

St Andrew Worship November 21, 2021

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Meeting Times
Sunday at 10:30 Worship
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Introit *Canon in D, arr by Graham Garton* **Bell Choir**

Welcome and Announcements-

Minute 4 Mission CASA Stockings-Dee StClair

Opening Prayer

Almighty ever-living God, it is your will to gather up all things in your beloved one, reigning in the universe in the power that is love, mercifully grant that the whole of creation, freed from slavery, may serve and praise you through Jesus Christ who is alive with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

Hymn 363 Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.

Refrain

Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Our Savior, Jesus, reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above.

Refrain

His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given.

Refrain

Rejoice in glorious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come and gather all the saints to their eternal home.

Refrain

Prayer of Confession

You, God, are our one and only King.

We beg your forgiveness for the other "kings" that we kneel before:

money...

power...

gossip...

self-righteousness

racial privilege...

*We beg your forgiveness, we who are broken and torn apart by our own doings and un-doings.
Guide us to be your servants.*

Lead us to trust in you as the only king we need.

Direct our faith in your sovereign power

as we strive to follow your Son,

through the power of your Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen. Time for silent reflection.

Assurance of Grace

This is the good news: God remembers! Not our sins, not our foolish lives, not our rebellion.

God remembers us - and redeems us!

God prepares the way for us - the way to grace, to hope, to new life.

Joyfully, we offer our thanks to God. Amen.

Anthem /Special Music *Sing to the Lord of Harvest, arr by Sandra Eithun* **Bell Choir**

Prayers of the People **Lord Hear Our Prayer**

Hymn 2181 *We Need a Faith*

We need a faith so color blind, so free from time worn lies, that when we look from face to face we see the eyes of God.

We need an ethic of respect, an honest pledge of trust, that when we share the deepest things we feel the warmth of God.

We need to act as well as speak, to see each other's sweat, that as we labor side by side we do the work of God.

Come, Christians, look for character and not for shade of skin, that as we rend the walls of race we live the peace of God.

Prayer for Illumination

Everlasting God, you are the giver of the Spirit of wisdom and revelation. It is your will to restore all things to Christ, whom you have anointed king forever and ruler of creation. Open the eyes of our hearts this morning and teach us to know the hope to which you have called us, so that we might learn to see you in the face of those around us. *Amen*

First Lesson: Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸ "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Second Lesson: John 18:33-37

³³ Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” ³⁴ Jesus answered, “Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?” ³⁵ Pilate replied, “I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?” ³⁶ Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” ³⁷ Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

Sermon

“God’s Kingdom of Love”

Rev. Anne McAnelly

Affirmation -- written by Bruce Prewer

*We believe in the love-kingdom of God,
through Christ upon us, within us, beyond us.
We believe the love-kingdom is like a mustard seed;
sown in apparent insignificance,
growing into magnificence for the greening of the world.
We believe the love-kingdom is like yeast;
inserted in humble insignificance into the dough of life,
expanding into enough bread for the world.
We believe the love-kingdom of God is like a treasure;
lost and rendered insignificant under the ground,
now found with joy and thanksgiving.
We believe the love-kingdom of God is like pearls;
all others become in insignificant
when the largest, most beautiful pearl of all is found.
We believe the love-kingdom of God is like a net full of fish;
where even insignificant sardines are saved
but worm-ridden barracouta are thrown away.
We believe in the love-kingdom of God,
through Christ upon us, within us, beyond us;
where the meek and the poor, the merciful and the hungry,
rejoice with the angels of God.
Loving God, we believe; scatter our unbelief.*

Offering Music

Simple Gifts arr. Eileen Mihm

Bell Choir

Doxology

Offering Prayer --Carol Penner

*We give our offering hopefully,
hoping that you can use these gifts
hoping that these gifts can further your kingdom
hoping that your kingdom will come.
Your kingdom, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.*

Hymn 614 *Great Are You, Lord*

Great are you, Lord: you are holy and just; by your power we trust in your love.

Great are you, Lord: you are faithful and true; by your mercy you prove you are love.

Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.

Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voice; we lift up our voice: great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!

Congregational Meeting- Elect Officers and Rev. Anne Housing

Benediction

Congregational Meeting

First order of business is to elect the corporate officers:

President: Anne McAnelly

Treasurer: Steve Young

Secretary: Eileen Mihm



Second order of business is to nominate and elect Elders and Deacons for Class of 2024, and 2022 Nominating Committee.

The Nominating Committee presents the following for approval:

Elders:

Kathryn Adkins

Erik Ottem

Eileen Mihm

Deacons:

Matt Walker

Chris DiMiao

2022 Nominating Committee:

Gene Burk

Marsha Gonzales



Third order of business is to approve Pastor Anne's Housing Allowance: 2021 Terms of Call Salary is \$100,615 and of that number \$65,000.00 was approved for Housing. Approve \$65,000.00 for the 2022 Housing Allowance.