

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

April 27 , 2025

—— Gathering in God's Presence ——

Prelude

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

Ministry Minute—Senior Sunday, Vijay Rawal

Call to Worship: Taken from Psalm 62

Truly my soul finds rest in God;
my salvation comes from him.

Truly he is my *rock* and my *salvation*;
he is my *fortress*, I will never be shaken.

Trust in him at all times, you people;
pour out your hearts to him,

for God is our *refuge*.

—— Offering God Our Praises ——

Songs of Ascent

Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight;
Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight;
Thou my soul's Shelter, Thou my high Tower:
Raise Thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High king of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of All.

Help My Unbelief

I know the Lord is nigh, and would but cannot pray,
For Satan meets me when I try, and frights my soul away,
And frights my soul away.

I would but can't repent, though I endeavor oft;
This stony heart can ne'er relent 'till Jesus makes it soft,
'till Jesus makes it soft.

Chorus:

*Help my unbelief, Help my unbelief.
Help my unbelief, My help must come from Thee.*

I would but cannot love, though wooed by love divine;
No arguments have power to move a soul as base as mine.
A soul so base as mine.

I would but cannot rest, in God's most holy will;
I know what He appoints is best, and murmur at it still,
I murmur at it still.
(Chorus)

We Will Feast In the House Of Zion

(Chorus)

*We will feast in the house of Zion. We will sing with our hearts restored.
"He has done great things," we will say together, We will feast and weep no more.*

We will not be burned by the fire, He is the LORD our God.
We are not consumed, by the flood—Upheld, protected, gathered up.
(Chorus)

In the dark of night, before the dawn, My soul, be not afraid
For the promised morning, oh how long? Oh God of Jacob, be my strength.
(Chorus)

Every vow we've broken and betrayed—You are the Faithful One.
And from the garden to the grave Bind us together, bring shalom.
(Chorus)

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

Lord of heaven and earth, You have called us to this place to worship You today. You have rescued us from our sins and called us to be Your children so that we might glorify You and enjoy You forever. Help us today, we pray, to sing Your praises and hear Your Word, so that we may continue to be transformed, to be more like our faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. We make all our prayers in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Song of Praise

He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold Through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

Chorus:

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in his holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.
(Chorus)

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
'Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!
(Chorus)

Confession of Faith- taken from The New City Catechism

If you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well.
James 2:8

Q12: What does God require in the ninth and tenth commandments?

Ninth, that we do not lie or deceive, but speak the truth in love.

Tenth, that we are content, not envying anyone or resenting what God has given them or us.

Corporate Prayers of Confession: Taken from Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

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

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace: Taken from Romans 8:32-34

If God is for us who can be against us?

He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died - more than that who was raised - who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

Song of Assurance

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin, He sets the pris'ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.

He speaks and, list'ning to His voice, new life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

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: Luke 24:13-35 (pages 831 –832 in the pew Bible)

Sermon — Wes Simmons, Senior Pastor

Notes:

—— Being Sent Out into God's World ——

Song of Dismissal

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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 classes begin at 9:30 and nursery is provided.

Summer Bible and Life

We will be having a 5 week Bible and Life session titled *“What kind of friend are you?”* beginning **June 1**.

Congregational Meeting

We will be having a congregational meeting immediately following worship on **May 18**. This meeting is to elect church officers and a brief financial update. Nominee photos and biographies will be on the app soon, and will also be available in the Narthex. The nominees are as follows: For **Deacon**: Matt Edmonson, Brett Horne, Leroy Ward.

For **Elder**: Mathes Ballard, Bill Brouwer, Daniel Hord, Warner Kennon, Bobby McGowan

Women’s Ministry

Early Morning Bible Study

Join us for an early morning Bible Study on Thursdays! We are doing a study on Judges beginning at 6:00am.—See the app for location.

Women’s Bible Study

Join us for a mini spring study on the New Testament Canon Tuesdays from 9:30-11am. Nursery is provided.

Women’s Prayer Ministry

Join us **Mondays** in room 108 from 9:30-10:30am. This group meets weekly to pray.

— Announcements —

Men's Ministry

Men's Bible Study

Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets from 8:00-9:00 am.

Children's Ministry

Rooted

Rooted meets next **tonight** from 5:30-7:15.

VBS

Save the Date! VBS 2025 is **June 9-13!** Details to come!.

Youth Ministry

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

April 27—Youth Group (Iron Chef) @ Moseley House—**5:00pm**

May 4—Youth Group @ Moseley House

Children's Church Volunteers

April 27—Kaity Stewart, Alicia Mason, Bo Blake, Josie Blake, Tony Blake

May 4 —Ashley Etchechury, Heather O'Shields, Annely Blake Maxey,
Henry Maxey

May 11—Amy Rhodes, Kayla Barkhouse, Klein Adams, Clara Adams

Small Groups

Interested in joining a small group? Do you have questions about small groups? Contact Josh Schuster at (706) 662-0192 or josh.schuster21@gmail.com.

Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

Expectant Mothers— Emily Peake, Jennifer Corcoran
Caroline Kennon

St. Andrews Missionaries— Women's Ministry

St. Andrews Ministries— Truth Spring Academy

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
Noah Fahling*

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)

International Friendship Ministries (Ron Collins)

Marannook (Taylor Teel)

MercyMed of Columbus (Billy Holbrook)

Mission Enablers International David Taylor (Turkey)

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

Mission to the World (MTW)

Pete & Ruth (dec.) Mitchell (France)

Chris & Donnette Brock (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)

Kent State University (Cordelia Phillips)

Appalachian State University (Sophia Barkhouse)

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

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

Elders of St. Andrews

Clark Cobb
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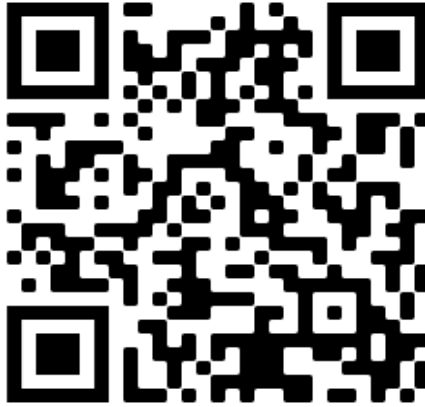
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WELCOME VISITORS

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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