



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

Isaiah 9:2, 6

L: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light

A: Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has a light shone.

L: For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given

**A: And His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace**

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King:
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with th'angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

*Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King"*

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of the Virgin's womb:
veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail th'incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel. [Refrain]

3. Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.

Confession

O God, in the beginning you spoke,
and creation was born, the object of your loving care.
In the fullness of time you spoke,
and the Word became flesh, Jesus, gift of your love.
We wonder at the miracle of creation;
we stand in awe before the mystery of the incarnation.
Forgive us earthbound creatures, feeble in faith,
empty of hope, lacking in love.
Forgive our doubt and renew in us all fine desires,
that we may hear the glad story of our Savior, Jesus Christ, the Lord. Amen.

Pardon

Titus 3:4-7

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Passing the Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

A: And Also with you!

Dawning Light of Our Salvation

1. Long in darkness Israel wandered;
Long in mortal shadows, we
Walked in bondage and self-pity,
Trod in paths of sin and grief.
In the prophets' words He told us,
Long the God of Israel spoke;
He alone in strength would save us
From the hands of all our foes.

*Every valley be exalted!
Every mountain be made plain!
Crooked ways repent and straighten;
All creation bend in praise!*

2. He shall raise a mighty Savior;
Born of David's lineage, He
Comes in cov'nant love to claim us
From our sins to set us free.
Light to those who dwell in darkness
Life to those from death who flee
Joy unto the earth, and gladness,
To your pathways dawning peace!

3. Jesus, Lord, and mighty Savior,
David's Son and yet his King,
Dawning light of our salvation,
Of your saving pow'r we sing!
Stand, Oh lame, and dance ye broken,
Know the Savior's healing grace;
Come, Oh deaf and hear him singing;
Turn, Oh blind, behold his face!

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 61:10—62:5

L: This is the Word of the Lord

A: Thanks be to God

New Testament Reading

Galatians 3:23—4:7

L: This is the Word of the Lord

A: Thanks be to God

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest

Sermon

Mark 9:2-8

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

Joy to the World

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

Let earth receive her King;

Let every heart prepare Him room,

And Heaven and nature sing,

And Heaven and nature sing,

And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing.

2. Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!

Let men their songs employ;

While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains

Repeat the sounding joy,

Repeat the sounding joy,

Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

3. No more let sins and sorrows grow,

Nor thorns infest the ground;

He comes to make His blessings flow

Far as the curse is found,

Far as the curse is found,

Far as, far as, the curse is found.

4. He rules the world with truth and grace,

And makes the nations prove

The glories of His righteousness,

And wonders of His love,

And wonders of His love,

And wonders, wonders, of His love.

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