



ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DENTON, TEXAS

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 31, 2021

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

In person worshippers: please remain seated throughout the service, wear masks, and sing or speak softly to yourself.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Psalm 111)

Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

The Lord has gained renown by the Lord's wonderful deeds;

The Lord sent redemption to Lord's people;

Holy and awesome is the Lord's name.

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN 634

To God Be the Glory

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, hear us as we seek your forgiveness: for the mending of our hearts, torn apart by our unkindness; for the healing of our souls, wasting away from the despair around us; for the easy forgiveness we seek as we avoid the hard work of repenting; we have allowed to persist; for the reconciliation of the world, whose division condemns us; We pray for the courage to admit our fault, the strength to amend our actions, and the hope that your grace awaits us. Through Christ we pray. Amen (Time of silent confession.) .

SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn 110, third stanza of *Love Has Come*

Love has come and never will leave us! Love is life everlasting and free. Love is Jesus within and among us. Love is the peace our hearts are seeking. Love! Love! Love is the gift of Christmas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

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

CALL TO FAITHFULNESS

(Titus 2:11-14)

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn 112, *On Christmas Night All Christians*

All out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night; all out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night: "Glory to God in highest heaven; peace on earth and goodwill. Amen!"

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 1: 21-28

See Insert

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

O Rest in the Lord (*Elijah*)

Mendelssohn

Hilary Taylor, mezzo soprano and Stephen Carey, piano

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

I Corinthians 8: 9-13

See Insert

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

A "C" on the Back

Richard B. Culp

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

HYMN 749

Come! Live in the Light!

WE ARE CALLED

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*The Confession of 1967*)

The new life takes shape in a community in which people know that God loves and accepts them in spite of what they are. They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no person has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace. The new life does not release a person from conflict with unbelief, pride, lust, fear. People still have to struggle with disheartening difficulties and problems. Nevertheless, as a people mature in love and faithfulness in their own life with Christ, people live in freedom and good cheer, bearing witness on good days and evil days, confident that the new life is pleasing to God and helpful to others. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

C.J. Prater

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

"Du bist die Ruh" ("You are Peace")

Schubert

Maria Baylock, cello and Stephen Carey, piano

SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn 108, *Of the Father's Love Begotten*

Christ, to thee with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost, to thee, hymn and chant and high thanksgiving and unwearied praises be. Honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory, evermore and evermore! Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN 729

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prayer Concerns

Harriet Laney
Andrea Godwin-Stremmler
The Barnhill Family
Liz Whitaker

Barbara Kindred
Steve Shirley
Pat Hiler
Helen Harrison

Scott Hendrix
Suzanne Baroody

Jude Walker, nephew of Edie Chavira
Sandy and Woody Franks, friends of Stephen Carey
Ray Hundley, brother of Barbara Sims
Chuck Dory, father of Christy Purser
Howard Shaw, friend of Susan Conn
Danelle Smith, daughter-in-law of Chuck Smith
Ruth Whiddon, mother of Justin Barnhill
Rosie McIntyre, daughter-in-law of Linda and Jim McIntyre
Corbin Fanning, grandson of Mary Jo North
Sandi Parker, friend of the Campbells
Suzanne Benson, sister in law of Lisa Patterson
Gino Curcuruto, uncle of Chris Curcuruto
Don Samuelson, husband of Gini Samuelson
Barbara Smith, sister of Linda Heilig
Shirley Graham, mother of Natalie Garcia
Valerie Nevil, sister-in-law of Sharon Lunsford
Friends of Chris Curcuruto

Drennan Fuller and Family, friend of Caitlyn Coyner
Steven Purser, brother of John Purser
John Pierce, father of Bekah Barnett
Lee Speir, brother of Ray Speir
Sally Kyser, friend of Belle and Ray Speir
Alice Condry, mother of Berniece Condry
Sharon and Johnny Miller, cousins of Barbara Sims
Kathy Torneo Whatley, cousin of Barbara Sims
Darryl Speigel, brother of Sandy Speigel
Rachel Moore, mother of Sharon Lunsford
Ouida Henderson, mother of Joyce Kain
Matthew McIntyre, son of Linda and Jim McIntyre
John Murphy, faculty member at UNT
Charlie Leavell, grandfather of Shannon Konkle
Nancy Burk, mother of Kendall Young
Ashley Burk, uncle of Kendall Young
Family of Steve Plunkett

Super Wednesday Meal

Wednesday, February 3

Meal will be prepared by Denton Independent Hamburger at the prices listed below. Registration is requested on St. Andrew Connect at the link below. Payment will be at the pickup at Denton Independent Hamburger.

