

# St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

First Sunday of Lent

February 18, 2018

Pastor, Rev. Dr. Darryl Goldman

Elder Ceil Hydrick, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist/Organist

Prelude "There Is a Fountain" Dr. Gilbreath

Pastor's Welcome

Minute for Mission: Christian Education John Jordan

Call to Worship

Leader: There are some journeys for which we long

**People: But the journey to the cross looks as though it will be difficult.**

Leader: The way of discipleship and faith is difficult.

**People: We would prefer something easier. We are not ready for this trip.**

Leader: Put your hearts at ease. You are not traveling alone.

**People: Perhaps we can accomplish this trip. At least we will try the first step.**

Prayer of Adoration

\*Hymn "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" #216  
*Please pass your prayer cards to the aisle for pickup.*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

*Lord, we confess that we would rather have a nice parade, with banners waving and people cheering than to face the suspicious eyes of the fearful people. We want them to believe in Jesus right away and to walk away from the path to the cross. But it could not be so. Jesus walked straight into the path of destructive fear and faced it with his life. From his table of compassion and from the cross, he offered healing words of love and hope. As we continue our Lenten journey, forgive us, we pray, for our eagerness to leave the scenes of hurt, anger, and hostility, as we march into the bright sunlight that will be Easter. Give our souls healing so that Easter may truly shine through us. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen. (We offer our own silent confessions.)*

Hymn "As the Deer" #626

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**People: Thanks be to God.**

The Peace

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.** (Please share the peace of Christ with those near you.)

\*Gloria Patri #581

Anthem "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God" Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Genesis 9:8-17 Elder Hydrick

Children's Message Nellie Gates

Scripture Reading Mark 1:9-15 Rev. Goldman

Message "A More Opportune Time" Rev. Goldman

\*Hymn "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" #212

\*Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed

*Let us confess our faith. We believe in one God, the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God from God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made, who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

Prayers of the People/the Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Offertory "Behold the Lamb" Dr. Gilbreath

\*Doxology #606

\*Prayer

\*Hymn "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" #213

\*Charge & Benediction

Postlude "Are You Washed in the Blood?" Dr. Gilbreath

\*All that are able are invited to stand.  
***Bold italic type indicates our shared response.***  
All hymns are from the Glory to God (purple) hymnal.

**To Our Visitors & Guests:**

***Welcome!*** It is a blessing to have you in worship with us today! We invite you to consider membership in St. Andrew Presbyterian Church. The pastor and elders will be available following the service to answer any questions you may have. If you are a first time visitor, we would like to take you to lunch, so don't run out on us. ***There is a place for you here. We are delighted to have you with us today!***

**St. Andrew Elders & Ministry Teams 2018** **Chairperson**

Clerk of Session .....	Stu Strong
Worship .....	Linda Webster & Linda Grissom
Member Care .....	B. J. Breeding
Education & Spiritual Formation .....	John Jordan & Teresa Culbert
Mission .....	Greg Vogel
Communications & Outreach .....	Harold Culbert & Ceil Hydrick

**Committees & Subcommittees**

Administration, Finance & Property .....	Stu Strong, Turner Matthews & Ed Wyle
Personnel & Planning .....	Ed Wyle
Building/Grounds .....	Stu Strong
Finance & Stewardship .....	Turner Matthews & Tommy Gates
Nominating .....	Dan Watt & Jim Boyd
Head Usher .....	Donald Foster

**Class of 2018**

Stu Strong  
Harold Culbert  
Linda Webster

**Class of 2019**

Ceil Hydrick  
Greg Vogel  
Turner Matthews

**Class of 2020**

BJ Breeding  
Dan Watt  
Ed Wyle

**Wednesday Activities**

6:00 PM Potluck Supper  
6:30 PM Bible Study for all ages

# Welcome to



February 18, 2018 - 10:00 a.m.

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**Scripture Reading, Ceil Hydrick: Genesis 9:8-17**

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

**Scripture Reading, Rev. Goldman: Mark 1:9-15**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."