

LITURGY

SAINT ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2022

Love God. Make Disciples. Serve Yakima.

WELCOME

Welcome to Saint Andrew's Presbyterian Church. We are a new church in Yakima and we are glad you found us. Our hope here at Saint Andrew's is that you meet Jesus. Meeting Jesus has changed our lives, and we believe it will change yours too. Whether the idea of church is strangely foreign or old-hat familiar to you, feel free to pull up a chair and learn what it means to live life in community with Jesus.

WHAT TO EXPECT?

This bulletin will be your guide through our worship service.

Children: We don't have a separate program for children during our worship services. However, we love children and understand that they aren't always able to sit quietly throughout a service, this is OK! We understand and do not mind their noises because we see our children as part of our church. We do have some clipboard and crayons available at the welcome desk that they are welcome to use if you would like. *Mothers:* We have a nursing mom's room to side of the foyer for those who need it.

GIVE US SEVEN

Being new to a church is never easy. Aside from not knowing people, there are songs and customs that seem foreign. C.S. Lewis calls a church's liturgy a dance. Whenever you are learning a new dance it takes time to learn it before it becomes natural. We feel the same and ask that you would give us 7 worship services to let our liturgy and way of approaching God grow on you. We would love to meet you, please stick around and say hello!



ADVENT

Purple is the color displayed during Advent and Lent. It symbolizes longing, waiting and preparation. During this season as we remember Christ's first coming, we are reminded to look forward in anticipation and hope to His second coming, when, "we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet" *I Cor. 15:51-52*



CREATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:	Our souls magnify the Lord!	
All:	Our spirits rejoice in God our Savior!	
Leader:	The mighty One has done great things for us!	
All:	Holy is God's nam	

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Stir up your power, O Lord and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen JOY TO THE WORLD



Words: Based on Psalm 98, Isaac Watts, 1719; Music: G.F. Handel, 1742; Arr. by Lowell Mason, 1836



FALL

CORPORATE CONFESSION

A: Lord, we have not kept watch for You. We have occupied ourselves with our own concerns. We have not honored Your will for us. We have not acknowledged the love that has been shown to us. Forgive us for our lack of watchfulness, obedience, and love. Help us to walk in Your will. Help us to look out for the needs of others. Help us to work and watch for Your coming. Amen. adapted from Isaiah 1:2, 16-20

Silent confession



REDEMPTION

COMFORTABLE WORDS

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. *Isaiah* 53:4-6

PASSING OF THE PEACE

- L: The peace of Christ be with you
- A: And also with you!

SAVIOR OF THE NATIONS COME



Words: Ambrose, 4th. & Martin Luther, 1523 ; Tr.: Calvin Seervelg, 1984; Music: Enchiridia, Erfut, 1524 arr. Bruce Benedict

ADVENT READING

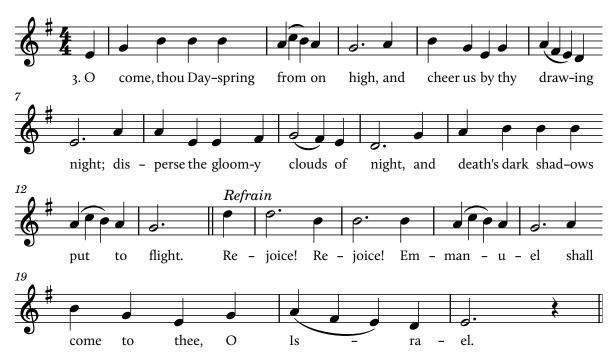
- I Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.
- 2 He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street;
- a bruised reed he will not break,
 and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;
 he will faithfully bring forth justice.
- 4 He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law.
- 5 Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it:
- 6 "I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations,
- 7 to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.
- 8 I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols.
- 9 Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

Isaiah 42:1-9

- L: Come, Lord Jesus, our light and our salvation.
- A: Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

ADVENT PRAYER

O Lord Jesus Christ, you sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Grant that the minister and stewards of you mysteries may likewise make ready your way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient toward the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world, we may be found a people acceptable in your sight; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God now and for ever. Amen.



O COME O COME EMMANUEL

Words: Latin antiphones, 12th cent.; hymn, 1710; Tr. by John Mason Neale, 1851; alt. 1961 Music: Plainsong, 13th cent.; Arr. by Thomas Helmore, 1856

SERMON

Mr. Riker Koempel

2 Now when John heard in prison about the deeds of the Christ, he sent word by his disciples 3 and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?" 4 And Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: 5 the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them. 6 And blessed is the one who is not offended by me."

7 As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? 8 What then did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothing? Behold, those who wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. 9 What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. 10 This is he of whom it is written,

" 'Behold, I send my messenger before your face,

who will prepare your way before you.'

11 Truly, I say to you, among those born of women there has arisen no one greater than John the Baptist. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. 12 From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. 13 For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, 14 and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. 15 He who has ears to hear, let him hear. 16 "But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates,

17 "We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;

we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.'

18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' 19 The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds." *Matthew 11:2-19*

- L: The grass withers and the flowers fade
- A: But the Word of our God will stand forever.