Menu*

Hamburger - mayo or mustard, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion with handcut fries - \$8.75
Cheeseburger - mayo or mustard, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion with handcut fries - \$9.75
Grill Chicken Sandwich - mayo or mustard, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion with handcut fries - \$9.75
Chili Burger - cheddar cheese, onion with handcut fries - \$10.25
Hickory Burger - cheddar cheese, onion with handcut fries - \$9.75
Large garden salad with Chicken Breast or Beef Patty, choice of Ranch, Honey Mustard, Thousand Island, Italian, Bleu Cheese - \$9
*drinks not included

Deadline: Sunday, January 31

Pickup: Wednesday, February 3 at 5:00pm at Denton Independent Hamburger

Super Wednesday Classes

February 3

Children

Puppet Ministry and
Children's Time
6:00pm

Adults

The Wave
(College Group)
6:30pm

Parenting Class

Dr. Lisa Elliot, PhD
January 20-February 24
7:30pm

Youth

Youth Group
7:30pm

Series on Conducting
Andy Trachsel
January 20-February 3
6:30pm

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.

If you wish to join St. Andrew today, please contact one of the ministers.

Sabbatical from In-person Worship

The Session voted at its January meeting to extend its sabbatical from in-person worship in the face of the ongoing high numbers of coronavirus cases in Denton County. There will be no in-person worship through March 14, 2021. The service will continue to be live streamed at 10:45am on Sunday mornings from our web-site. The Session will continue to monitor the number of coronavirus cases as it evaluates a return to in-person worship.

Save the Date!

Pagosa Women's Retreat

July 24-30, 2021

More details to come. . .

Questions? Ask Lisa Patterson at lisa@standrewdenton.com

St. Andrew Virtual Valentine Party

Friday, February 12 at 6:30pm

Roses are red, they brighten a room! We hope you will join us for a party on ZOOM! You are lovingly invited to join your church family at St. Andrew's Virtual Valentine Party, February 12 at 6:30pm. We will join in fun, food, and games, including telling memorable date, engagement, and/or wedding stories and playing Valentine's Day trivia. For those interested, Ravelin Bakery is offering party-goers a special price on an assorted cookie box for \$15 payable to St. Andrew. Please make your food reservation by February 9 using St. Andrew Connect. Pick your treats up at Ravelin Bakery on Friday, February 12 by 5:00pm at 416 S. Elm St. Please contact Kirsten Brown at brownke@lisd.net for more information or if you have questions.

Give-a-Meal - \$2.29

St. Andrew donated \$735 to the Give-a-Meal program in December! Thank you for supporting the needs of those who are experiencing food insecurity during this time. A monetary donation of \$2.29 feeds a person in need for a week. Donations can be made by mail or online. Please write Give-a-Meal-a-Month on your envelope or check when giving by mail. To give online, visit standrewdenton.com/give and be sure to choose Give-a-Meal from the fund options to the right of your monetary donation.

St. Andrew Connect

How to Retrieve an Annual Giving Statement

2020 giving statements will be sent via snail mail later this month, but if you want to download your own giving statement, please access your account on St. Andrew Connect. Log-in by visiting standrewdenton.com/standrewconnect.

Click on the "Giving" link on the left side of the page. Then, click the button located between the "Scheduled" and printer buttons in the main part of the page. Choose "Last Year" from the "Gift Date Range" dropdown menu. Then, click the "Filter" button. You will be able to see your giving from the past year there. To print the giving statement, simply click the printer button and continue with the prompts.

Want to know more about St. Andrew Connect? Do you need an invite? Contact Lou Korom in the church office at lou@standrewdenton.com.

By the Numbers: As of 12/31/20

Income (pledges + other income)	\$910,090.07
Expenses	\$895,427.21
Difference	\$14,662.86

Attendance 1/24/21 416 Views

Give online at: standrewdenton.com/give



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ADORATION

634 To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!
2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

This American gospel song became popular in England in the late 19th century, then returned to this country in the mid-20th century with the Billy Graham crusades. Its continuing popularity may well be due to the freedom from subjective considerations in its praise of God.

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,

and give him the glory: great things he has done!

Love Has Come

110

Capo 3: (D) F (Bm7) Dm7 (Em7) Gm7 (A) C

1 Love has come: a light in the dark - ness!
 2 Love is born! Come, share in the won - der.
 3 Love has come and nev - er will leave us!

(D) (Bm7) (Em) (A7) (D)
 F Dm7 Gm C7 F

Love shines forth in the Beth - le - hem skies. See, all
 Love is God now a - sleep in the hay. See the
 Love is life ev - er - last - ing and free. Love is

(A) (D) (Bm) (D) (A) (G) (D)
 C F Dm F C B^b F

heav - en has come to pro - claim it; hear how their song of
 glow in the eyes of his moth - er; what is the name her
 Je - sus with - in and a - mong us. Love is the peace our

(Em7) (F#7) (G) (A) (Bm) (A7)
 Gm7 A7 B^b C Dm C7

joy a - ris - es: Love! Love! Born un - to you, a
 heart is say - ing? Love! Love! Love is the name she
 hearts are seek - ing. Love! Love! Love is the gift of


(D) (A) (G) (A) (D) (A) (A7) (Dsus) (D)
 F C B^b C F C C7 Fsus F

Sav - ior! Love! Love! Glo - ry to God on high.
 whis - pers. Love! Love! Je - sus, Em - man - u - el.
 Christ - mas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!

