

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

February 4, 2024

Missions Conference Weekend

—— Gathering in God's Presence ——

## Prelude

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

## Call to Worship: taken from Psalm 84

How lovely is your dwelling place,

O Lord of hosts!

My soul longs, yes, faints

for the courts of the Lord;

my heart and flesh sing for joy

to the living God.

For a day in your courts is better

than a thousand elsewhere.

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God

than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

**O Lord of hosts,**

**blessed is the one who trusts in you!**

# — Offering God Our Praises —

## Songs of Ascent

### All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King  
Lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam!

*Refrain:*

*O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Thou rushing wind that art so strong  
Ye clouds that sail in Heaven along,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou rising moon, in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice!

*(Refrain)*

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
Make music for thy Lord to hear,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Thou fire so masterful and bright,  
That givest man both warmth and light.

*(Refrain)*

And all ye men of tender heart,  
Forgiving others, take your part,  
O sing ye! Alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
Praise God and on Him cast your care!

*(Refrain)*

Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!

*(Refrain)*

## Tender Mercy

Hear my cry for mercy as I call to You,  
As I lift my hands in Spirit and in Truth:

*Chorus:*

**Men:** *We cry mercy*

**Women:** *In the name of the Father most Holy,*

**Men:** *We cry mercy*

**Women:** *In the name of the Son Who was slain,*

**Men:** *Lord have mercy*

**Women:** *In the name of the Spirit indwelling,*

**Together:** *Tender mercy Lord!*

**Men:** *You are mercy*

**Women:** *In the name of the Father most Holy,*

**Men:** *You are mercy*

**Women:** *In the name of the Son Who was slain,*

**Men:** *Lord have mercy*

**Women:** *In the name of the Spirit indwelling,*

**Together:** *Tender mercy Lord!*

*(Repeat last line of chorus after second verse.)*

In Your tender mercy brought by grace through faith,  
I will lift my heart toward Your most Holy place:

*(Chorus)*

## **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.*

## **Greeting**

To those who are *called, beloved* in God the Father and *kept* for Jesus Christ: May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

## Prayer of Invocation

O Lord God Almighty, you are our Creator, Redeemer and King. This morning as we sing songs of praise to you, pray, confess our sins, are assured of your pardoning grace, hear your word read and proclaimed, and bring our lives to you in repentance and faith, we ask that you come and dwell among us as your people. Raise us to newness of life in Christ. We pray in the name of the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, Jesus, our Savior and King. Amen.

## Song of Praise

### I Will Glory In My Redeemer

I will glory in my Redeemer,  
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me.  
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails,  
And hung Him on that judgment tree.  
I will glory in my Redeemer,  
Who crushed the power of sin and death.  
My only Savior before the holy Judge:  
The Lamb who is my righteousness, the Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer.  
My life He bought, my love He owns.  
I have no longings for another,  
I'm satisfied in Him alone.  
I will glory in my Redeemer,  
His faithfulness my standing place.  
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me,  
My feet are firm held by His grace, my feet are firm held by His grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer,  
Who carries me on eagles' wings.  
He crowns my life with lovingkindness,  
His triumph song I'll ever sing.  
I will glory in my Redeemer,  
Who waits for me at gates of gold.  
And when He calls me, it will be paradise,  
His face forever to behold, His face forever to behold.

# Confession of Faith: - taken from The New City Catechism

*Genesis 1:27*

*So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.*

Q 4: How and why did God create us?

**God created us male and female in his own image to know him, love him, live with him, and glorify him. And it is right that we who were created by God should live to his glory.**

## Corporate Prayers of Confession:

Lord, we cry to you to heal our wounds. We call to you in our distress and plead for your salvation. We have sinned against your law and failed to do your will; we confess that we have disobeyed your Word. We pray that you would purge our lives of selfishness and our hearts of bitterness and resentment. Lead us back to righteousness; save us, we pray, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
**have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
**have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
**grant us your peace.**

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 Ephesians 2

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ.

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

## Song of Assurance

### Jesus Shall Reign

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
Does his successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
Till suns shall rise and set no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made,  
And praises throng to crown his head;  
His name, like sweet perfume,  
shall rise with every morning sacrifice

Blessings abound where'er He reigns;  
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains;  
The weary find eternal rest,  
and all the sons of want are blessed.

**Prayers of Intercession—For the poor & marginalized in our city:**  
and our ministry partners who minister to them - MercyMed, Truth Spring Academy, Highland Community Church, Clement Arts, Seneca, Sound Choices, Valley Rescue Mission, Young Lives, Teen Challenge, IFM

## 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: Revelation 21:1-5** (page 977 in the pew Bible)

**Sermon — “The Beauty of Destiny’s Children” - Dr. Irwyn Ince**

**Notes:**

# — Being Sent Out into God's World —

## Song of Dismissal

### Jesus Shall Reign

People and realms of every tongue  
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;  
And infant voices shall proclaim  
Their early praises to His Name.

