



Saint Andrew's Presbyterian Church

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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. We don't currently 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.

Give us 7

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!

Call to Worship

Jeremiah 33, Psalm 25

L: The days are surely coming, says the Lord,
when I will cause a righteous Branch to spring forth
and bring my promised salvation to Israel.

A: The Lord is our righteousness.

L: The days are surely coming, says our God,
when justice and mercy will be executed
throughout the land.

A: The Lord is our righteousness.

L: L: The days are surely coming, says the Lord,
when my promised one will teach transgressors my ways,
and heal the world with love and mercy.

A: The Lord is our righteousness.

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

1. Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth thou art;
Dear Desire of ev'ry nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

2. Joy to those who long to see thee,
Day-spring from on high, appear;
come, thou promised Rod of Jesse,
of thy birth we long to hear!
O'er the hills the angels singing news,
glad tidings of a birth:
"Go to him, your praises bringing;
Christ the Lord has come to earth."

3. Come to earth to taste our sadness,
he whose glories knew no end;
by his life he bring us gladness,
our Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend.
Leaving riches without number,
born within a cattle stall;
this is the everlasting wonder,
Christ was born the Lord of all.

4. Born thy people to deliver,
Born a child, and yet a King,
Born to reign in us for ever,
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By thine all-sufficient merit
Raise us to thy glorious throne.

Confession

A: Almighty God,
you who shaped out of nothing all that is,
forgive us for returning empty-handed.
You who called forth light,
forgive our preference for the dark!
You who sent John to be a voice crying,
forgive our unwillingness to say anything at all!
Create in us clean hearts, O God,
and renew a right spirit within us.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pardon

Revelation 21:2-5

And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

Passing the Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

A: And Also with you!

The Savior of the Nations Come

1.Savior of the nations, come,
Show yourself, the virgin's son.
Marvel heaven, wonder earth,
That our God chose such a birth.

2.Not by human power or seed
Did the woman's womb conceive;
Only by the Spirit's breath
Was the Word of God made flesh.

3.Mary then was found with child,
Still a virgin, chaste and mild.
God had favored her with grace
To receive the Prince of Peace.

4.Christ laid down his majesty,
Passed through dark Gethsemane.
Though he left his Father's home,
Christ now sits on God's own throne.

5.Christ in glory intercede
For your creatures' suffering need.
Let your resurrecting power
Soon complete the victory hour.

6.Praise to you, O Lord, we sing.
Praise to Christ, our newborn King!
With the Father, Spirit, one,
Let your lasting kingdom come.

Advent Reading

Ezekiel 47:1-12

L: Come, Lord Jesus, our light and our salvation.

A: Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

O come, thou Key of David, come
And open wide our heav'nly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

Sermon

The Present/Future Advent

Revelation 22

L: The grass withers and the flower fades

A: But the word of our God will stand forever.

Apostles Creed

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.

Offering

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

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.

Communion Song

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

1. Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming
From tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming
As men of old have sung.
It came, a floweret bright,
Amid the cold of winter
When half-gone was the night.

2. Isaiah 'twas foretold it,
The Rose I have in mind:
With Mary we behold it,
The virgin mother kind.
To show God's love aright
She bore to men a Savior
When half-gone was the night.

3. This flower, whose fragrance tender
With Sweetness in the air
Dispels with glorious splendor
The darkness everywhere
True Man, yet very God
From sin and death He saves us
And lightens every load

4. O Savior, Child of Mary
Who felt our human woe
O Savior, King of Glory
Who dost our weakness know
Bring us at length we pray
To the bright courts of Heaven
And to the endless day

Communion

Leader: The Lord be with you

All: and also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord
our God.

**All: It is right to give thanks and
praise.**

Leader: As often as we eat this bread
and drink this cup we proclaim
the Lord's death until he
comes.

All: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Leader: Great is the mystery of faith:

**All: 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