

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

Jan 18, 2026

Communion Sunday

— 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 Hebrews 4:14-16

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weakness, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

—— Offering God Our Praises ——
Songs of Ascent

His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore;
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

Chorus:

*Praise the Lord! His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new every morn;
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more
(*Chorus*)

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more
(*Chorus*)

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone.
What is our only confidence? That our souls to him belong.
Who holds our days within his hand? What comes apart from his command?
And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.

Chorus:

*O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal; O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.*

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good. God is good.
Where is his grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh Unto the shore, the rock of Christ.
(*Chorus*)

Unto the grave what shall we sing? "Christ he lives, Christ he lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord, Then sin and death will be destroyed.
And we will feast in endless joy When Christ is ours forever more.
(*Chorus*)

Greeting

Grace to you and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of Invocation

Holy, Holy, Holy, are You, Lord God. You are the eternal One who dwells in unapproachable light. Yet out of your great love and grace, Father, you sent your Son, the Lord Jesus, to come to us, to live among us, and to die for our sins. So now we confidently come and approach your throne to offer our worship, thanks, and praise to You. By the power of Your Holy Spirit, enable us, oh Lord, to approach You with joy, as we offer our lives and our praises to You, for Your glory and honor. In the name of the risen Christ, we pray, Amen.

Old Testament and New Testament Readings

Genesis 17:1-14

Matthew 5:1-12

Song of Praise

Let Us Love And Sing And Wonder

Let us love and sing and wonder, Let us praise the Savior's name!
He has hushed the law's loud thunder, He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame:
He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood, He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us, pitied us when enemies,
Called us by His grace, and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes:
He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood,
He has washed us with His blood, He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing though fierce temptation threatens hard to bear us down!
For the Lord, our strong salvation, holds in view the conqueror's crown:
He, Who washed us with His blood, He, Who washed us with His blood,
He, Who washed us with His blood, Soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder; grace and justice join and point to mercy's store;
When through grace in Christ our trust is Justice smiles and asks no more:
He, Who washed us with His blood, He, Who washed us with His blood,
He, Who washed us with His blood, Has secured our way to God.

Let us praise and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high;
Here they trusted Him before us, now their praises fill the sky:
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood, Thou hast washed us with Thy blood,
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood, Thou art worthy Lamb of God!

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 I Peter 3 and Romans 8

Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God.

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Prayer for Illumination (for the preaching and hearing of God's Word), 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: Matthew 5:31-37

Sermon — Wes Simmons, Senior Pastor

Notes:

—— Communing at the Lord's Table ——

Confessing what we believe, using The Apostle's Creed:

I believe in God the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.¹
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,²
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

¹*Died a true death.*

²*The Church Universal.*

Song of Preparation

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Beneath the cross of Jesus, I fain would take my stand,
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way
From the burning of the noon tide heat and the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus, mine eye at times can see
The very dying form of One who suffered there for me.
And from my smitten heart with tears, two wonders I confess:
The wonders of His glorious love and my unworthiness.

The Great Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts! **We lift them up to the Lord!**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God! **It is good and right to do so!**

It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise & magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and *singing*:

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Invitation to the Table

1 Corinthians 5:7-8: “For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival.”

The Table of the Lord Jesus Christ is offered freely to all who have placed their faith in Jesus alone for salvation, as He is offered to us in the gospel. It is for those who are members of a church body, have been baptized, and those who are walking with Jesus in repentance and faith. To all of those who are Christians, but who might be struggling in your faith, you are invited and welcomed to come, that you might be further spiritually strengthened.

Scripture warns against taking the Lord’s Supper if you are not trusting in Jesus alone for salvation, or if you are harboring unrepentant sin or unforgiveness in your heart. To do so would be both dangerous and inauthentic. Instead, we would invite you to refrain from taking this meal, and instead consider Christ – and all His benefits to you, as He is offered to you, by faith - and we would encourage you to move towards repentance and faith in Jesus.

Words of Institution

1 Corinthians 11:23-26:

“The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We break bread in the name of Father, Son and Holy Spirit! And we declare the great mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

Receiving Communion Together

(After coming forward and receiving your elements please hold them, so we can all take them together.)

Closing Prayer

—— Being Sent Out into God's World ——

Song of Celebration

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place:
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of His face,
Content to let the world go by, to know no gain or loss,
My sinful self, my only shame, my glory, all the cross.

Benediction: Adapted from Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you;
the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you his
peace. Both now, this week, and forevermore.

Amen. Thanks be to God!

Go in His Peace!

— Announcements —

Bible and Life

Bible and Life meets before worship at 9:30am. This semester's theme is Relational Evangelism. *The Youth will be joining us in this semester's Bible & Life.*

Women's Ministry

Early Morning Bible Study

Join us for an early morning Bible Study on Thursdays 6-7:00am! See more info on the app.

Women's Prayer Ministry

The Women's Prayer Ministry meets Mondays at 9:30am.

Women's Early Spring Bible Study

Join us for an early morning Bible Study on Tuesday mornings.

Women's Retreat 2026

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

Children's Ministry

Rooted

Rooted, our children's discipleship, meets next on **Jan 25**.

Men's Ministry

Men's Bible Study

Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets Tuesdays at 8:00am.

St. Andrews 101

Our next membership class will be **Feb 19** from 6:00-8:30 pm. See the App for more info and to register.

— Announcements —

2026 Missions Conference

Our 2026 Missions Conference will be **Feb 6-8**. We are excited to have one of our own Mission Partners, Pete Mitchell (MTW-France) as our leader! Please see the App for schedule, registration, and volunteer information.

Bible Reading Plan for 2026

For 2026 and 2027, we will be reading through the Bible as a Church Family! Look on the app for "Bible Reading Plan 2026" to see the plan.

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.

**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.*

Jan 18—Youth Group @ Moseley House

Jan 25—Youth Group Parent Meeting 11:45-12:45

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Children's Church Volunteers

Jan 18—Amy Rhodes, Kayla Barkhouse, Josie Blake, Tony Blake

Jan 25—Cam Addison, Anna Grider, Bradley Brooks, Lucy Brooks

Feb 1—Heather O'Shields, Matt Maxey, Leah Rodeheaver, Abigail Rodeheaver, Rebekah Rodeheaver

Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

Expectant Mothers—Sydney Alexander, Kathleen Whitley, Kayla Barkhouse

St. Andrews Missionaries— Trail Life

St. Andrews Ministries— Missions Ministry Team

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—Libby Dahlin

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.

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

St. Andrews Missionaries and Ministries



Nursery and Young Children Information

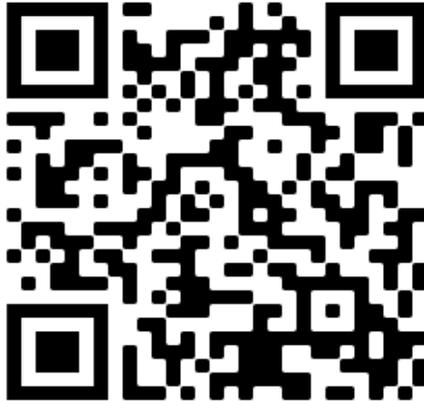


Staff and Leadership



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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