

Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church
September 4, 2011 12th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 AM

~Welcome to Saint Andrews~

The Church Nursery is available for children through kindergarten age



Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

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OFFICE MINISTRY

Stephanie Slezak
Office Manager/Bookkeeper
Summer Office Hours:
Mon.-Thurs, 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
Office Closed on Fridays

The Church in Preparation

The Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
Exchange of Greetings

The Introit #39 "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" Old 100th

The Call to Worship Susan Race

Leader: God meets us in the midst of our daily routines.
People: God speaks to us when we least expect it.
Leader: God is with us in all of life.
People: Let us open our hearts to God's presence.
Leader: Let us open our lives to God's transforming power.
All: Let us worship God.

The Opening Prayer (*In Unison*)

Loving God, you have called us into your church to be your people. We come, drawn by the promise of your presence, the power of your goodness, and the persistence of your call. Speak to your servants in ways we can understand. Empower us to hear your voice in this hour and to respond with renewed energy and commitment, through the grace of Christ. Amen.

***The Opening Hymn #754** "God of the Ages" Bunessan

(Ushers will collect prayer requests. Please pass them to the center aisle.)

The Prayer of Confession (*In Unison*)

All mighty, all merciful God, we confess that we do not always hear your voice or heed your call. Distracted by other voices and lesser priorities, we find it hard to listen. Overwhelmed with the challenges of work, and home, and family, we find it hard to follow. Forgive us, Lord. Open our eyes and focus our hearts. Help us to respond to your call with courage, trust, and faithful obedience, through the grace of Christ. Amen.

A Time of Silent Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

*The people will rise in body or spirit

The Congregation Sings in Response “Gloria Patri”
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

The Church in Proclamation

Scripture Reading Matthew 16: 13 – 20 N.T. 18
Exodus 3:1 – 15 O.T. 50
Leader: The word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

Anthem “Be Still My Soul” Ansu Benjamin, violin

The Message to Young Christians Susan Moon

The Congregation Sings in Response #607 “Just a Closer Walk with Thee”
I am weak but Thou art strong;
Je-sus, keep me from all wrong;
I'll be sat-is-fied as long
As I walk, let me walk close to Thee.
Just a clos-er walk with Thee-
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea.
Dai-ly walk-ing close to Thee-
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

The Sermon “Call Waiting” Rev. Merry Hope Meloy

***The Hymn** “Walk with Me” (See Insert)

The Church Responds

***The Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed (In Unison)**
I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Offertory Invitation
As the offering plates are being passed, please sign and pass the Friendship Registers located at the end of your pews.

God gives us gifts so that we can give to others. God calls us to share what we have and who we are in service to Christ. Let us bring before the Lord our gifts and offerings.

The Offertory Organ Offertory Chuck Davey

***The Congregation Sings in Response** #6 “Praise God,…”
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***The Prayer of Dedication (In Unison)**
Gracious God, we have heard your call in the cries of your children—cries for bread, for justice, for comfort, for hope, for peace. Show us the way to be messengers of your good news. Use these offerings and our lives to strengthen your church and to heal our world. Amen.

The Church Goes Forth to Serve

***The Hymn** # 541 “Jesus Calls Us” Galilee

***The Benediction**

***The Postlude** ~~~~~

This Week at Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 4, 2011

10:30 AM – Worship
12:00 PM – Youth Sunday Lunches
NO YOUTH GROUP

Monday, September 5, 2011

Labor Day
Office Closed



Tuesday, September 6, 2011

6:00 PM – Investment Committee
6:30 PM – Deacons
7:00 PM – Worship & Outreach

Wednesday, September 7, 2011

5:00 PM – Community Dinner – Saint Andrews Manna Team
6:30 PM – Admin Team
8:00 PM – Narcotics Anonymous

Thursday, September 8, 2011

6:15 PM – Canticleer Ringers
7:30 PM – Chancel Choir

Friday, September 9, 2011

Saturday, September 10, 2011

10:00 AM – Community Day of Prayer

Next Sunday, September 11, 2011

Rally Day

9:00 AM – Rally Day Breakfast
10:30 AM – Worship & Communion
4:30 PM – Youth Group

Reports for Sunday, August 28, 2011

2011 Budgeted Operating Income to Date (Envelopes): \$ 107,692.31
Operating Income (Envelope Giving) to Date: \$ 107,366.84
Deficit: \$ 325.47
Special Giving to Date: \$ 26,647.92
Worship Attendance for August 28, 2011: 87



Worship Leadership

Ushers: Mary Ann Hazlett Scott Hazlett Carol Landis Dave Landis
Liturgist: Susan Race
Children's Sermon: Susan Moon
Children's Church: No Children's Church
Flower Delivery: Natalie McKay
Open the Church: Susan Moon
Close the Church: Scott Hazlett

Next Week: Lori Love-Franke
Next Week: Denise Hawks
Next Week: Dawn Grossman
Next Week: Mary Ann Hazlett
Next Week: Elder Needed
Next Week: Travis Grossman

The Flowers today are given by Carol and Dave Landis in honor of Chris and Gretchen's wedding anniversary.

Prayer Requests can be made by using the purple prayer request cards found in the pew racks. Please pass your requests to the center aisle during the Opening Hymn. They will be shared during the Prayers of the People and distributed to our Prayer Team to be included in this week's prayers.

