

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 19, 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 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

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.

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.

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.

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

Heavenly Father, we come before You today resting in the finished work of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. We look to You and You alone for the grace and mercy that sets us free from the bondage of our sin. Help us as we worship You today, to come to You confidently, as we proclaim the name of Jesus, the One who gave His life for all our sins. Father, we love You and desire to learn to love You more. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

Old Testament and New Testament Readings

Old Testament: Psalm 73:23-26

New Testament: Mark 10:13-16

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)

Corporate Prayers of Confession:

I call on You, O Lord, in my distress, and know that You hear and answer me. Save me, Lord. Draw near and hear, You who alone can forgive sin and who alone can redeem the lost.

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 John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.

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 7:13-14

Sermon — Wes Simmons, Senior Pastor

Notes:

— 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!**

Song of Preparation

What Wondrous Love Is This

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down;
When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

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!**

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

What Wondrous Love Is This

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM—
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

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 & Life Hour

Bible and Life meets on Sunday Morning at 9:30am.

Youth Bible & Life meets in the Moseley House.

Women's Ministry

Early Morning Bible Study

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

Women's Prayer Ministry

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

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study: Caregivers Study

Join us for morning Bible Study on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 @ St. Andrews.

Women's Watercolor Night

Ladies, Join us Friday, **April 24** from 7-9 PM in the Moseley house. Whatever your skill level, come experience the beauty of art and make a little something for your wall (or refrigerator)! All materials are provided.

Children's Ministry

Rooted

Rooted, our children's discipleship program, meets next **April 26** from 5:30-7:30pm.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2026 is coming **June 8-12!** If interested in volunteering see the app. For more questions Marie Baum, Children's Director or Anna Rodeheaver, VBS Director.

Reminder: VBS registration is currently open for our St. Andrews families. As of **May 1**, registration will be open to the public. Once we reach full capacity registration will be closed to everyone. If you are planning for your child to attend please register now!

— Announcements —

St. Andrews 101

The next session of our membership class, St. Andrews 101, will be **April 26** and **May 3** at 9:30-10:15. Childcare will be provided. You must attend both dates to complete the class. Registration Deadline is Wednesday, April 22.

Congregational Meeting

There will be a congregational meeting during the Bible and Life hour on **May 17** at 9:30 to elect Officers (Deacons and Elders). Other topics include an Emergency Response Committee update and information about the Family Communicant's Guide. Nursery will be provided. Families with children in PreK-4 and up: Please keep your children with you in the sanctuary for the first part of the meeting so that our Bible & Life teachers may vote. Children will then be dismissed to a group Bible & Life session.

Financial Peace University Interest Survey

Our church hopes to start another Financial Peace University class. These classes have helped nearly 10 million people win with money. If interested, please fill out the survey in the **Christian Education & Community** section of the App.

ROMEIO (Retired Old Men Eating Out)

Join us Thursday, **April 23** at 11:30 for our monthly fellowship for men who are retired, semi-retired or approaching retirement. See the App or contact Chris Schuster for more information: 706-718-8632 or auschuster84@gmail.com

Men's Ministry

Men's Bible Study

Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study will be on a *two week break and resume on **May 7***. Men's Bible study meets from 8-9:00am at St. Andrews.

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.

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.*

April 19— Youth Group @ Moseley House

April 26— Youth Group @ Moseley House

Children's Church Volunteers

April 19—Amy Rhodes, Kayla Barkhouse, Kate Simmons,
Emily Simmons

April 26—Cam Addison, Anna Grider, Josie Blake, Tony Blake

May 3—Heather O'Shields, Kaity Stewart, Leah Rodeheaver, Abigail Rodeheaver, Rebekah Rodeheaver

Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

Expectant Mothers— Kayla Barkhouse

St. Andrews Missionaries— Pioneers

St. Andrews Ministries— Outreach 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



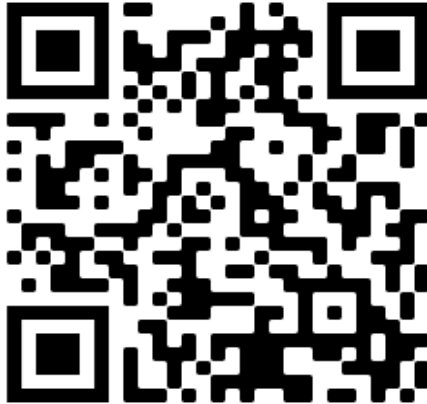
Staff and Leadership



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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