

*St. Andrew by the Sea*  
*A Community Church*

January 8, 2017  
10:00 a.m.

***Epiphany Sunday***

***Welcome!***

*We welcome you to worship at St. Andrew by the Sea. Your presence enriches our fellowship. Please sign the attendance registration form, and if a first time visitor, please fill out a visitor's card (located in the back of the pew) and place it in the offering plate. Thank you for being with us today.*

Chiming of the Hour

*peregrinatio est tacere*  
“to be on pilgrimage is to be silent”

Prelude

*Mary's Song*

C. Eaton/A. Grant

\*Opening Hymn – 166

***We Three Kings***

*After Jesus was born in Bethlehem...Magi from the east came.*

Matt. 2:1

\*Opening Prayer

\*Passing of the Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**Holy Ground**

*We are standing on holy ground,  
and I know that there are angels all around.  
Let us praise Jesus now.*

*We are standing in his presence on holy ground.*

\* Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in the one God,**

**creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations,  
the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,**

**God manifest in the flesh,  
our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength.**

**We believe in the forgiveness of sins,**

**in the life of love and prayer,  
and in grace equal to every need.**

**We believe in the Word of God**

**contained in the Old and New Testaments  
as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.**

**We believe in the church,**

**those who are united in the living Lord  
for the purpose of worship and service.**

**We believe in the reign of God**

**as the divine will realized in human society,  
and in the family of God,  
where we are all brothers and sisters.**

**We believe in the final triumph of righteousness  
and in the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri

*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. Amen.*

Welcome and Announcements

Old Testament Reading (Pew Bible, p. 553)

**Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14**

May the Lord bless the reading of this Old Testament scripture.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Pastoral Prayer

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.*

Choral Response

Offertory

***See Amid the Winter's Snow***

D. Forrest

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

\*Doxology – 625

***Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow***

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.

*On the last verse the children are invited to come to the front of the church for Children's Moments.*

\*Hymn – 137

***What Child Is This?***

*They spread the word concerning what had been told them about this Child.* Luke 2:17

Children's Moments

*After the Children's Moments, those second grade and younger may go with Ms. Sara to Children's Church.*

New Testament Reading (Pew Bible, p. 2)

**Matthew 2:1-12**

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

Sermon

***“The Looking Glass”***

Rev. Dr. Lawrence Wood

\*Hymn - 136

***The First Noel*** (verses 1-5)

*There were shepherds...in the fields...keeping watch over their flocks.* Luke 2:8

\*Benediction

***The First Noel*** (verse 6)

\*Postlude

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Lawrence Wood

**Associate Pastor:** Rev. George R. Myers

**Assistant Pastor:** Sara Hunter

**Lay Reader:** Nicole Woerner

**Acolyte:** Cade & Owen Davis

**Music Director:** Joan Hand

**Choral Director:** Dr. Roger Jones

**Soloist:** Betty McCullough

**Administrative Assistant:** Pat Strahan

*The flowers on the altar are presented to the glory of God.*

**Ushers:** Allen Woerner, Marge Bumann, Mike Cutchen, Clint Davis, Andy Haynes, Chance McLemore, German Moran, Betty Patton, Mike Vaughn and Sue Vosloh.

**Wheelchairs and devices to assist the hearing-impaired are available from the ushers.**

\*Please stand

Child care is available throughout worship service in the Fellowship Hall for newborns to 5 years of age.

We will resume our normal Sunday morning breakfast on January 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall.

### Nursery

Nursery Care for infants (newborn up to 1 year old) and toddlers (1 year up to 3 years old) is staffed from 9:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. every Sunday. Our nursery is located in the Fellowship Hall directly across from our toddlers in classroom #4.

### Children's Church

Children **3 years old - 2nd grade** who are interested in attending Children's Church will be escorted to the Youth Building after the Children's Blessing.

### Children's Bulletins

There are children's worship bulletins available in the Narthex for ages 3 - 12.

### Sunday School

Please see insert for time and details on Sunday School Classes and other weekly activities.

