

The Message of the Cross



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in the cross of Jesus Christ.*

January 29, 2023
ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DUNEDIN, FLORIDA
4th Sunday after Epiphany

WORSHIP NOTES PAGE

Old Testament - Micah 6:1-8 - NRSV

6 Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. 2 Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. 3 "O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! 4 For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. 5 O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord." 6 "With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? 7 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" 8 He has told you, O mortal, 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?

New Testament Reading - I Corinthians 1:18-31 - NRSV

18 For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. 19 For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." 20 Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? 21 For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. 22 For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, 23 but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, 24 but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25 For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. 26 Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. 27 But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; 28 God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, 29 so that no one might boast in the presence of God. 30 He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, 31 in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

A WORD TO OUR GUESTS

Welcome!

We're glad you are here. We know you have many choices of what to do with your time. We are happy that you chose to spend it with us this morning. We want you to know that in order to make this the best possible experience for you...

We will go out of our way to:

- Be clear about Jesus. Present as clear a picture as we can of the positive, hopeful, life-changing message of Jesus Christ.
- Make sure you feel welcome. Our commitment is to make sure you feel accepted, valued and never judged.
- Make what you wear a non-issue. You are dressed perfectly. Jesus cares about you, not your clothes. We feel the same way.
- Let you be anonymous. We won't single you out or make you feel awkward. We'll introduce ourselves, but not be pushy.
- Talk in words that make sense, and if we use special words, we'll carefully explain them.
- Not pressure you to give. No guilt. Believe it or not, we don't care whether you give money. You are our welcome guest today.
- Take care of your children. We are as nuts about the safety and care of your children as we are about Jesus.
- Love you. Even if we don't know you yet, we know God loves you and, therefore, so do we.

Be sure to stop by the Welcome Center.
We have a gift and a warm welcome for you.

*Shout for joy to God, all the earth!
Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious.
Psalm 66:1-2*

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

9:30 A.M.

Music

Drums and stringed instruments are mentioned in the Bible, and we use them freely in this service. The emphasis is on celebration and great joy.

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.

Message

God is at work in this world and speaks to us through his Word written and spoken. Through the Scriptures, the Spirit of God works to convict and convert hearts and build up the faith of believers.

Title: The Message of the Cross Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Guild
Text: I Corinthians 1:18 - NRSV
Theme: God has come to us with the act of reconciliation in the cross of Jesus Christ.

Children

Preschool and Elementary age children are invited to Kid's Worship where they will hear a lesson based on a Bible passage and have fun with group activities that help the lesson stick. Parents, please sign your children in before 9:30am each Sunday morning. Sign them out when you pick them up at the end of worship.

Ages 18 months - 5 years in Room #11
Kindergarten - 5th Grades in Room #10

*Praise the Lord. How good it is to sing praises to our God,
how pleasant and fitting to praise him!
Psalm 147:1*

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

11:00 A.M.

GATHERING

Silent Prayer in Preparation for Worship

Eternal Light, shine into our hearts; Eternal Goodness, deliver us from evil; Eternal Power, be our support; Eternal Wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance; Eternal Pity, have mercy upon us, that with all our heart and mind and strength we may seek your face and be brought by your infinite mercy to your holy presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer by Alcuin of Tours

Prelude

Mark Hunter

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God – Hanff

Chiming of the Hour

Mark Hunter

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Guild

Responsive Call to Worship

Barb Hogsett

Leader: Blessed:

People: the poor in spirit, those who mourn, the meek.

Leader: We gather to hear who Christ calls blessed;

People: those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, the merciful, the pure in heart, the peacemakers, the persecuted.

Leader: Blessed.

***Gathering Hymn**

Come, Ye People, Rise and Sing" #39

Gathering Prayer

Barb Hogsett

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Guild

Merciful God, we fail to do what is right. Instead, we pursue evil and do not speak the truth. Even when we try our best to be faithful, still we turn away from you. Forgive us, accept us, and redeem us, that we may seek to do what you call good. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Guild

Leader: Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom and righteousness, sanctification and redemption, is the one who judges us. Christ is the one who was born for us and forgives us with abundant love.

People: **We will boast of all the good God has done for us!
Thanks be to God!**

GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Barb Hogsett

Old Testament Reading - *Micah 6:1-8 - NRSV*

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Choir Anthem

Beneath the Cross of Jesus
by E.C. Clephane & F.C. Maker
Chancel Choir

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Sermon

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***Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed**

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Guild

***Congregational Affirmation Response - Gloria Patri #546**

Glory be 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. Amen.

