



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Second Sunday after Epiphany, January 14, 2018

Service colour: Green

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP 10:30 a.m.

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible by the Beadle (All who are able are invited to stand)

The Greeting:

M: The Lord be with you **C: And also with you**

Doxology (830) and Bible Sentence

Hymn: 172

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

God, ever creating, ever loving, ever leading, You are stillness when we are frantic; You are truth when we are confused and perplexed; You are freedom when we are paralyzed with fear; You are light when we stumble in the darkness; You are love when we are lonely and empty. For all that you are, all that you have been, and all that you will be, we praise you, Creator, Christ, Holy Spirit.

O God, you are acquainted with our ways! While you are very close to us, we find ourselves trying to get away from you and your way. You call but our ears are often deaf to your voice. You have made us the home for your Holy Spirit, but we tend to live too much for food, drink, and pleasure, and to forget the burdens of others. God of grace, enable us to admit our sin and our need for you so that, as you come to us in mercy, we may turn to you to receive your help and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

M. The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

C. And also with you. Hallelujah (Hymn 294) will be sung.

The Passing of the Peace – offer the words "Peace" or "The Peace of Christ".

Prayer for Understanding: Hymn 442

Hymn: 161 (vs. 1 & 3) (**all seated**) Children's Time and Prayer

Update on Refugee Family Ministry

Lessons: 1 Samuel 3: 1-20 (p.229); Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18; 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20 (p. 148); John 1: 43-51 (p.80)

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Hymn: 101 (Tune: 825) (paraphrase of Psalm 139) (unannounced)

Sermon – The Ascription of Glory

Hymn: 704 (all seated)

The Offertory; **The Creed** (hymn book – inside front cover) & Prayer Prayers of Thanksgiving and for others (beginning with):

M. Lift up your hearts.

C. We lift them to the Lord.

M. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Lord's Prayer (831) (debts, debtors)

Hymn: 671 (unannounced)

The Commissioning, Benediction, Choral Amen & Silent Prayer

Song: *Go Now In Peace* (all seated) (hymn book – inside back cover)

Postlude; The Greeting of those nearby in the pews/aisles

Greeting Elder: Mary Pyche

Usher: Gregg Lambert

Beadle: Kathy Sloan

Elevator Guide: Chris McDonald

Organist: Dr. Kenneth Cameron

Choir Director: Cheryl Weeks

Reader: Ian Murray

Accompanist: Helen Martin

Audio: Ross Barkhouse

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Today: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Youth Group

Tues: 10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry; 7:00 p.m. Finance & Stewardship Committee

Sun: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. Worship, Church School & Nursery

Our Sponsorship of a Refugee Family: The family arrived in July 2017:

Moamar Ahmed, his spouse: Sabah Durra and their 2 children: a girl - Zainab (3) and a boy - Hussam (2); if you wish to help with this project by making a gift of money, please mark your envelope/PAR envelope clearly: REFUGEE FAMILY

Presbyterians Sharing 2017 gifts: \$42,513 (Goal was \$41,000)

PWS&D General Fund 2017 gifts: \$18,412

Camp Geddie 2017 gifts: \$20,603

Operating Fund St. Andrew's: There was a surplus of over \$7000. We thank God for the support for and the interest of the congregation in various ministries.