

The mission of St. Andrews is to proclaim and live the good news of Jesus Christ, for the rescue and transformation of God's People, so that the city of Columbus might glorify and enjoy God, in all of life.

Worshiping God Together

December 28, 2025

—— Gathering in God's Presence ——

Prelude

(Please take a moment and quietly prepare your heart for worship.)

To all who are weary and need rest, to all who mourn and long for comfort, to all who fail and desire strength, to all who sin and need a Savior: this church opens wide her doors with a welcome from Jesus, the friend of sinners.

Call to Worship: Taken from I Chronicles 16

Sing to the Lord, all the earth!
Tell of his salvation from day to day.

**Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples.**

For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,
and he is to be feared above all gods.

**Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and joy are in his place.**

Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name!

—— Offering God Our Praises ——

Songs of Ascent

On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.
All o'er those wide extended plains, shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns, and scatters night away.

Chorus:

Men: *I am bound*

Women: *I am bound,*

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Women: *I am bound,*

Together: *I am bound for Promised Land!*

(Repeat)

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more.

(Chorus)

When shall I reach that happy place, and be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father's face, and in His bosom rest?

(Chorus)

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, O weary one lay down, Your head upon My breast."
I came to Jesus as I was, weary, worn and sad;
I found in Him my resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold I freely give
The living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink, and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank from that life-giving stream
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;
Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy days be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk 'til pilgrim days are done.

For All the Saints

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed. Alleluia, Allelu.

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light. Alleluia, Allelu.

O may Thy soldiers faithful, true and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia, Allelu.

The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blessed. Alleluia, Allelu.

But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on his way, Alleluia, Allelu.

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Greeting

Grace to you and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of Invocation

God of goodness and grace, we long for your presence, for the peace your promises bring, and for the assurances we have received through the Gospel of Jesus Christ. May we, your people, this day and every day, have open eyes to see, open ears to hear, and open hearts to receive your presence among us. Open us to your Holy Spirit, Lord, and help us to worship you today, in spirit and in truth. Amen.

Song of Praise

Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heaven He stands,
No tongue can bid me thence depart, No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free;
For God the just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, My perfect, spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace!
One with Himself I cannot die, My soul is purchased by His blood!
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ my Savior and my God, With Christ my Savior and my God!

*Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free;
For God the just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.*

Confession of Faith - taken from The New City Catechism

Ephesians 3:14–21 For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Question 40: What should we pray?

The whole Word of God directs and inspires us in what we should pray, including the prayer Jesus himself taught us.

Corporate Prayers of Confession:

Our Great God of highest heaven, come and occupy the hearts of your children, gathered before you today. Own us fully and completely, reign supreme in our hearts, and conquer every impulse of sin and rebellion in us.

Father, hear us now as we offer to you our silent, individual prayers of confession.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace: Psalm 103:10-13

He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,

Song of Assurance

O the Deep, Deep Love

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free,
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me is the current of Your love,
Leading onward, leading homeward to Your glorious rest above.

Chorus:

*Oh the deep, deep love, all I need and trust
Is the deep, deep love of Jesus.*

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread His praise from shore to shore,
How He came to pay our ransom through the saving cross He bore;
How He watches o'er His loved ones, those He died to make His own;
How for them He's interceding, pleading now before the throne.

(Chorus)

Offering and Special Music

(At this time, the school aged K4 and Kindergarten children are invited to meet their leaders at the back of the sanctuary for Children's Church. If it is your child's first time, please accompany him/her to class)

—— Hearing and Responding to God's Word ——

Scripture Reading: Psalm 19:72, 97, 103, 144, 11, 105, 143

Sermon — Wayne Logan, Director of Christian Education

Notes:

—— Being Sent Out into God's World ——

Song of Dismissal

O The Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus!

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, far surpassing all the rest.
It's an ocean full of blessing in the midst of every test.
Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, mighty Savior, precious Friend
You will bring us home to glory where Your love will never end.

Chorus:

*Oh the deep, deep love, all I need and trust
Is the deep, deep love of Jesus.*

Benediction: Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Amen. Thanks be to God!