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Guild

***Congregational Hymn**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" #198

OUR RESPONSE

Call for Offering

Barb Hogsett

Organ Offertory

Mark Hunter

Meditation on Gordon

***Congregational Offering Response - Doxology - #544**

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

***Prayer of Dedication**

Barb Hogsett

SENDING

***Sending Hymn**

The Church's One Foundation" #437

Blessing & Charge

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Guild

Postlude

Mark Hunter

Aurelia

*Please stand as you are able

Overflow Student Ministries & Mission

SUNDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	MISSION
<u>Nursery/Preschool</u> 18 months - age 5 9:30am – 10:30am Location: Room 11	<u>Nursery/Preschool</u> 18 months - age 5 6:30pm – 8:00pm Location: Room 11	<u>Dunedin Cares</u> is our monthly food drive. Throughout the month we collect items and donate them to Dunedin Cares, the community Food Pantry. Suggested items for January are <i>Canned Food Items</i> . Next Van Pick Up: 2/19/23
<u>Elementary Age Children</u> K – 5th Grade Location: Room 10 9:30am – 10:30 am	<u>The Current</u> K – 5 th Grade 6:30pm – 8:00pm Location: Room 10	
<u>Middle and High School Youth</u> 9:30am – 10:30am Worship in sanctuary	<u>Overflow Youth</u> 6 th – 12 th Grade 6:30 – 8:00 pm Location: Room 12	

Life Groups Meeting Throughout the Week

NOTICE: *All groups are always open to newcomers - no reservation necessary, just show up. Feel free to reach out to the group leaders below for more information.*

SUNDAY

9:30 am Davidson Group – As we study the Bible. All you need is a Bible, and if you forget yours, we'll loan you one. Contact Ron Roberson: operations@sapcd.org

6:30 pm Impact Group – The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Contact Barb Hogsett (bshogsett@gmail.com) or Trish Pierson (trishpierson@hotmail.com).

MONDAY

6:00 pm – Living Out Loud. Meeting in Room 12. Contact Amanda Bowman (amanda@sapcd.org).

7:00 pm - Love Does is a hybrid meeting on Zoom and at the Fiegle home. Contact Debi Fiegle (dajfig@msn.com).

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

6:00 pm – Presbyterian Beliefs. Meeting in Pastor's Office. Contact Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Guild (pastorjeff@sapcd.org).

FRIDAY

6:30 pm - Friday Night Light – 1st & 3rd Fridays on ZOOM. Studying from Right-Now Media videos. Contact Carol White (cwsunny@verizon.net).

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Those With Special Needs

Charlotte Quick	Eunice Beebe
Dan and Sue Latsha	Barry Dowdy
Dianna Carty	Deborah Bertetti
Cindy Withrow	Janet Calve
Jean Lennon	Sue Koutsourais
Patty Ingman	Trish Pierson
Elaine Campoli	Dr. Joyce Dain-Porteous
Bob & Kay Hirst	Rita Mason
Edie Wiseman	Kelley Wiseman
Jack Beebe	Jeannine Beebe
Vickie Taylor	Bill Douglas

Those Serving in the Military

Jeremy Roberson (Navy)
Sergio Adam Castillejo (Coast Guard)
Trevor Grantham (Marines)
Cody Noble (Marines)
Jacob Miller (Navy)

Those Who Grieve

The family of Debi Fiegle in the loss of her nephew
The family of Ron Roberson in the loss of his mother
The family of Jennifer Hunter in the loss of her mom

Those in the Hospital

Those Who Are in Homes, Assisted Living, Nursing Homes and Rehab Centers

Jack Beebe, *Arden Courts*, Palm Harbor
Rita Mason, *Accordia Woods Assisted Living*, Palm Harbor
Dee Nickels, *St. Marks Memory Care*, Palm Harbor
Louise Smith, *Coral Oaks Assisted Living*, Palm Harbor
Nancy Sullivan, *Grand Villa*, Clearwater

Out of the Area

Marjorie Krueger, *Clare Bridge of Jacksonville*, 1005 Old St. Augustine Rd,
Jacksonville, FL 32257
Charlotte Quick (c/o Ann Barr), 51 Oak Crest Court, Greenville, SC 29605
Pat Quinlan, *Woodbury Senior Living*, 7012 Lake Rd, Woodbury, MN 55125
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In addition, please pray for our church, the church universal, our community, our nation and our world, those in distressing circumstances, and those in authority.

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Connection Card

Let us know about you! Please complete this card and place it in the offering plate during the service or in the box as you exit the sanctuary. If you are a First Time Guest, please take it to the Welcome Center.

Date _____ Service Attended 9:30 am 11:00 am

Mr. Mrs. Ms. Dr. Other _____

Name: _____

Address: _____ Apt: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Email: _____

Best Contact Phone: (____) _____

Best Time to Call or Visit: _____

If 1st or 2nd Time Guest, how did you hear about St. Andrews?

GUESTS

- 1st Time Guest
- 2nd Time Guest
- Occasional Guest
- Regular Guest
- Seasonal Guest
- Vacationing
- Recently Moved from _____

My age group: Elementary school Middle school High school
 18-23 24-29 30s 40s 50s 60s 70s 80s 90s

Please update my personal information

Message or question for church leaders

NOTE: Remove this last page, fill it out, and drop it into the collection basket or take it to the Welcome Center. We would love to hear from you!



*Volunteer
Appreciation Dinner*

**Wed. February 15th
6:00pm**

*Food, Fun &
Decorating Contests*

**We're diving into a
New Year!
Join us for an
upcoming event:**

*Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
February 15th 6PM*

**Show & Shine Car Show
March 18th 10AM**

**Easter Egg-stravaganza
April 8th 10AM**



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