

# St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

March 3, 2024

Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor

Elder John Jordan, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude "Open the Eyes of My Heart" Dr. Gilbreath

## We Gather in God's Presence

Minute for Mission John Jordan

Welcome

Call to Worship:

One: Blessed is the one who does not walk in the way of the wicked

**All: or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers,**

One: but whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on his law day and night.

**All: That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season**

One: and whose leaf does not wither. Let us worship the Lord.

\*Hymn "I Love to Tell the Story" #462

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

**Merciful God, we come before you this morning aware that we sin against you knowingly, and unknowingly, and yet you welcome our return again and again. Forgive us, we ask, for worshipping anyone and anything other than you. Forgive us, we ask, for failing to honor all our relationships with those closest to us and those who are distant neighbors. Help us, we pray, to speak words of blessing and kindness, rather than words that belittle or destroy, and turn us away from violence and falsehood, for you are the God who made us and redeemed us. In your Son's name we pray. Amen.**  
(Silent Confession)

Hymn of Response "As the Deer" #626

Assurance of Pardon:

One: Family of God, in Jesus Christ, crucified, risen, and coming again, we are

forgiven and set free to live in faithfulness with God and with one another.

Let us rejoice!

**All: Thanks be to God!**

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Gloria Patri #581

## We Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination Elder John Jordan

Scripture Reading I Corinthians 11:17-22, 27-30 Elder John Jordan

\*Hymn "Spirit, Open My Heart" #692

Scripture Reading I Corinthians 11:23-25 Rev. Rosemary McMahan

Sermon "Living the Table Talk" Rev. Rosemary McMahan

## We Respond to God's Word

Call for the Offering

Offertory "Open Our Eyes, Lord" Dr. Gilbreath

\*Doxology #606

\*Prayer of Dedication

Communion Anthem "Born to Be the Bread" Choir

Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

One: As we approach sharing communion with our Lord, let us express our gratitude to God: Gratitude, praise, hearts lifted high, voices full and joyful, these You deserve, Lord.

**All: For when we were nothing, You made us something. When we had no name and no faith and no future, You called us your children.**

One: And look, You prepare a table for us, offering not just bread and cup but Your very self, so that we may be forgiven, healed, blessed, and made new again. So now, in gratitude, we join our voices with those of the Church on earth and in Heaven:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven 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!**

Rev. McMahan continues.

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer After Communion

***Lord Jesus Christ, you have put your life into our hands; now we put our lives into yours. Take us, renew us, and remake us. What we have been is past; what we shall be, through you, awaits us. Lead us on, nourished by your gift of bread, cup, and self, to live as changed people. Amen.***

<b>We Are Sent Into the World</b>
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*Hymn	“When Peace Like a River”	#840
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*Benediction		Rev. Rosemary McMahan
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Postlude	“Victory in Jesus”	Dr. Gilbreath
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\*Please rise in body or spirit.

***Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.***

**Calendar:**

Today	9:30 AM Café Connect
Mon., March 4	9:00 AM Color Group 11:30 AM Chat “N” Chew, Lent Bible Study
Tues., March 5	10:00 AM Presbyterian Women’s Bible Study
Thurs., March 7	1:00 PM Caring Hands
Sat., March 9	Don’t forget to move your clocks forward! Daylight saving time begins Sunday, March 10.

**Easter Flowers**

It’s time to order flowers for Easter! You may donate in memory or in honor of someone. A sign-up sheet is in the church office with an envelope for your donation. The DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20<sup>th</sup> at noon.

Our yearly **Easter Meal Collection** has begun! A designated area at the Donation Location has been set up. Deadline is Sunday, March 17th. We will be accepting donations to purchase the hams in the church office. Make check payable to SAPC. The items needed are (2 cans per meal any size):

Canned Corn	Canned Fruit
Canned Green Beans	Canned Candied Yams
Boxed Potatoes	Boxed Dessert (if a cake, bring frosting)

Live Streams and recordings of each week’s worship service are available on our YouTube channel. For more information, visit us at [www.standrewdecatour.org](http://www.standrewdecatour.org).



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**Scripture Reading, John Jordan: 1 Corinthians 11:17-22, 27-30**

Now in the following instructions I do not commend you, because when you come together it is not for the better but for the worse. For, to begin with, when you come together as a church, I hear that there are divisions among you; and to some extent I believe it. Indeed, there have to be factions among you, for only so will it become clear who among you are genuine. When you come together, it is not really to eat the Lord's supper. For when the time comes to eat, each of you goes ahead with your own supper, and one goes hungry and another becomes drunk. What! Do you not have homes to eat and drink in? Or do you show contempt for the church of God and humiliate those who have nothing? What should I say to you? Should I commend you? In this matter I do not commend you!

Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord. Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For all who eat and drink without discerning the body, eat and drink judgement against themselves. For this reason many of you are weak and ill, and some have died.

**Scripture Reading, Rev Rosemary McMahan:  
1 Corinthians 11:23-25**

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for<sup>\*</sup> you. Do this in remembrance

of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'