Go in His Peace!

— Announcements —

Bible and Life

Bible and Life is over for the Fall Semester and will resume **January 11, 2026**.

Women's Ministry

Early Morning Bible Study

Join us for an early morning Bible Study on Thursdays!

Women's Prayer Ministry

The Women's Prayer Ministry is on a break and will resume meeting Mondays at 9:30am starting **January 12, 2026**.

Women's Early Spring Bible Study

Women's Tuesday morning Bible Study will resume on **January 13, 2026**.

Women's Retreat 2026

Ladies, please mark your calendar for **March 20-22, 2026** for our retreat! This year we will be staying in the Chalets in Pine Mountain. Registration is open!

Women's New Year Kick-off Luncheon

Ladies, come have lunch after the service on **January 11, 2026**! Enjoy time with other ladies, and learn about ministry opportunities for the New Year!

Children's Ministry

Rooted

Rooted is over for the Fall Semester and will resume **January 11, 2026**!

Men's Ministry

Men's Bible Study

Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study is on a break until **January 2026**.

Bible Reading Plan for 2026

For 2026 and 2027, we will be reading through the Bible as a Church Family! Please look on the app for "Bible Reading Plan 2026" to see the plan. The link takes you to a clickable PDF, so clicking on the link for each date will automatically take you to the day's reading. The plan will also be sent out via email closer to January.

— Announcements —

Holiday Office Hours

The office will be closed **Jan 1**. In order to allow our staff time with their families there will be limited availability on **Jan 2**. If you need assistance from the office staff on those days please email office@standrewscolumbus.org.

End of Year Giving

St. Andrews is grateful for the continued support we receive through gifts of time, talent, tithes and offerings. As many people make their end-of-year financial giving plans, we would like to remind you of the options available to you:

- Cash donations can be given in the offering plate. If you need a receipt, please bring your cash donation directly to the church office.
- Check donations can be given in the offering plate, dropped by the office, or mailed.
- We accept Stock Donations. For details, please contact the office.
- We accept member-scheduled bank payments.
- We accept digital payments made through our website and App.

All donations must be processed or postmarked by **Dec 31** in order to count towards 2025 Giving. *In-Person gifts must be delivered to the church office by Noon on Dec 31.* Thank you again for your support!

Looking for opportunities to use your gifts at St. Andrews?
Click the QR code for details

Want to Serve?



Youth Ministry

Youth Group meets weekly at the Moseley House Sundays from 5:30-7:30pm and is open to all students 6th grade to 12th grade. *Please contact Vijay Rawal at vijay@standrewscolumbus.org if you have any questions.*

Dec 28—No Youth Group - going out after attending Fall Festival

Jan 4—Youth Group @ Moseley House

Small Groups

Interested in joining a small group? Do you have questions about small groups? Contact Wayne Logan at (606) 521-9470 or wayne@standrewscolumbus.org.

Children's Church Volunteers

Dec 28—Cam Addison, Amy Rhodes, Klein Adams, Clara Adams

Jan 4—Maxey

Jan 11—

Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

Expectant Mothers—Sydney Alexander, Kathleen Whitley, Kayla Barkhouse

St. Andrews Missionaries— Sound Choices Pregnancy Clinic

St. Andrews Ministries— Deacons

Please pray for service members and families from our church family who are deployed or moving to new duty stations in the coming days and weeks.

Please pray for those in our church family who are currently facing illnesses or other hardships:

Susan Clickner — Addie Jackson

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request or would appreciate a meal, and are not in a small group, please email sapc.womensministry@gmail.com

To Visitors and Parents with babies and young children:

At St. Andrews, we are a covenant family & covenant community. We welcome children as worshippers in the Lord's sanctuary alongside their parents. We know children wiggle and make noise sometimes. To maintain a worshipful atmosphere without distracting others, we have the following options available by age:

- Nursery is available for children ages 0-K3. There is a sign-in computer in the hallway. Juli Pope is our Nursery Coordinator if you need any assistance – 706-442-5854
- A nursing mother's room is available around the corner from the Narthex for nursing and fussy babies. In addition, a TV is available in the Narthex with a live stream of the worship service, in case you need to step out with your child, for a few minutes.
- Children ages K4-K5 are dismissed for Children's Church after the Offertory. Marie Baum is our Director of Children's Ministry if you have any questions – children@standrewscolumbus.org
- A children's bulletin and crayons are available for all children in the Narthex.
- We encourage children to stand when appropriate and participate in worship as much as possible!

