing praise to God who rescues us when we fall!

People: Sing praise to God who walks with us on all our journeys!

Pastor: Even though we fall, God lifts us and places us on paths of peace.

People: Even though we stray, God finds us and brings us back to lives of hope

Pastor: Thanks be to God, whose love is continually with us.

People: Praise be to God, whose mercy is over all of us. Amen.

*Hymn In Christ There Is No East or West (Not sung) No. 318

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Lord, your grace and mercy are ever present in our lives, your forgiveness is boundless in mercy when we fail to live in Christlike ways. And yet, we are quick to carry a grudge, quick to find fault, quick to assign blame, quick to harden our hearts toward others. Set us apart, loving God, to extend and model the grace you have shown us by offering grace to others. We pray in the name of the One who died so that we might fully live. 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 14:1-12 (NT) p. 150

SERMON Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones

*HYMN OF RESPONSE Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love
(not sung) No. 203

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

Giving God, all we are and all we have come from you. We offer back to you what has always been yours. As you have entrusted your gifts to us, so we return these gifts to you, trusting that you will multiply them to the great glory of your kingdom on earth. We pray through Jesus who gave the totality of his life for us. Amen.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE

*HYMN Blest Be the Ties Than Bind (Not sung) No. 306

*CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

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

POSTLUDE We've a Story to Tell HE Nichol/H. Turner
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 (therapy 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), Francene Beall (procedures to relieve back pain), Richmond McDaniels (radiation done,

to see oncologist), Ezra Krumalis, Doug Ottiwell (Mary's son, continued recovering from heart surgery), Jerry Barton (Kathy Fuller's brother, treatment for peritonitis), Martin's sister (serving in CoVid hotspots), Richard Beaty (pain issues), Marlene Watson (Francene's sister, heart issues), Ken Kiselka (toe amputation), , Martin and siblings (family situation), Seam School land teachers and students dealing with returning to school issues, Russ Beall (Francene's brother, recovery from heart attack))

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

Junior Elder's 100th ,September 13th

Anniversaries

Randy and Asya Luedke, September 16, 2018

Calendar

Today, September 13-	11:00 - Worship,
Today, September 13 -	1:30-3:00 -Junior Elder's 100 th Birthday Celebration
September 15 -	6:30 - Session
September 18-	11:30 - Men's/Ladies Lunch
September 19 -	Presbytery -Zoom meeting

DIRECTORY CHANGE

Bob Bodenheimer has moved to Atria Hearthstone. His address is:

Atria Hearthstone East
3415 SW 6th Ave, #516
Topeka, KS 66606

Phone number is the same: 286-7191

Bob cannot have visitors at this time. He would appreciate cards.

There will be a celebration of Junior Elder's 100th birthday TODAY from 1:30 to 3:00. It will be at the First Baptist Church, 3033 SW Macvicar in the gym. Enter from the west side, Door C. Should be a sign that says Welcome Center . Masks required.