

# St. Andrew Presbyterian Church Denton, Texas

#### Transfiguration of the Lord

February 7, 2016, 9:00 a.m.

Hearing devices and large print Bibles and hymnals are available. Ask an usher.

# GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

Prelude

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

**Jackson Fite** 

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: All you who are thirsty, this is the place for water. **People: All you who are hungry, this is the place to be fed.** 

Leader: Why spend your earnings on what is not food? Why pay for that which fails

to satisfy?

People: Here, without money, here, without price, all may enjoy the bread of

heaven.

Leader: God speaks, and all who listen will have life.

People: Let us worship God!

\*Hymn 482

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

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\*OPENING PRAYER

Lisa Patterson

Leader: Look for the Lord, while God is present; call out to God who is close at hand. Let us pray. Glorious God, your thoughts are not our thoughts, nor are your ways our ways. You look at the ugliest soul and see, still unstirred, the wings of an angel.

People: We scan the finest of our neighbours, anxious to find the flaws.

Leader: You see our lives in the context of eternity, and make a time for waiting, for yearning, for putting all things in proportion.

People: We demand instant results; and look for tomorrow before savouring today.

Leader: You know that only one who suffers can ultimately save, so you choose to walk the way of the cross.

People: We feel judged and threatened by that love which risks all for all.

Leader: Your thoughts are not our thoughts,

People: nor are your ways our ways.

Leader: Not to have our worst confirmed, but to have our best liberated, we pray for your grace and your pardon.

People: Forgive in us what has gone wrong, repair in us what is wasted, reveal in us what is good.

Leader: And nourish us with better food than we could ever purchase: your Word, your love, your interest, your daily bread for our life's journey, in the company of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

# PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Darhyl Ramsey

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ruth 1:22-2:7

Old Testament, page 230

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!** 

Anthem Offertory

John Ness Beck

Caitlin Mohr, soprano, Claire Choquette, mezzo-soprano, Barrett Radziun, tenor, Ben Howard, baritone (Text: Micah 6:6-8)

SERMON Gathering Scraps

Alan Baroody

# RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

# \*Apostles' Creed (unison)

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

# Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Leader: Let us pray. Let us pray for those who hunger in this land: whose only kitchen is a soup kitchen, whose only food is what others don't want, whose diet depends on luck, not on planning.

Lord, feed your people using our skills and conscience, and eradicate from our politics and private lives the apathy to hunger which comes from overeating. Let us pray for the hungry and the fed.

#### People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Let us pray for the hungry in other lands, where economies, burdened by debt, cannot respond to human need: or where fields are farmed for our benefit by low-waged workers courted by starvation.

Lord, feed your people, even if rulers must cancel debt, and shareholders lose profit, or diners restrict their choice in order that all may be nourished. Let us pray for the hungry and the fed.

# People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Let us pray for the hungry for justice, who document inequalities, demonstrate against tyranny, distinguish between need and greed, and are sometimes misrepresented or persecuted in the process.

May their labor not be in vain and may we be counted in their number. Let us pray for the hungry and the fed.

# People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: So, in the presence of the Bread of Life who refused food for himself in order to nourish others, we deepen our devotion by praying his words:

People: 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.

# Lord, We Thank you for This Food Jonathan Luevano and Jackson Fite, drums

#### \*Benediction

Leader: Now may God who gives seed to the sower and corn to the reaper give to us all that is needed to produce a good harvest.

People: May God make us fertile in faith, love and goodness, and take us out with joy, and lead us on in peace, as signs of the fruitfulness of heaven. Amen.

Following the benediction, please remain seated for further instruction for Worship through Work.

\*Those who are able are asked to stand. ♣ Latecomers may be seated.

The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God by David and Eileen Duffield in honor of their children and grandchildren and in loving memory of Eileen's parents, John and Ruth Madaras.

Audrey Cook is serving in worship this morning as acolyte.

