

Prelude

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church Denton, Texas

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 15, 2017, 10:30 a.m.

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

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

Rejoice, Beloved Christians!

J.S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the Ritual of Friendship pad in the pews.

RINGING OF THE BELL

Rylie Glasschroeder

CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Psalm 40

Leader: I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

People: He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

Leader: The Lord put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

People: Happy are those who make the Lord their trust,

Leader: I have not hidden your saving help within my heart, I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;

People: I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation.

OPENING PRAYER Lisa Patterson

*Hymn 409 God Is Here ABBOT'S LEIGH

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior (Time of silent confession).

CHORAL RESPONSE

Lord, Have Mercy

LAND OF REST

Hymn 551

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

CALL TO FAITHFULNESS

Leader: God has told you what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

*Sung Response **GLORIA**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia! Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Jo Cassell

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 49:1-7

Old Testament, page 638

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

Anthem

Fairest Lord Iesus (Text - Hymn 630) Forsberg

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Children ages three years through kindergarten are invited to go to the Children's Chapel at this time. Older children are invited to remain in the sanctuary with their parents.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

John 1:29-42

New Testament, page 86

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

SERMON

Standing Witnesses

Richard B. Culp

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*The Affirmation of Faith (unison)

(The Heidelberg Catechism)

Leader: Should infants be baptized?

People: Yes. Infants as well as adults are included in God's covenant and people, and they, no less than adults, are promised deliverance from sin through Christ's blood and the Holy Spirit who produces faith. Therefore, by baptism, the sign of the covenant, they too should be incorporated into the Christian church. Amen.

*Hymn 486

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

KINGDOM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (see insert)

Prayers of the People and The Lord's 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.

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

OFFERTORY Minuet (from *Berenice*) G.F. Handel

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Hymn 609

^{*}Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Benediction

*Postlude Puer nobis

Christopher Tambling

*Those who are able are asked to stand.

The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God.

Hanna Haddad is serving as acolyte this morning.

Presenting their son, Connor West Berlakovich, for the sacrament of baptism this morning are Courtney and Brian Berlakovich. Grandparents are Joyce and Robin Kain. Uncle is Trey Kain. Elder Ed Moorehead will assist the pastors.

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. day on Monday, January 16.

Presbyterian Women

Presbyterian Women will meet in the church Parlor on Tuesday, January 17 at 9:30am for fellowship and refreshments. At 10am, we will adjourn to the Sanctuary for Communion led by Rev. Richard Culp. All women of the church are invited to attend this very special meeting as we begin the new year of 2017 together. Questions: please contact Linda Heilig, Moderator, l.heilig@verizon.net.

Red Cross Blood Drive Saturday, January 21 9am-2pm, Rec Center Walk-ins welcome!

Worship through Work

The second annual Worship through Work activity sponsored by St. Andrew Mission Committee is scheduled for February 5, 2017. We will be preparing 10,000 meals to be distributed to children around the world, most likely in Central America. The day begins with a worship service at 9:30am in the Sanctuary. For questions, please contact Darhyl Ramsey at d.ramsey2@verizon.net.

Denton Christian Preschool Supply Drive

It is once again time to assist the Denton Christian Preschool with creative art and classroom supplies! It is such a blessing to help little ones become more interested in the arts, especially for this school. Their special needs this year are finger paints (all colors), construction paper, easel/finger paint paper, lunch bags, paper plates, paper towels, toilet paper, liquid hand soap, children's toothpaste, AA batteries, 9V batteries, safety pins, watercolors, and glue sticks. You may leave the supplies in the bins downstairs under the sign for Denton Christian Preschool. Thank you for your generous help!

Update from the Mission Committee

Due to our congregation's generous Christmas Eve Offering, a total of \$4,200 was collected. \$2,100 will be used to support the Pastor's Discretionary Fund, and \$2,100 will support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, specifically the disasters in Lebanon/Syria. If you would like to make additional contributions to Presbyterian Disaster Relief, please go to https://pda.pcusa.org/page/active-accounts/.

Thank you for the many ways you support the missions of our church!

Chancel Flowers

There are lots of open dates to give chancel flowers in the year ahead! Please sign up using the chart outside the church office. Questions? Please contact Lynn Carrico at 940-453-7088 or lwcarrico@verizon.net.

Call for 2017 Ushers

Volunteers are needed to serve as ushers for 2017. If you can serve, please contact Jonny Ramsey at jramsey18@verizon.net for more information and available dates.

