

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✦ Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is actively helping those who are suffering the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey (South Texas), Irma (Florida), and Maria (Puerto Rico). Please make your check to St. Andrew Presbyterian Church with the memo PDA. Thank you!

✦ Feeding Tampa Bay

We are working to secure another date for our church to group volunteer at Feeding Tampa Bay (tentatively Nov. 7th). In the aftermath of the hurricanes and as the holidays approach, please be aware that there are many opportunities daily, and volunteers are always needed. If you desire to volunteer as an Individual, please use their website <http://feedingtampabay.org/> to sign up for a slot in either the warehouse or at a mobile pantry site.

✦ Trinity Café 2

In light of the fluctuating levels of volunteerism, you are encouraged to sign up on the days when you're most needed. Periodically visit the Trinity Café website at <https://trinitycafe.org/>. Click on "Volunteer | Volunteer Calendar — Busch". There you'll see the number already signed up. If fewer than 12, please sign up. If more than 20, sign up if that's the only opportunity you have to serve. Of course, if you prefer to serve with a St Andrew group, sign up for a first Tuesday or third Thursday.

Celebration Fund Totals

2016 Contributions	\$5,476.00
2017 Contributions	\$3,248.00
Total Contributions	\$8,724.00

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St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Glorify God. Enjoy God. Live Christ's Love



18th Sunday after Pentecost
October 8, 2017



🕒 Indicates that you may stand if desired

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WE WERE CALLED TO WORSHIP GOD

Welcome and Announcements

🕒 **Gathering Song** “God of Wonders”

Call to Worship, *Psalm 19:7-10, 14* *Ruling Elder Phyllis Keith*

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;

the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;

reverence for the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is Your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to You, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please share the peace of Christ with each other.

🕒 **Sharing the Peace of Christ**

🕒 **Glory**

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR GOD’S WORD

Call to Confession *Ruling Elder Phyllis Keith*

Confession of Sin, Responsive *Ruling Elder Phyllis Keith*

Merciful God, Have mercy on our souls, according to Your faithfulness and love;

according to Your abundant mercy wipe away our sin and the guilt we have carried for so long.

Instead write Your love onto our hearts.

Your salvation sets us free from our sins.

Lord, we would see Jesus,

We would love Jesus;

We would follow Jesus;

We would serve Jesus.

In Your great love, hear our personal confessions:

~Silence for personal confession of sin~

Lord, create in us clean hearts, renew Your spirit within us. Do not turn us away from Your presence, do not take Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation, and sustain in us a willing spirit. Write Your love onto our hearts, O God. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon, Responsive *Ruling Elder Phyllis Keith*

Forgiveness is mercy; such pardon and kindness we cannot fathom. But we want to.

Forgiveness is unfailing love; such patience and understanding we cannot comprehend. But we want to.

Forgiveness is overwhelming compassion; such sympathy and warmth we cannot reciprocate. But we try.

Forgiveness is the blotting out of transgressions; such freedom and good will we do not deserve. Yet God forgives us anyway.

Forgiveness is the washing away of our iniquities; such purity and newness we cannot maintain. We will turn to Christ and follow how He leads.

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise.

This is the good news: Jesus Christ has already forgiven us, and has already reconciled all things with Himself.

All praise belongs to God. Amen.

Response “We Will Serve the Lord”

THE WORD OF GOD

Time for Young Disciples

Scripture Lesson *John 11:32-38*

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw Him, she knelt at His feet and said to Him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, He was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to Him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how He loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not He who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?” Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon “How often have I desired” *Rev. Laurie Palmer*

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Laurie Palmer

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.

Call to Offering

Ruling Elder Phyllis Keith

We Share Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Ruling Elder Phyllis Keith

WE GO TO SERVE GOD

🕒 **Sending Song** “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!”

Presbyterian Hymnal #145

🕒 **Benediction**

🕒 **Postlude**