# Welcome!

We are delighted that you have joined us for worship today and pray that you experience the presence of Jesus Christ in our midst. For more information about St. Andrew and our ministry together, please stop by the Visitor's Welcome Center in the narthex. If you are interested in becoming a member of this congregation, we will gladly provide you with that information.

## Tackle Hunger this Souper Bowl Sunday!

On Wednesday, February 3 and Sunday, February 7, the youth group at St. Andrew will be collecting monetary and non-perishable food donations as a part of the nationwide, Souper Bowl Sunday event. This fundraising effort is to bring awareness to the needs of the hungry changing the "biggest day of football to the biggest day of caring!" The collection taken at St. Andrew, both physical and monetary, will go directly to Our Daily Bread. Look for the youth with the orange buckets on February 3 & 7!

#### **Communion in February**

Communion will be observed at St. Andrew on Sunday, February 14 instead of on Sunday, February 7.

#### Presbyterian Women

Circle I will meet in the Church Parlor on Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 9:30am. Betty Culp and Mary Ellen Hogarth will be hostesses. We will study Lesson 5. We will collect \$1.00 for Denton Christian Preschool Paper Towels and \$1.00 for The Denton Food Pantry. All women of the Church are invited to join us. For more information, please contact Linda Heilig, Chairman.

Circle II meets at 9:30am, Tuesday, Feb. 9, in Betty Alford's home with Karyn Nelson as cohostess. Lesson 6, "Waters of Justice and Righteousness - Justice," Amos calls God's people from shallow worship and sinful living to "walk the talk" daily (Amos 5:21-24). By following Jesus' gospel, we grow in godly living and doing justice. All ladies are welcome. Please call Elizabeth Hagen (940.455.7217) for information.

# Ash Wednesday Service February 10, 7:30pm

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent, and we will hold a worship service in the sanctuary on February 10 and encourage you to participate. For those who wish to receive them, the imposition of ashes will be offered. The imposition of ashes has a long history in biblical and church traditions. In Scripture ashes or dust symbolize frailty or death (Gen. 18:27), sadness or mourning (Esther 4:3), judgment (Lam. 3:16), and repentance (Jon. 3:6). Some traditions also have considered ash a purifying or cleansing agent. All these images are caught up in the church's use of ashes as a symbol appropriate for Lent. In Christ's passion we see God's judgment on evil; in our penitence we express sorrow and repentance for our sins; in our rededication we show that we are purified and renewed. Holy Communion will not be celebrated at this service.

"Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return."

# St. Andrew welcomes the Scouts from Pack 69 and Troop 366 to worship this morning on this Scout Sunday.

# Pack 69

#### Youth

Corbin Allred Henry Biggs **Evan Cochran** Killian Delaney Jacob Douglas Alec Emery Gavin Fairchild Andrew Kimbler Tom Kleinsteuber Mason Krause Tristen Palmer Ben Pierce Joseph Pierce Parker Potter Jonas Sample Andrew Sanders William Sanders Cameron Slusarski Jonathan Strange

Matthew Sullivan Aiden Taylor Harvey Tovar

#### Adult

Cynthia Delaney Laura Douglas Mercy Eizenga Sunny Emery Frederick Kamman Tim Harris Matthew Krause Tyra Krause Kevin Palmer Adriana Sample Harvey Sanders Florence Slusarski Timothy Slusarski John Sullivan Stephanie Sullivan Jim Taylor

# Troop 366

Youth Zach Austin Tony Carrana Ethan Chen Jackson Cook Ethan Coppedge Jacob Coppedge Ben Dankesreiter – Eagle Scout Matthew Dankesreiter Blake Hassell Ben Leonard Eli Leonard Cody Marshall Keith Marshall Ionathan Oliver Max Pacheco Elijah Padia Larry Palmer Logan Petersen Tre Ramaucher Jack Rayson - Eagle Scout Joseph Rayson Cody Roche – Eagle Scout Conner Roche Max Safranek **Brendan Smith** 