Restrooms: Please use the left front entrance to the sanctuary and follow the hallway to the right. From the rear of the sanctuary, turn left and go downstairs. The restrooms are at the end of the hallway.

Child Care: The Church Nursery is available for children through pre-Kindergarten age. To find the nursery, please go to the left front entrance of the sanctuary and follow the hallway to the right. The nursery is on the left. If your child would like to be rocked during worship, a rocking chair is available on the left side of the sanctuary.

OFFICE CLOSED



The church office will be closed on Monday, September 5th, in celebration of Labor Day.



OFFICE HOURS



Regular office hours of 9:30 am to 2:30 pm Monday through Thursday will resume on Tuesday, September 6th.



Rally Day Next Sunday, September 11th



Starts at 9:00 am in the Memorial Room

Sunday School is starting up! Join us for a delicious breakfast and fun fellowship next Sunday, Sept 11, at 9:00 am in the Memorial Room. At 9:45, we'll go upstairs to our Sunday School room to meet our teachers and make a fun craft. Later that morning, our congregation will commission our Sunday School teachers during worship. See you there!



Rally Day Communion

We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper together during worship next Sunday, September 11, 2011. Please join us!

Saint Andrews Youth Group meets Sunday evenings from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm



September 4	No Youth Group
September 11	Trinity SNL meet at Saint Andrews at 4:30 pm
September 18	Youth Group
September 25	Youth Group— Special Activity TBD

Sunday Lunches



Saint Andrews Youth will be preparing and distributing Sunday lunches after worship on Sunday, September 4th and Sunday, September 25th.



Elder Training Saturday, September 24th

The Sessions of Saint Andrews and Covenant United Presbyterian Church will meet for joint elder training on Saturday, September 24, from 9:15 am to 1:00 pm.

All In The Family



September 4 Brian Fleeger
September 10 Mary Ann Hazlett



Chancel Choir Fall Season

If ever you were considering joining the choir, this is the year to do it!! Deanna attended classes this summer to learn more about teaching aging voices, young beginner voices, men's voices, and to brush up on singing technique and vocal health. Remember, you don't need to be a singer to join the choir; you need to join to be a singer.

Choir rehearsals will resume Thursday, September 8, from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm. Subsequent rehearsals will end by 8:45 pm.



Canticle Ringers

The Canticle Ringers are on the lookout for new members. If you have a free evening and would like to give handbells a try, here is your chance! Contact Susan Moon at 724-283-9448 or askmoons@zoominternet.net.

Rehearsals begin September 8 at 6:15 pm. Hope to see you there!

DINNER WITH FRIENDS



"Dinner With Friends" will be gathering at the Bravo Italian Kitchen in Cranberry at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 17th. Please RSVP Barb Gallagher at 724-282-4244 if you would like to come. It's always a wonderful night out!

**Saint Andrews Holds
Fifth Annual Community Day of Prayer
Saturday, September 10, 2011**



Saint Andrews will be hosting our Fifth Annual Community Day of Prayer on Saturday, September 10, 2011. The sanctuary will be open from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. for anyone who wishes to stop in and pray. We are asking for volunteers from our congregation to commit to praying for half-hour periods in the sanctuary during that time. If you would like to help pray, please sign up in the narthex or contact Susan Moon. If you would like us to pray for you or someone you know, please fill out the form below and drop it in the offering plate, mail it to Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church, 201 E. Jefferson St. Butler, PA 16001, or email your prayer requests to office@standrewsupc.org. The deadline for prayer requests is September 6, 2011.

COMMUNITY DAY OF PRAYER – PRAYER REQUEST

NAME(S):

Please pray for (circle one):

Comfort	General	Guidance	Healing
Military	Strength	Support	Thanks

Other:



First Sunday Mission Offering

Our First Sunday Mission Offering in September will go to our Sponsored Child at the Indo-American Home for Children. Dison, our sponsored child for the last three years, has been removed from the home by his mother so he can be put to work. While there is some hope that he may be returned to the home, that has not yet happened. It is a sad thing for Dison. Please remember him in prayer, asking God for a better life for him.

On a happier note ~ J. Kowsalya is our new sponsored child. She turned 13 on January 25, 2011 and comes from a very poor family. Her mother works as a laborer and her father has died. Kowsalya has two brothers. She wrote the following letter to her previous sponsors last September. The letter tells us a lot about her personality and thinking.

Dear Sponsored Parents,

I am ok here and my friends in the Home also. How is your family? I am studying well. How is your health? My annual exam is starting now. Everyday I pray to God.

I am studying in 7th std. My favourite subject is maths. Every Saturday we have computer classes, music, spiritual and spoken English classes in the Home. Every Sunday we go to church and attend the service and Bible classes.

I have only two brothers, my father is no more. My mother is a labourer. She gets much less wages. We have a beautiful garden in our Home.

I like our Lord very much. Jesus is my best friend. All our teachers are very nice, specially our Home teachers and Mother. We can easily talk to them our wishes. They treat us very well. We thank our Doctor Sir and Madam for all the things they have given us.

Won't you pray for me? I do always for you. Thanking you.

Lovingly yours,
J. Kowsalya

To help fund our Sponsored Child, simply mark your check "Sponsored Child" or use a "First Sunday Mission Offering" envelope found in the pew rack. Also, please continue to support Dison and J. Kowsalya in prayer. Thank you!

Lift Up Your Voices