### Groups and Activities

<b>Tuesday:</b>	Jan. 10 <sup>th</sup>	St. Andrew Men's Breakfast	9:00 a.m.
		Prayer Group	9:00 a.m.
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Jan. 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Nurture Committee</b>	<b>1:30 p.m.</b>
		<b>Bell practice</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>
		<b>Dinner</b>	<b>5:45 p.m.</b>
		<b>Family Activities – Children – Youth- Adults</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Thursday:</b>	Jan. 12 <sup>th</sup>	St. Andrew Women's Soup Cook-Off	10:30 a.m.
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>Jan. 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Membership Meeting</b>	
		(following the Worship Service) <b>11:15 a.m.</b>	

**Prayer List:** For your convenience we have alphabetized our prayer list. Names will remain on the list for two weeks, unless renewed. Our Women's Prayer Group meets every Tuesday morning at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary to pray for those on our prayer list.

**In our Prayers:** May Alanko, Nelle Alexander, Gene Barbour, Marlene Boeker, April Boone, Kevin Boule, Myra Branyon, Buddy Brown, Valerie Caldwell, Skylar Carpenter, Fr. David Carucci, Harry & Ardys Dalton, Carla Davis, Ab DeWeese, Frances Dubose, Baxter Duddy, Al & Lois Erbes, Milton Fulman, Frank Fuschino, Boo Guidry, Jennifer Guthrie, Salud Goodin, Jorg Grabert, Virginia Null Graves, Lionel Gustafson, Steve Gyuricsko, Leon Hasting, Heinz Hempelman, Jonathan & Nashisha Henderson and family, Karen Jordahl, Stacie Kendrick, Ed Klinke, Gary Kreigh, Scott Langus, Leisha LaRiviere, Shael Lawson, James A. Leonard III, Skye Martin, Chuck Medlin, Carolyn Merchant, Lenore Murden and family, Chuck Nicoll, Kyle Null, Lela O'Berry, Brady O'Connell, Melissa Peace, Michael Pierce, Calvin Porter, Peggie Prish, Bart Pryor, Cathy Qualls, family of Roy Ernest Riecke, Jr. Bob Roberts, Deb Roberts, Judy Roy, Christy Ruffin, family of Dottie Schuchardt, Bob Schuchardt, Margaret Shalander, Luke Shepherd, Debra Smith, Patricia Smith, David Sprotte, Ellen Stapleton, Sarah Stoddard, Sharon Svejda, Susanne Tarleton, Bill Teer, Cameron Verean, Bob Vosloh, Cindy Wakefield, Lois Watts, Helen Webb, Ginger & Natasha Williams, Frank Wright, and unmentioned requests including safe travels for all who are traveling during the holidays.

Scriptures for next Sunday –Matthew 3:13-17 & John 13:1-20

### Our Annual Membership Meeting will be held on Jan. 15th immediately following the Worship Service.

Our Annual Membership Meeting is very important. We will approve our 2017 Budget, review the 2016 year, elect our officers for the new year, and set goals for the future. You will receive an agenda packet in the mail soon. Nursery care will be provided. Please mark your calendar for this very important meeting. **If you are unable to attend please call the office at 968-3900, to ensure a quorum.**

**Attention Men of St. Andrew, members, and visitors!** Join the St. Andrew Men for their monthly breakfast on **Tues., Jan. 10th** at 9 a.m. Enjoy a wonderful breakfast as well as great fellowship. No reservation required.

**Calling all St. Andrew Women!!!** We will meet on Thurs. **Jan. 12th** at 10:30 a.m. for our 4th Annual Soup Cook-off!! This is a wonderful event with great opportunities to eat together, visit together and stock our freezer with soups for the Casserole Ministry. Everyone is asked to bring their favorite soup in a crock pot. David Holloway, with the Mobile Register, will again be our special guest, speaker, and judge, to share stories of his life as food editor. If you can come, but are not able to bring soup, no problem! Join us for lunch anyway. There is always plenty!

**Children's Choir:** We hope to start children's choir back on Jan 18<sup>th</sup> giving us one extra week off. If you know of anyone else who would like to join us on Wednesday nights, please invite them. Children's choir meets in the Choir room in the church at 5 pm. and dinner is served at 5:45 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Children's activities are from 6 p.m. – 7 p.m. with Sara Hunter.