**Jakob Smith** 

**Jake Wesson** 

Owen White

Jake Wyman

#### Adult

Glen Amason - Eagle Scout Jim Austin – Eagle Scout Anthony Carrana Kyle Chen Todd Cook Ken Coppedge Eric Dankesreiter – Eagle Scout Cole Greene - Eagle Scout Peter Greene Cliff Hemming Treaver Leonard - Eagle Scout George Maffey Curtis Marshall - Eagle Scout Mark Pacheco Dave Rayson Ken Reedy Iim Roche Rick Wesson

# **Boy Scouts - Troop 771**

Tristan Ball Mason Cole

# Boy Scouts – Troop 65

Ben Coleman

# Cub Scouts - Pack 424

Hunter Lewis Trey Phillips

# Parents' Night Out

# Saturday, February 13, 4pm-9pm

Parents' Night Out is a program for the young families of St. Andrew. The program has a two-fold purpose: it gives parents an opportunity to spend quality time together without their children and it gives the children an evening of fun, with age-appropriate activities, with their friends at St. Andrew.

The evening begins at 4:00pm-8:00pm, for infants-3 yr. olds, in the Nursery. In the Rec. Center, 4 yr. olds-elementary age will meet from 4:00pm-9:00pm. Children may bring dinner.

Please email Ms. Sue at: toddlerqueen2@gmail.com, or call at 940-300-9262, for reservations.

Spring Dates: 2/13, 3/12, 4/9/ 5/14

## **Small Group Bible Study**

The members at St. Andrew are committed to our common life together, which is born from our connections to Christ and His Church. Because of this, we will be offering small group Bible studies where people can come together in fellowship to learn more about the Bible, explore questions of faith, and examine our role as Christ Followers in today's society. Small groups will meet on Sunday or Thursday evenings beginning February 14 and 18. To sign up or for more information, please email Kirsten Brown at brownke@lisd.net. Please indicate your night preference.

# Help Wanted

Volunteers to spend 30 minutes a week refreshing and updating the Children's Worship bags. For more information or to volunteer - email Catherine Pennell @ cpennell4gab@outlook.com.

#### Save the Date

Please save the evening of Thursday, Feb.25 to attend the annual fundraising dinner for The Children's Place Preschool. This is our major fundraising event of the year. We will serve delicious food from Cartwright's and Olive Garden, and take out will be available. We will also have a silent auction and a raffle. The money raised at this event helps us keep tuition affordable, pay our teachers, and purchase supplies. Please support the preschool by attending.

# **Supplies for Denton Christian Preschool**

Your Diaconate committees are gearing up to begin a new year. The Community Outreach Committee strives to provide opportunities for members of St. Andrew to assist with community needs through donations and volunteer opportunities. We have several projects during the year, almost one per month! We are currently looking to determine if there are additional ways for the congregation to participate in the many needs of our community.

For the months of January and February, our project is to provide supplies for the children of Denton Christian Preschool. Current needs are: glue sticks, liquid hand soap, dry erase markers, safety pins, large crayons, construction paper, lunch bags, paper plates, toilet paper, children's toothpaste, AA batteries and 9V batteries.

Please leave your donated items in the bins next to the Coke machine downstairs. If you have any questions, please call June McNeill, 940-591-6080.

#### From the Music Director

The "Glory to God Hymnal Fund" is closing in on the halfway point to our goal. Thank you so much to all of you who have already given generously! We would very much like to complete the process of acquiring the new hymnals and have their dedication be part of our service on Trinity Sunday (May 22).

Please consider what you and your family can contribute to help make this happen! -Jeff

## February Give-a-Meal

Spaghetti and Canned Sauce, Canned Green Beans, Canned Fruit Optional: Coffee, Cereal, Dry Milk

Please return your non-perishable donations for the Denton Community Food Center to the collection bin by the Coke machine near Fellowship Hall. Thank You!