Prayer Concerns This Week

Sue Gray Norma Wiebe Matt Hogarth

SSGT Jacob McIntyre, son of Linda and Jim McIntyre (military deployment)

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

Super Wednesday January 18, 2017

Menu: Burgundy Beef Stew, Mashed Potatoes

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The Den, 6:00-7:30pm

Parenting in Challenging Times 6:30pm, Room 206/208

Arminta Jacobson and Richard Sale

CREW

The Den, 6:00-8:30pm

The Story of God

6:30pm, Room 205 Stephanie Raesz

Everyday Life in Early America 6:30pm, Fellowship Hall Jake Blosser

Outreach Spotlight of the Month: Give a Meal a Month

It's celebration time! In 2016 we more than doubled our goal of 2,000 pounds of food donations to the Denton Community Food Center. We had 912 pounds of donated food items and monetary donations of \$624 which totaled 4,368 pounds of food. Remember, if you forget to bring your food items or just don't have time to go to the store, a monetary gift of just \$1.00 buys 7 pounds of food. Imagine, \$1 buys 7 boxes of spaghetti or 7 boxes of macaroni and cheese! The \$61 donated in December alone provided 427 pounds of food. Please write The Denton Community Food Center on the memo line of your check or just pop some extra change or a few dollars in one of the envelopes provided in the pew. When you write The Denton Community Food Center on the envelope, you'll know that your money will be multiplied by 7. A big shout out to Circle #1 for their monetary contributions to this great St. Andrew outreach!

January Give-a-Meal

Canned Soup, Tuna or Peanut Butter, Canned Carrots, Canned Fruit Optional: Coffee, Cooking Oil, Baby Food

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!

Handbell Ringers Needed

The handbell choir needs some additional ringers. Attrition over the years has left us with too few people!

The group is open to members and non-members. Anyone from senior high through adult may join without audition. Students in junior high who have considerable musical experience may be accepted after consultation with the director. Some familiarity with musical notation is strongly encouraged. This does not mean fluent music reading. If you took piano decades ago, or played in the junior high band, or anything of that sort, this is plenty. Rhythm is much more important than reading letter names.

Rehearsals take place in the adult choir room, from 6:30pm to 7:30pm on Wednesday nights (during the "class" time at Super Wednesday). Spring rehearsals begin when Super Wednesday resumes. If you are interested, either contact Jean Harden (jean.harden@unt. edu) or simply show up.

Connect with us





Welcome!

We proclaim that ALL people are created in the image of God and affirm that each person is a beloved child of God, worthy of God's love and grace. We welcome all, celebrating our differences while finding unity in Christ. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Join us in the Narthex following worship so that we can get acquainted.

The session, our governing body, will be in the parlor immediately following the 10:30am worship service to receive new members.

Children's Chapel

During the worship service, children ages three years through kindergarten go to chapel immediately following the Children's Sermon.

The story of Job Jeff & Laura Hillis

Godly Play seeks to tell the stories of the faith so that children hear and remember these stories and become engaged in them. It also provides a place and opportunities for children to begin exploring the purpose and meaning of worship. Parents may come upstairs to the Children's Chapel to pick children up following the worship service.

Sunday School

CHILDREN, 9:30-10:15am

Nursery	Koom 102
Preschool	Room 100
K-5 th Grade	Media Room
Youтн, 9:30-10:15am	

Adults, 9:30-10:15am

element High School

Breakfast Club	Jonathon Fite	Room 206/208
Pastor's Class	Fred Cassell	Room 207/209
Pathfinders	Richard Sale	Room 205

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The Den

The Cave

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Richard B. Culp, Senior Pastor Lisa Patterson, Associate Pastor Jeff Snider, Director of Music Samuel Gaskin, Organist

Brandi Schoel, Director of Youth Ministries



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The Week at a Glance		
TODAY		
9:00 a.m.	Youth Choir, Children's Choir Room	
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	
10:30 a.m.	Worship Service	
	Monday, January 16 Church Office Closed	
Tuesday, January 17		
9:30 a.m.	Presbyterian Women, Parlor	
2:30 p.m.	Memorial Service for Emma Lou Floyd,	
	Sanctuary	
11:00 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline	
Wednesday, January 18		
5:30 p.m.	Super Wed. Meal, Fellowship Hall	
6:00 p.m.	element, Rec Center	
	CREW CONNECT, Rec Center	
6:15 p.m.	Covenant Choir, Children's Choir Rm.	
	Children's Recreation	
	SMART Committee, Room 200	
6:20 p.m.	Handbells, Adult Choir Room	
6:30 p.m.	Adult Tracks	
7:00 p.m.	Noel Choir, Children's Choir Room	
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir, Chancel Choir Room Session Meeting, Room 206/208	
8:00 a.m.	<u>Thursday, January 19</u> Men's Book Study, Upper Park Cafe	
0.00 a.m.	Men's book study, Opper I ark Cale	