Let every creature rise and bring  
Blessing and honor to our King;  
Angels descend with songs again,  
And earth repeat the loud amen!

## 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 —

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## **Farewell for the Gilliams**

There will be no Bible and Life for Youth or Adults on Sunday **Feb 11**. Please joins us for coffee and donuts in the Moseley House to say goodbye to Grant and his family. *Children will have Bible and Life as usual.*

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## **Children's Ministry**

### **Communicants Class**

Our communicants class will begin **Feb 25**. This class is for children in 5th-8th grade. This five-week class will meet during the Bible and Life hour. For more information contact Marie Baum at [children@standrewscolumbus.org](mailto:children@standrewscolumbus.org).

### **VBS**

VBS this year will be **June 3-7**. Mark your calendars!

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## **Men's Ministry**

### **Men's Bible Study**

Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets on Tuesday mornings 8:00-9:00 am. Please see the app for the Bible verse that we will be studying.

### **Fireside Chat**

There will be a Fireside Chat on Thursday **Feb 8**. Details on can be found on the app!

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## **Women's Ministry**

### **Bible Study**

Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets from 9:30-11:00am. Childcare is available for ages 0-4. We will be going through the book of Job, taught by Bill Douglas.

### **Early Morning Bible Study**

Join Liz Brooks for a Bible Study in the Moseley House on Thursday mornings from 6-7:00am. We will also be studying the book of Job.

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## **Year End Statements**

Year End statements have been mailed. If you have not received yours by next week, please email the office.

## 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.*

**Feb 4**—Youth Group—Recognizing Seniors 5:30-7:00

## Children's Church Volunteers

**Feb 4**—Cam Addison, Lulu Highley, Leah Rodeheaver, Abigail Rodeheaver, Rebekah Rodeheaver

**Feb 11**—Linda Bennett, Kaity Stewart, Annelly Blake Maxey, Henry Maxey

**Feb 18**—Amy Rhodes, Julie Eggleston

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## Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

**Expectant Mothers**— Jennifer Corcoran, Lindsey Fortin, Kathleen Whitley

**Foster Care Families**— Matt & Katherine Maxey; Daniel & Jenny Hord

**St. Andrews Missionaries**— Reformed Evangelical Fellowship

**St. Andrews Ministries**— Pastor and Staff

**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 — Charles Kendrick-Holmes —  
Louann Buck — 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](mailto: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 (Tim Grider)

Valdosta State University (John Gordy)

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** (Amanda Taylor)

**Truth Spring Academy** (Carrie Strickland)

**Valley Rescue Mission** (Vann Ellison)

## St. Andrews Staff and Leadership

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**Senior Pastor**—Wes Simmons

**Assistant Pastor of Youth & Christian Education**—Grant Gilliam

**Assistant Pastor** —Jeff Barkhouse

**Pastoral Intern**—Thomas Gibbs

**Director of Children’s Ministry**—Marie Baum

**Director of Communications & Administration**—Margaret Taunton

**Music & Worship Coordinator**—Bob Ross

**Nursery Coordinator**—Juli Pope

**Financial Assistant**—Ashley Etchechury

**Church Administrator**—Jennifer Schoonover

**Office Hours—Sunday - Thursday 9:00am—4:00pm**

The office can be reached at [office@standrewscolumbus.org](mailto:office@standrewscolumbus.org)

## Elders of St. Andrews

Andy Dickens

Bob Ross

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Rich Dahlin

Phil Engstrom

Josh Schuster

Clark Cobb

John Mitchell

Nathan Rodeheaver

The Elders can be reached at [elders@standrewscolumbus.org](mailto:elders@standrewscolumbus.org)

## Deacons of St. Andrews

Tom Johnson

Billy Whitley

Daniel Hord

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John Simpson

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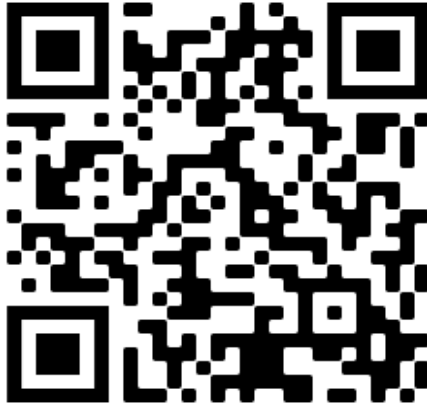
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# WELCOME VISITORS

*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.*



*Elders will be in the back of the church to answer questions after the worship service.*



## **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.

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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.

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**Thanks for visiting with us today.**

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