



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 17, 2022

Easter Sunday

—— Gathering in God's Presence ——

Readings of Preparation

Good Friday tells the truth about the ugliness of this world. Easter tells the truth about the beauty of the world to come. - Russ Whitfield

What looked like tragedy at Calvary was triumph in disguise. – Harold Senkbeil

Prelude

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

Call to Worship: Taken from Psalm 150

Praise the Lord!

Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty heavens!

Praise him for his mighty deeds;
praise him according to his excellent greatness!

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord!

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!
Alleluia!

Songs of Ascent

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Come behold the wondrous mystery, in the dawning of the King—
He the theme of heaven's praises robed in frail humanity.
In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come;
Look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, He the perfect Son of Man—
In His living, in His suffering, never trace nor stain of sin.
See the true and better Adam come to save the hell-bound man:
Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law; in Him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree.
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory.
See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold,
Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured, love untold.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, slain by death the God of life.
But no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord; He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance, how unwavering our hope—
Christ in power resurrected as we will be when he comes!

*What a foretaste of deliverance, how unwavering our hope—
Christ in power resurrected as we will be when he comes!*

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red life that shall endless be.

Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands? Who has numbered ev'ry grain of sand?

Kings and nations tremble at His voice. All creation rises to rejoice.

Chorus:

Behold our God, seated on His throne. Come, let us adore Him.

Behold our King, nothing can compare. Come, let us adore Him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord? Who can question any of His Words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things? Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

(Chorus)

Who has felt the nails upon His hands, bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave. Jesus, Savior risen now to reign!

(Chorus)

Men: You will reign forever!

Women: Let Your glory fill the earth!

(Repeat 3 times)

(Chorus)

Greeting

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

(Before you're seated, please take a minute and greet one another.
Find a few people you haven't met and introduce yourself.)

— Offering God Our Praises —

Prayer of Invocation

Our Great and Glorious God, you who live and reign forever, set your favor on us today as we worship you. We have come to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, who has taken away our sin and given us life in His name. Comfort us in our sorrows, answer our fears and doubts, help us in our unbelief and restore to us the full joy of our salvation. Just as Jesus Christ our Savior is risen, we ask that you give life to all who call on his name, by faith. Confirm in us your grace and shape our lives into faithful obedience, so that we would declare the praise of him who called us out of darkness into his glorious light. It is in the name of Jesus that we pray, Amen.

Song of Praise

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!
Sing ye heav'ns, and earth reply. Alleluia!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell: Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids his rise; Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia!
Where, O death is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died, our souls to save; Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Foll'wing our exalted Head; Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise; Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Confession of Faith: New City Catechism

Q. 15: What is sin?

Sin is rejecting or ignoring God in the world he created, rebelling against him by living without reference to him, not being or doing what he requires in his law—resulting in our death and the disintegration of all creation.

Corporate Prayers of Confession

Holy God, Heavenly Father, apart from you we are totally lost, full of sin, and without hope. Help us to see the gravity of our sin, so that we might be overwhelmed by the depths of your love. Give us the courage and strength to fully face both our sinfulness and our great need for your mercy and grace. Help us to see both the high cost of our sin in the unfathomable depths of your love toward us in Jesus. In the name of your Son, our Savior, Jesus we pray, Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace: Taken from 1 Corinthians 15

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

“O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?”

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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.)

— Hearing and Responding to God's Word —

Scripture Reading: Psalm 22 (page 427-428 in the pew Bible)

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning? ²O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer, and by night, but I find no rest. ³Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel. ⁴In you our fathers trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them. ⁵To you they cried and were rescued; in you they trusted and were not put to shame. ⁶But I am a worm and not a man, scorned by mankind and despised by the people. ⁷All who see me mock me; they make mouths at me; they wag their heads; ⁸“He trusts in the Lord; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, for he delights in him!” ⁹Yet you are he who took me from the womb; you made me trust you at my mother's breasts. ¹⁰On you was I cast from my birth, and from my mother's womb you have been my God. ¹¹Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help. ¹²Many bulls encompass me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me; ¹³they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion. ¹⁴I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast; ¹⁵my strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death. ¹⁶For dogs encompass me; a company of evildoers encircles me; they have pierced my hands and feet—¹⁷I can count all my bones—they stare and gloat over me; ¹⁸they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots. ¹⁹But you, O Lord, do not be far off! O you my help, come quickly to my aid! ²⁰Deliver my soul from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dog! ²¹Save me from the mouth of the lion! You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!

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²² I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you: ²³ You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him, and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel! ²⁴ For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted, and he has not hidden his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him. ²⁵ From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will perform before those who fear him. ²⁶ The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord! May your hearts live forever! ²⁷ All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you. ²⁸ For kingship belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations. ²⁹ All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who could not keep himself alive. ³⁰ Posterity shall serve him; it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation; ³¹ they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn, that he has done it.

Sermon—Wes Simmons, Senior Pastor

—— Communing at the Lord's Table ——

Confessing what we believe about coming to the Table of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Pastor: What right do we have to dine at the table of Jesus?

