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Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones, Pastor

**September 23,
2018**

**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.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRAYER OF PREPARATION ~ for your personal reflection before worship.

We draw near to you, O God, Source of all understanding, and ask you to draw near to us. Teach us your wisdom from above, that we may bear good fruit in our lives. Root us beside the streams of your wisdom, that the green leaves of our goodness, fed by your insight, may not wither. Amen

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

ENTRANCE OF WORSHIP LEADERS

CHORAL INTROIT Come Now Is the Time to Worship Doerksen

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.

Whether you are a first-time visitor or a long-time member, you can help us in our ministry by signing the worship registration pad, placed at the aisle end of your pew.

Please join us for a time of fellowship and some light refreshments in our Fellowship Hall following worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OUR LIFE TOGETHER

ORGAN PRELUDE Assurance Knapp-Bach/Ness Beck

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Who is wise and understanding among us?

People: Those who seek wisdom and understanding each and every day. Those who delight in God and meditate on God's law.

Liturgist: Come, learn more about the wisdom from above, a wisdom that yields a harvest of righteousness.

People: O God, your wisdom is more precious than jewels! We draw near to you.

*HYMN Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise No. 12

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O God, we live our lives as best we can - dealing with difficult relationships and situations, putting failures and disappointments behind us, and moving into each new day with as much energy, goodwill, and optimism as we can muster. But here, right now, we seldom have the right answers, we seldom seek your higher wisdom in our lives, we just move ahead. Forgive us for not asking for your insight. Fill us with your wisdom, that we may live lives of goodness and peace. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS

DECLARATION OF GOD'S PARDON

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE Gloria Patri Hymnal No. 581

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: Jesus came to bring peace among us. Let us sow the seeds for peace in our world by sharing the peace of Christ with one another, stranger and friend alike. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

A TIME WITH OUR YOUNGER CHILDREN Pastor Stacey
(Children, please come forward at the singing of "JESUS LOVES ME.")

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER HYMN Sanctuary No. 701

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

CHORAL ANTHEM As the Deer Nystrom/Wilson

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 1 OT pg. 474

SERMON Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones

*HYMN OF RESPONSE How Happy Are the Saints of God No. 457

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY When Peace Like a River P. Bliss/D. Wagner

DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow No. 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

You are the generous one, full of mercy and goodness for your creation. Send your wisdom with these gifts, that they may reach those who need your love and welcome. Bring about a harvest of goodness through these gifts sown in peace. Amen.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE

*HYMN When Peace Like a River No.840

*CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION As We Leave This Service Lord Presley/Matson

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

POSTLUDE Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing Arr. Douglas Wagner

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

Today’s Servants

Pastor Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones

Organist: Francene Beall

Music Director: Mark Camacho

Liturgist: Betty DeShazer

Ushers: Corinne Robinson & Betty DeShazer

PRAYER CONCERNS

Keep these folks in your prayers this week: Dick O’Neill (continued therapy), Bob Bodenheimer, Betty DeShazer (continued treatment for blood clots in lungs), Charles Franks (joy that he is apparently cancer free), Virginia Bohn (lymphedema treatment), Kathy Parks (fall, broken bones), Rita Kelly, Karl Wilmers, Dolores Wilmers, John Lucero, Don and Olga Fluke, Jerry Barton, Sally Shaffer (hospitalized), Kelly Lindenmeyer Jane,(friend of Charles Franks, heart tests), Alan Reynolds’ brother (back and walking issues), Those Dianne is mentoring at the Mission.

Keep Marine 2nd Lt. Randy Luedke in your prayers, as well as all other active duty and veteran personnel, firefighters, EMTs, and police officers, the victims of violence in our country and the fires in the West and floods from Hurricane Florence. Pray for peace for those countries suffering from war and conflict; the ongoing conflicts and violence in our own community, all our government officials, the hungry and the homeless.

Birthdays

Don Nisbett, September 28th

Anniversaries

None this week

Congratulations to 2nd Lt. Randy Luedke on his graduation from Military Police Training at Ft. Leonardwood, MO. He will be returning to his station in Yuma Arizona.

Thank You

Jan Schiesser brought in a sweet cake Sunday, in honor of her daughter's wedding, plus we shared the leftover cookies from the funeral lunch last week, and Suzie and Don brought in some cheese and crackers to go along with the cake and cookies. It all worked out perfect. Everyone who stayed for our "after church" get together enjoyed it all. Thank you Suzie, Don, and Jan for bringing in the treats and the cake, to share with us. As usual, everyone was having a fun time together.

Kathy

Fellowship Hall

Calendar

Today, September 23-	11:00 - Worship
Thursday, September 27 -	7:00 - Choir rehearsal
Sunday, September 30-	11:00- Worship
	Taco Bar potluck following worship

Coming up

October 10 - Ham and Bean Dinner

The mighty oak was once a little nut that stood its ground.