Saturday, January 21 9:00 a.m. — Red Cross Blood Drive, Rec Center

2:00 p.m.

10:30 a.m. Memorial Service for Steve Hindman, Sanctuary

2016 income to expense

Income (pledges + other income) \$939,894 **Expenses** \$928,128 Thank you for your generous gifts in 2016.

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In addition, Undesignated



St. Andrew Presbyterian Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

Prayer Over the Water of Baptism

We give you thanks, O holy and gracious God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the water, and you created all that is, seen and unseen. By the gift of water, you sustain all life. In the time of Moses, you parted the waters and led the Israelites out of slavery into freedom. In the water of the river Jordan our Lord was baptized by John and anointed with your Spirit. By the baptism of his death and resurrection, Christ set us free from sin and death and opened the way to eternal life.

By the power of your Spirit, bless this water that it may be a fountain of deliverance and rebirth. Wash away the sin of all who are cleansed by it. Raise them to new life and graft them to the body of Christ. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon them, that they may have the power to do your will, and continue forever in the risen life of Christ, to whom with the Father and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor, now and forever. Amen.

Baptism

Who stands with this child?

Connor West Berlakovich, child of the covenant, I baptize you in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Defend, O Lord, your servant Connor with your heavenly grace, that he may continue yours forever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until he comes into your everlasting kingdom.

Welcome

Elder Ed Moorehead: We have just received Connor into the one holy catholic and apostolic church through baptism. God has reaffirmed the covenant made to Abraham and made to us in the baptism of Connor.

People: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome Connor into Christ's church, and we reaffirm our own baptismal vows, committing ourselves to the service of God.

Ministers introduce Connor to the congregation.

Prayer

Almighty God, giver of life, you have called us by name and pledged to each of us your faithful love. We pray this day for Connor, a child of your covenant. Watch over him. Guide him as he grows in faith. Give him understanding and a quick concern for others. Help him to be a disciple of Jesus Christ, who was baptized in the river Jordan and is now our Risen Lord.

God of grace, we pray for Connor's parents, Courtney and Brian, and Connor's big brother, Byron. Help them to know you, to love with your love, to teach your truth, and to tell the stories of Jesus to Connor, so that he may know your Word and your presence.

We give you thanks for the family and friends who gather with Connor to celebrate in his baptism. May they be a source of strength and love for him in the coming years. We pray for the communities of faith where Connor will be nurtured in the coming years. As we receive him on behalf of the church universal, we pray that Connor and all who seek your son Jesus Christ discover him in this community of faith. We offer these prayers in his name and for his sake. Amen.

Sing first verse of "Jesus Loves Me".

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR CONNOR WEST BERLAKOVICH SON OF COURTNEY AND BRIAN BERLAKOVICH JANUARY 15, 2017 St. Andrew Presbyterian Church Denton, Texas

Words of Preparation

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Paul writes to the Romans: "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life."

Obeying the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and confident of his promises, we baptize those whom God has called. In baptism, God claims us and seals us to show that we belong to God, and God frees us from sin and death, uniting us with Jesus Christ in his death and resurrection. By water and the Holy Spirit, we acknowledge that we are children of God's covenant and join ourselves to Christ's ministry of love, peace and justice. Let us remember with joy our own baptism as we celebrate this sacrament.

Presentation of Connor West Berlakovich

Elder Ed Moorehead: On behalf of this congregation and its Session, I present Connor West Berlakovich to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Questions for the Parents:

Do you desire that Connor be baptized?

Relying on God's grace, do you promise to live the Christian faith and to teach that faith to Connor?

Questions for the Congregation:

In receiving this child of God, do we as members of the body of Christ promise to guide and teach Connor so that one day he may confess Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior?

Do we promise to nurture him with love and prayer and encourage him to know and follow Christ and be a faithful member of Christ's church?

*Profession of Faith

(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 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.