#### **Prayer Concerns This Week**

Jan Lewis
Helen Culp-Schutts
Brad Booth, brother of Barbara Lawson
Bob Lilley, father of Lisa Haddad
Matt Hogarth, son of Mary Ellen Hogarth
The family of Jean White, sister-in-law of Jim White
The family of Jack Gessler, brother-in-law of Eddie Pennell
The family of Rupert Dunklau, father of Paul Dunklau

A complete list of the ongoing prayer concerns is available in the Narthex.

Super Wednesday
Wednesday, February 10
5:30pm, Dinner; 6:15pm, Programs for All Ages
Menu: Build Your Own Chili Bar (Beef or Chicken)

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Rec Center, 6:00-7:30pm

**CREW** 

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Tales from the Trail: The National Park Service at 100 Fellowship Hall, 6:30pm Jake Blosser **TED Talks** 

Room 205, 6:30pm Elizabeth Hinkle-Turner

Active Prayer Practices: Drawing a New Path to God

Art Room, 6:30pm Stephanie Raesz

Journey through Grief

Parlor, 6:30pm

Valerie Sanchez & Faith Presbyterian Hospice

# Women's Lenten Book Study

The study will begin on Ash Wednesday using *The Book of Genesis: A Biography* by Ronald Hendel as the starting point for our lively discussions of life, faith, and the implications for how we live. Genesis is the very foundation of our faith and is an important lens for the way we view our past, present, and future reality. If you're can only attend a few sessions, don't let that keep you away, because you can enter the discussion at any point. Come and join the group! Questions? Contact Lisa Patterson at lisa@saint-andrew.com.

# Be Holy Lenten Devotionals Available in the Narthex

Lent is a holy journey with God, but what does it mean exactly to be "holy"? In Be Holy, Presbyterians Today's new Lenten devotional for 2016, pastor and author Brian Coulter has penned a series of brief daily reflections, paired with a short, ancient form of praise and petition called a breath prayer, to explore what holiness means for Christians today. He invites us to receive from God this blessed gift that makes our lives more compelling, more enjoyable, and more faithful. Please pick one up in the Narthex and also share one with a friend.







# THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

#### **TODAY** 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Assemble Meals for Kids Against Hunger, Fellowship Hall Monday, February 8 Personnel Committee, Narthex 12:00 pm. Theology on Tap, Oak Street Draft 6:30 p.m. House Topic: Where Is Our Hope? Tuesday, February 9 Circle I, Parlor 9:30 a.m. Circle II, Alford Home Women's Tuesday Afternoon Bible 1:30 p.m. Study, Room 206 5:00 p.m. Worship & Music, Room 200 5:30 p.m. Membership, Room 205 Building & Grounds, Room 208 6:00 p.m. Stewardship, Room 207 Diaconate, Room 206 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 10 12:00 p.m. Women's Lenten Book Study, Room 206/208 Super Wed. Meal, Fellowship Hall 5:30 p.m. element, Rec Center CREW, Rec Center 6:15 p.m. Covenant Choir, Children's Choir Rm. 6:15 p.m. Children's Recreation 6:20 p.m. Handbells, Adult Choir Room 6:30 p.m. Adult Tracks Noel Choir, Children's Choir Room 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service, Sanctuary 7:30 p.m. Thursday, February 11 8:00 a.m. Men's Book Study, Cartwright's Ranch House Saturday, February 13

4:00 p.m. — Parents' Night Out, Rec Center

9:00 p.m.

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St. Andrew Presbyterian Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

# No Children's Chapel

Children are invited to stay in the pews with their parents.

Join us in Fellowship Hall following the Worship Service as we pack meals for *Kids Against Hunger*.

# Current year giving through December:

Pledges year to date \$838,916.00
Pledges received year to date \$832,572.00
Shortfall -\$ 6,344.00

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