Congregation: **We have every right to dine at his Table.**

Pastor: What gives us this right?

Congregation: **We have this right because Jesus came not for the strong, but for the weak; not for the righteous, but for sinners; not for the self-sufficient, but for those who know they need rescue.**

Pastor: To all who are weary and need rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who feel worthless and wonder if God even cares; to all who are weak and frail and desire strength; to all who sin and need a Savior – Jesus welcomes into his circle, adopts into his family, and reserves a place at his Table.

Congregation: **For he is the mighty friend of sinners and the justifier of those who have no excuses left.**

Pastor: What does this Table, and the gospel of Jesus, require of us?

Congregation: **Nothing is required but repentance and faith, in Jesus.**

Pastor: Christ is bread to the hungry, water to the thirsty, a garment to the naked, healing to the wounded, and whatever a soul can desire, is found in him.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

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

Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Man of Sorrows! What a name for the Son of God, who came,
Ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned He stood,
Sealed my pardon with His blood: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless, we; spotless Lamb of God was He;
Full atonement! can it be? Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die, "It is finished!" was His cry:
Now in heav'n exalted high: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King, all His ransomed home to bring,
Then anew this song we'll sing: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

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.

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 the Elements and Taking the Sacrament Together

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

—— Being Sent Out into God's World ——

Song of Celebration

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all;
Hail him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall!
We'll join the ever-lasting song, and crown Him Lord of all;
We'll join the ever-lasting song, and crown Him Lord of all.

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!

Easter Lilies in Remembrance/Honor of

Harry & Lydia Westcott	Mr. & Mrs. Harry A. Westcott Mr. & Mrs. Clayton Sawyer, Sr.
Dimon & Bess Kendrick-Holmes	Douglas B. Haynes, Jr.
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Clark & Pillar Cobb	Jim & Rachel Skalitzky Howell Cobb
Carol Dayton Emily & Leroy Ward	Arthur G. Springer, Jr. Shirley G. Springer

Announcements

Easter Lunch

Everyone is invited to join us , immediately following the worship service, for a potluck Easter lunch. Find details and sign up on the app!

Congregational Meeting

There will be a congregational meeting during the Bible & Life hour on Sunday, **April 24**, for the purpose of electing officers.

Children's Ministry

FINAL CLUBTIME meets **April 24** for a joint program with the Youth. Supper is provided. Please arrive by 5:30pm, pickup is at 7:30pm.

Visitor Lunch

Join us for a Visitor Lunch immediately following the Bible and Life hour on **May 1**. Find more information and sign up on the app.

Men's Ministry

Men's Tuesday Morning Study

Join us from 8-9am at the church for a Bible. Check the app for the scripture verse. Childcare is not provided.

Women's Ministry

Bible Study

Join us! Tuesday Morning Study: 9:30-11am, beginning this Tuesday - May 17. We will be going through the book "Before you Share your Faith: Five ways to be evangelism ready" by Matt Smethurst. Childcare is available.

Moms in Prayer

Moms in Prayer meets Mondays at 9:30 in the Moseley House.

Youth Ministry

Youth Group meets weekly at the Moseley House and is open to all students 7th grade to 12th grade. *Please contact Grant Gilliam with any questions.*

April 17— No Youth Group—Easter Sunday

April 24—Joint Children's and Youth Group 5:30-7:30

Children's Church Volunteers

April 17—Bess Kendrick-Holmes, Emily Simmons, Kayla Dodds

April 24— Juli Pope, Cheryl Smith, Olivia O'Shields, Grace Johnson

May 1— Amy Rhodes, Cam Addison, Olivia Rhodes, Andie Addison

Church Family Needs

Expectant Mothers— Traci Howell, Jackie Horne

Foster Care Families—Matt & Katherine Maxey; Mitch & Amy Jaeger

St. Andrews Missionaries— 18.26 Network

St Andrews Ministries— Women's 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 recovering from surgeries, accidents, cancer treatments and other illnesses:

Delaney Trimble—Susan Clickner — Addie Jackson —

Don Foster — Charles Kendrick-Holmes

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

Missionaries and Ministries Supported by St. Andrews

A Jesus Mission (Doni & Albina Mehmeti)

Clement Arts (Carmen Overton)

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)

Andrew & Krista May (Peru), Pete & Ruth Mitchell (France)

David & Erin Pervis (Greece), Frank Harrell (Japan)

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)

Columbus State University (Minister Selection Underway)

Valdosta State University (John Gordy)

Louisiana State University (Joshua Johnston)

Seneca Pregnancy Clinic (Amber Snipes)

Sound Choices Pregnancy Clinic (Melissa Howard)

Teen Challenge Columbus Women's Home (Amanda Taylor)

Truth Spring Academy (Carrie Strickland)

Valley Rescue Mission (Vann Ellison)

Young Life Greater Columbus, GA (Lauren Johnson)

Atlanta, GA (Slate & Lindsay Fluker)

St. Andrews Staff

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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 and honored 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: _____

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

We would cherish 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.

