

# St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 18, 2018

Pastor, Rev. Dr. Darryl Goldman

Elder Stu Strong, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist/Organist

Prelude Dr. Gilbreath

Pastor's Welcome

Minute for Mission: One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Barb Mouton

Call to Worship

Leader: This is the fifth step on our Lenten journey, the step of sacrifice.

**People: Be with us, Lord, as we take this step.**

Leader: This requires the willingness to give all of your life to the Lord.

**People: Be with us, Lord, as we commit our lives to you.**

Leader: Come, let us worship and offer our voices of praise to God.

**People: Let us open our hearts and spirits to God this day. AMEN.**

Prayer of Adoration

\*Hymn "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" #4  
Please pass your prayer cards to the aisle for pickup.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen** (We confess our sins in silence . . .)

Hymn "In God Alone" #814

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 "Lamb of God"/ "Were You There?" Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 31:27-34 Elder Strong

Youth Message Elder B. J. Breeding

Scripture Reading John 12:20-36 Rev. Goldman

Message "Why the Cross?" Rev. Goldman

\*Hymn "In the Garden" See Screen

\*Affirmation of Faith: The Second Helvetic Confession 1531, Chapter XVII, 5.125

***WHAT IS THE CHURCH? The Church is an assembly of the faithful called or gathered out of the world; a communion, I say, of all saints, namely, of those who truly know and rightly worship and serve the true God in Christ the Savior, by the Word and Holy Spirit, and who by faith are partakers of all benefits which are freely offered through Christ. CITIZENS OF ONE COMMONWEALTH. They are all citizens of the one city, living under the same Lord, under the same laws, and in the same fellowship of all good things. For the apostle calls them "fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God" (Eph. 2:19), calling the faithful on earth saints (I Cor. 4:1), who are sanctified by the blood of the Son of God. The article of the Creed, "I believe in the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints," is to be understood wholly as concerning these saints.***

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

Offertory Dr. Gilbreath

\*Doxology #606

\*Prayer

\*Hymn "O Jesus, I Have Promised" #724

\*Charge & Benediction

Postlude 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**

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# Welcome to



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**Scripture Reading, Stu Strong: Jeremiah 31:27-34**

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD. In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt--a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

**Scripture Reading, Rev. Goldman: John 12:20-36**

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will

honor. "Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say--'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light." After Jesus had said this, he departed and hid from them.

***"In the Garden"***

***Words and Music by C. Austin Miles***

***I come to the garden alone,  
while the dew is still on the roses;  
and the voice I hear falling on my ear,  
the Son of God discloses.***

***Chorus:***

***And He walks with me, and He talks with me,  
And He tells me I am His own,  
And the joy we share as we tarry there,  
None other, has ever known.***

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*He speaks, and the sound of His voice  
is so sweet the birds hush their singing;  
and the melody that He gave to me  
within my heart is ringing.*

**Chorus**

*And He walks with me, and He talks with me,  
And He tells me I am His own,  
And the joy we share as we tarry there,  
None other, has ever known.*

**I'd stay in the garden with Him,  
though the night around me be falling;  
but He bids me go; through the voice of woe,  
His voice to me is calling.**

**Chorus:**

*And He walks with me, and He talks with me,  
And He tells me I am His own,  
And the joy we share as we tarry there,  
None other, has ever known.*