

St Andrew Worship November 14, 2021

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Meeting Times
Sunday at 10:30 Worship
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Procession

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Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord, proclaim God's greatness.

Tell the nations what God has done.

Sing praise to the Lord.

Tell the wonderful things God has done.

Be glad that we belong to God.

Let all who worship God rejoice.

Hymn 450 Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower; raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise; thou, mine inheritance, now and always; Thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all!

Prayer of Confession

God you called us to follow, but often we stray. We follow instead the ways of this world and forget your claim on our lives. You ask us to lead in your name but we lead for our own purpose, often unaware of who is following us. Help us to be imitators of you, O Lord. Make us faithful in our following and courageous in our leading. Forgive when we stumble. Hear our confessions Lord. (Personal confession) Amen.

Assurance of Grace

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Glory be to God. Amen.

RESPONSE

"Glory Be to the Father"

No. 579

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sharing concerns

Song of prayer "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

Prayers lifted to God

PRAYER THE KIRKING OF THE CLANS *(Unison)*

Gracious God, we thank you this day for the goodly heritage given to us by forebears whose clan names we have mentioned. We thank you for all the families who have gone before us, who have been faithful in your service and on whose shoulders we stand in witness to your continuing power, presence and purpose in our world today. May we be known as the Clan of Christ, whose bond knows no state or nation, race or class, but only the freedom of faith, hope and love that we have come to know in Him by whose name we go, and in whose name we pray. Amen.

Hymn 847 Our Hope, Our Life

Our hope, our life are in the Lord, the God we honor and confess. Why crave renown or opulence? They fade, those things we now possess.

Some flaunt their gold; some trust its power, but what they cherish will decay; and still the ransom for a soul remains a price too great to pay.

Though wealth or learning may be ours, or fame that spreads throughout the land, the shackles of mortality prevent so much that we have planned.

Beyond this age of shame and sham we glimpse a better destiny: the Lord will lift us free from death to dwell in praise eternally.

Prayer for Illumination

Shine within our hearts, loving Lord, with the true light of your divine knowledge, and open the eyes of our minds, that we may comprehend the message of your Word, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

First Lesson: Psalm 16

¹ Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

² I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;
I have no good apart from you."

³ As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble,
in whom is all my delight.

- ⁴ Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows;
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out
or take their names upon my lips.
- ⁵ The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;
you hold my lot.
- ⁶ The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
I have a goodly heritage.
- ⁷ I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
in the night also my heart instructs me.
- ⁸ I keep the LORD always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.
- ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;
my body also rests secure.
- ¹⁰ For you do not give me up to Sheol,
or let your faithful one see the Pit.
- ¹¹ You show me the path of life.
In your presence there is fullness of joy;
in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Second Lesson: Mark 13:1-8

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” ² Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” ⁵ Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶ Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷ When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

Sermon

“One of Twelve”

Rev. Anne McAnelly

Affirmation

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of the One God, maker and sustainer of earth, sea and sky. Born of Mary’s womb, faithful to the God of Abraham and Sarah, Jesus healed the sick, served the poor and proclaimed heaven and earth. Condemned by the religious, crucified by the state, he died but transformed even death and rose to life everlasting. He blessed the disciples with his Holy Spirit and sent them forth, east and west, north and south. We commit ourselves to Jesus, to one another as brothers and sisters and to his mission in the world in the grace of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Offering

Doxology

Offering Prayer

O God, most merciful and gracious, of whose bounty we have all received, accept this offering of your people. Remember in your love those who have brought it and those for whom it is given, and so follow it with your blessing that it may promote peace and goodwill among all peoples, and advance the kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn 757 Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

Today we all are called to be disciples of the Lord, to help to set the captive free, make plowshare out of sword, to feed the hungry, quench their thirst, make love and peace our fast, to serve the poor and homeless first, our ease and comfort last.

God made the world and at its birth ordained our human race to live as stewards of the earth, responding to God's grace. But we are vain and sadly proud; we sow not peace but strife. Our discord spreads a deadly cloud that threatens all of life.

Pray justice may come rolling down as in a mighty stream, with righteousness in field and town to cleanse us and redeem. For God is longing to restore an earth where conflicts cease, a world that was created for a harmony of peace.

May we in service to our God act out the living word, and walk the road the saints have trod till all have seen and heard. As stewards of the earth may we give thanks in one accord to God who calls us all to be disciples of the Lord.

Benediction

Recessional