NOTES

APOSTLES CREED

A: 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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into the grave; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

> I believe in the Holy Spirit, The holy catholic church, The communion of saints, The forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body And the life everlasting. Amen.

GIVING

You can give through our website at saintandrewsyakima.org/give, or in person with the box at our greeter table.

PRAYER

A: 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.

Let all mor – tal flesh keep with fear and si _ lence, and King of kings, yet born of of old Mar y, as on Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van guard his feet the At six – winged ser – aph; cher – u bim, with _ 5σ trem - bling stand: pon - der noth – ing earth - lv mind - ed. earth he stood, Lord of lords, in hu – man ves – ture, the the Light of light de scend - eth on way, as _ sleep - less their fac - es veil to the pres - ence, eye, 10 $\mathbf{\hat{}}$ for with bless - ing in his hand, Christ our God to earth de the bod - y and the the in blood. he will give to all the realms of end - less the pow'rs of hell from day, that may with cease-less voice they "Al – le – lu - ia, al - le as cry, 15 scend eth, full hom - age de mand. _ our to _ faith ful his own self for heav'n - ly food. _ ish the dark - ness clears way. van as а lu ia, al le _ lu – ia, Lord Most High!" -

LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE

Words: Liturgy of St. James, 5th cent., Adapted by Gerard Moultrie, 1864; Music: French Melody, 17th cent., Arr.: Vaughan Williams, 1905



CONSUMMATION

EUCHARIST

- L: The Lord be with you
- A: and also with you.
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- A: We lift them up to the Lord.
- L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- A: It is right to give thanks and praise. Sursum Corda
- L: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
- A: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- L: Great is the mystery of Faith:
- A: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise him all creatures here below Praise him above ye heavenly hosts Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

BENEDICTION

 L: May the Lord bless you and keep you; May the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. based on Numbers 6:24-25

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Potluck Today!

Following worship, join us for our monthly potluck. This is a great time to connect with someone new! This month we are having a Lasagna Cook-off and the kids will judge to determine which dish is the best!

Men's Upcoming Book Study

Men of Saint Andrew's, if you are interested in beginning a lunchtime book study (I-2 times per month) going through *Habits of the Household* by Justin Earley in the new year, please reach out to David Jamison (david.jamison@saintandrewsyakima. org).

Women's Midwinter Bible Study

This mid-winter, the women of St Andy's are invited to join in for a 6 week Bible study on 28 women in Scripture and how God worked in and through their lives. This study will be on Monday nights from 6:30-8pm at Bernadine Bracewell's home (309 N 37th Ave), beginning on January 23rd. You can purchase your copy of the Daugthers of Grace study from the Daily Grace Co. website. Please plan to have the first week's homework completed for our 1st session.

Home Groups

One of the best ways to connect at Saint Andrew's is to join a mid week Home Group where we share a meal and prayer in homes. If you are interested in joining a Home Group please email Pastor Craig at Craig.harris@saintandrewsyakima.org

Church Center

Connect with Saint Andrew's on Church Center to stay connected during the week. Sign Up at standrewsyakima.churchcenter.com

Other Upcoming Dates:

- 12/24 Christmas Eve Service
- 12/25 Christmas Day Service
- 1/8 Epiphany Party @ Hayters



COVER ART:

The Shepherd King, Pete Williamson 2021

The symbol on the cover represents Christ, our Shepherd-King, ruling and guiding all things, by the work of the cross, for our good and His glory. This symbol combines 3 traditional symbols used in Christian history. I. The orb-cross represents Christ ruling the world through the cross. 2. The staurogram, ancient shorthand for the words "cross" and "crucify" in Greek, focus our attention to the necessity of Christ's cross for our redemption. 3. The shepherd's crook reminds us that Christ is not an authoritarian ruler, but a King who lays down his own life to shepherd his people through green pastures and by still waters.

LITURGICAL ART:

Creation, Fall, Redemption, Consummation; Liturgical Symbols, Ned Bustard, 2022 Our worship service follows the rhythms and narrative of Scripture, divided into 4 main sections. *I. Creation:* We recognize God as almighty, holy, and glorious, who speaks and by the power of His word creates all things good. He is far above and beyond us. Therefore we worship, praise and glorify Him. *2. Fall:* Humanity, through Adam and Eve, sinned against the holy God through their rebellious disobedience. We, being born in their likeness, confess our sins, idolatries, and forgetfulness of God in hope, knowing all is forgiven in the finished work of Christ. 3. Redemption: In the person of Jesus Christ, God who is far above all creation, becomes incarnationally bound to it. In response to our confession of sins, Christ beckons us to see that His being lifted up on the cross and rising from the grave pardons, forgives, heals, and restores all things. 4. Consummation: When we come to the eucharist table we look forward to the marriage supper of the lamb. In a very real sense heaven is most present among us as we break bread and drink wine together, anticipating the day when all things are perfected in Christ. Being reminded of this, we are sent out to introduce people to lesus and invite the world into this same rhythm of worship.