To the members of our congregation:

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and a reminder that our congregation is growing. Please welcome our children and encourage their parents!

Missionaries and Ministries Supported by St. Andrews

Clement Arts (Carmen Overton)

Eden's Hope Haley Reed (Kenya)

International Friendship Ministries (Ron Collins)

Marannook (Taylor Teel)

MercyMed of Columbus (Billy Holbrook)

Mission to North America (MNA) Chaplain Ministries (Michael Stewart)

Mission to the World (MTW)

Pete Mitchell (France)

David & Erin Pervis (Greece)

Frank Harrell (Japan)

Doni & Albina Mehmeti (Kosovo)

18.26 Network Anna McLendon (Japan)

Pioneers

Nazmi & Albana Berisha, Caleb & Leah Carr, Tom & Iris Lowder

Reformed Evangelical Fellowship — Gary & Tammy Elliott (Bulgaria)

Reformed University Fellowship (RUF)

University of Georgia (Ben Coppedge)

Auburn University (Tanner Crum)

Auburn University RUF International (Mike Alsup)

Mercer University (Marlin Harris & Andrew Burckhalter)

Columbus State University (Tim Grider, Kenyatta Ward)

Kent State University (Cordelia Wilson)

Georgia Southern University (Nathanael Miller)

Seneca Pregnancy Clinic (Amber Snipes)

Sound Choices Pregnancy Clinic (Melissa Howard)

Teen Challenge Columbus Women's Home (Samantha White)

Teen Challenge Global (Claude Mooneyhan)

Trail Life (Fred Parks)

Truth Spring Academy (Rob & Carrie Strickland)

Valley Rescue Mission (Mike Gaymon)

Young Life Greater Columbus, GA (Lauren Johnson)

Announcements

If you would like an announcement in the bulletin of a personal nature: Expectant mother, birth of a baby, the passing of a St. Andrews family member, illness or hardship, please notify the office at office@standrewscolumbus.com. We would like to recognize all of these important events, however want to respect the privacy of our congregants as well. When you email the office you will be giving permission to put this information in the bulletin.

St. Andrews Staff and Leadership

Senior Pastor—Wes Simmons

Assistant Pastor —Jeff Barkhouse

Director of Children's Ministry—Marie Baum

Youth Director—Vijay Rawal

Director of Christian Education—Wayne Logan

Music & Worship Coordinator—Bob Ross

Nursery Coordinator—Juli Pope

Church Administrator—Amelia Estes

Office Administrator—Jennifer Schoonover

Office Hours—Monday– Thursday 9:00am—3:00pm

And by appointment

The office can be reached at office@standrewscolumbus.org

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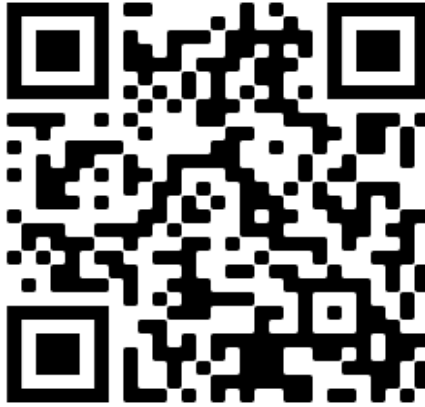
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WELCOME VISITORS

Please scan the QR code below to fill out our connect card!

Or, you can fill out the paper form below and add it to the offering plate.



We are glad that you are here with us today!

We would like to send you a welcome email or letter. Don't worry, we will not add you to our email list without your permission.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Date that you visited: _____

Feel free to list anyone that came with you, ages or grades included.

We would enjoy the opportunity to pray with you and for you.

If you would like, please share any requests or needs you may have.

Thanks for visiting with us today.

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