Here is a chance to sing a familiar French carol tune with new words, the most important clearly being "Love." The senses "seen and heard" (as in Acts 4:20 and elsewhere) organize the first two stanzas, while the third holds the summary statement: "Love is the gift of Christmas."


On Christmas Night All Christians Sing 112

Capo 3: (D) (G) (D) (A7) (D)
 F B^b F C7 F




1 On Christ - mas night all Chris - tians sing, to hear the
 2 Then why should we on earth be sad, since our Re -
 3 When sin de - parts be - fore his grace, then life and
 4 All out of dark - ness we have light, which made the

(G) (A) (D) (G)
 B^b C F B^b




news the an - gels bring; on Christ - mas night all
 deem - er made us glad; then why should we on
 health come in its place; when sin de - parts be -
 an - gels sing this night; all out of dark - ness

(D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (D)
 F C F B^b C F




Chris - tians sing, to hear the news the an - gels bring,
 earth be sad, since our Re - deem - er made us glad,
 fore his grace, then life and health comes in its place;
 we have light, which made the an - gels sing this night:

(A) (Em) (D) (A)
 C Gm F C



news of great joy, news of great mirth,
 when from our sin he set us free,
 heav - en and earth with joy may sing,
 "Glo - ry to God in high - est heaven;

(D) (G) (A) (G) (D)
 F B^b C B^b F



news of our mer - ci - ful King's birth.
 all for to gain our lib - er - ty?
 all for to see the new - born King.
 peace on earth and good - will. A - men!"

The words of this carol first appeared in 1684 in a collection by an Irish bishop, Luke Wadding. Whether they were his own work or something gleaned from popular use is not clear. The tune name recalls that the tune was collected in 1904 from Mrs. Verrall of Monk's Gate, Sussex.

749 Come! Live in the Light!

We Are Called

1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the
 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your
 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that

joy and the love of the Lord! We are called
 mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called
 great day when all will be one! God will reign,

to be light for the king - dom, to live in the
 to be hope for the hope - less so ha - tred and
 and we'll walk with each oth - er as sis - ters and

free - dom of the cit - y of God.
 vio - lence will be no more.
 broth - ers u - nit - ed in love.

Refrain

We are called to act with jus - tice; we are called to

love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -

oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

The thematic and musical center of this hymn on the vocation of all believers is found in the refrain, which is based on the well-known challenge of Micah 6:8, "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"

Of the Father's Love Begotten 108



1 Of the Fa-ther's love be - got - ten, ere the worlds be - gan
 2 By his Word was all cre - at - ed; he com-mand-ed; it
 3 O, that birth for - ev - er bless - ed when the Vir - gin, full
 4 This is he whom seers in old time chant-ed of with one
 5 O ye heights of heaven, a - dore him. An - gel hosts, his prais -
 6 Christ, to thee with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly Ghost,



to be, he is Al - pha and O - me - ga; he the
 was done: heaven and earth and depths of o - cean, u - ni -
 of grace, by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing, bore the
 ac - cord, whom the voic - es of the proph - ets prom-ised
 es sing. Powers, do - min - ions, bow be - fore him, and ex -
 to thee, hymn and chant and high thanks-giv - ing and un -



source, the end - ing he, of the things that are, that
 verse of three in one, all that sees the moon's soft
 Sav - ior of our race, and the babe, the world's Re -
 in their faith - ful word. Now he shines, the long - ex -
 tol our God and King. Let no tongue on earth be
 wea - ried prais - es be. Hon - or, glo - ry, and do -



have been, and that fu - ture years shall see,
 shin - ing, all that breathes be - neath the sun,
 deem - er, first re - vealed his sa - cred face,
 pect - ed. Let cre - a - tion praise its Lord,
 si - lent; ev - ery voice in con - cert ring,
 min - ion, and e - ter - nal vic - to - ry,



ev - er - more and ev - er - more! A - men.

Seldom has the wonder of the Incarnation been expressed so beautifully as in this text, created in the era when the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds were being codified and mindful of similar theological affirmations. It is set here to a plainchant melody from the late Middle Ages.

729 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

1 Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart, in my heart;
 2 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart, in my heart;
 3 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart, in my heart;
 4 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart,
 In my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

Through its recurring phrase, "in my heart," this poignant African American spiritual expresses the desire that our professed faith will not be superficial or hypocritical but will permeate the very center of our being, so that we may truly be the people God calls us to be.

Scripture Lessons

Mark 1: 21-28

²¹They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. ²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." ²⁸At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

I Corinthians 8:9-13

⁹But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? ¹¹So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. ¹²But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.