**Red Beans and Rice with Sausage:** Join the Choir on **Sunday, Jan. 22nd** following the worship service for their fundraising lunch featuring our very own, St. Andrew Men's master chef Paul Barefield and his famous Louisiana Red Beans and Rice with Sausage dinner. Our theme will be Mardi Gras complete with a parade with moon pies and beads for the children. So, dress your children up and let them join in the fun. Adult tickets are \$10 and children \$3. Children will have a choice of red beans and rice or hot dogs with chips. Tickets are available from choir members or may be purchased from the church office. For further information please contact Anne Saunders at 968-7260.

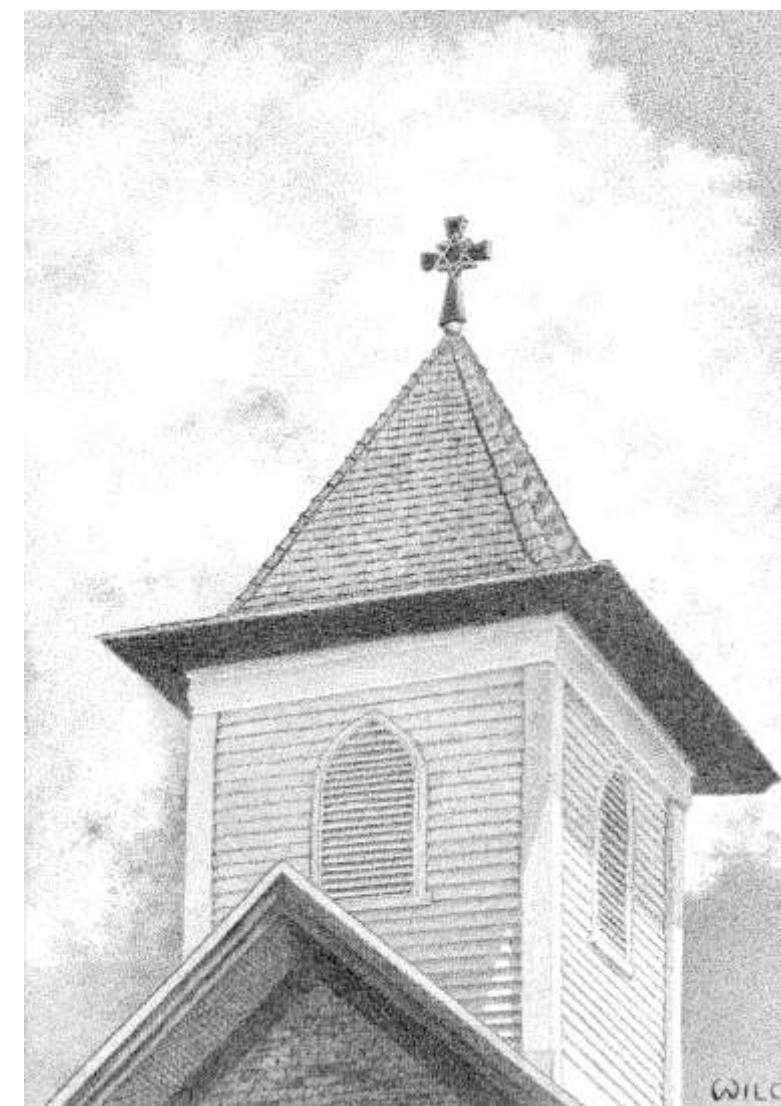
<u>Financial Summary for December</u>	<u>Pledged</u>	<u>Loose Plate Non Pledge</u>
<b>Dec. Budgeted</b>	<b>\$ 28,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 25,000.00</b>
<b>Dec. Actual</b>	<b>\$ 23,392.00</b>	<b>\$ 13,606.00</b>
<b>Year to Date Budgeted</b>	<b>\$ 303,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 215,000.00</b>
<b>Year to Date Actual</b>	<b>\$ 328,878.00</b>	<b>\$ 166,347.00</b>

**Weekend Emergency Number: 968-3900.** You will be forwarded to the pastor on call. Office hours: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Mon. – Fri. - Office Phone Number - 251-968-3900

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