

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

May 17, 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: Isaiah 12:2-6

“Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the Lord God is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.”

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day:

**“Give thanks to the Lord,
call upon his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that his name is exalted.**

**“Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.
Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”**

— Offering God Our Praises —

Songs of Ascent

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!

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon the cross, my sin upon His shoulders.
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything—no gifts, no power, no wisdom—
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom!

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

O Lord, our God, we trust Your promise to be among us as we gather together this morning. We come in the name of Christ alone, drawn by Your Spirit, eager to hear Your Word. Fill our hearts with Your Spirit and help us to worship You in spirit and in truth. We pray in the name of our Savior, Jesus. Amen.

Old Testament and New Testament Readings

Old Testament: Reading: Numbers 24:1-14

New Testament: Luke 4:16-21

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

Song of Praise

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God:
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down:
did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

Corporate Prayers of Confession:

Our most gracious Heavenly Father, we confess our sins because you alone are powerful enough, and merciful enough to forgive our guilt. Show us how great our need is, and show us how great the grace of our Savior Jesus is.

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.

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 7:28-29

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

Jesus Paid It All

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small;
Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all."

Chorus:

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;

Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim;
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.
(Chorus)

Lord, now indeed I find Thy pow'r, and Thine alone,
Can change the leper's spots and melt the heart of stone.
(Chorus)

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

Jesus Paid It All

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete,
“Jesus died, my soul to save!” my lips shall still repeat.

Chorus:

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;

Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

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 & Life Hour

Bible & Life is on a break and will resume on **Aug 9**.

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 Summer Bible Study

Join us for morning Bible Study on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 @ St. Andrews beginning **June 16**.

Children's Ministry

Rooted

Rooted, our children's discipleship program, meets for the last time this semester **tonight** at 5:30.

Vacation Bible School

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

VBS registration is currently open. Once we reach full capacity *registration will be closed to everyone.* If you are planning for your child to attend please and register now!

Child Safety Training Make-Up Session

If you plan to help with VBS and haven't taken this training class, please make plans to attend on Sunday, **May 31** at 9:30.

— Announcements —

Men's Ministry

Men's Bible Study

Men's Tuesday Morning 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.

Merry May

Foster Care Awareness Month

Merry May is our church's opportunity to encourage and celebrate Foster, Adoptive, and Kinship Families in our city. Give a gift of a summer experience! See the App for more information and a link to give.

Sabbatical Update

Our Pastor is going on Sabbatical in 2026. His last Sunday preaching is **May 24**. Please join us in praying for him and his family for spiritual renewal and refreshment during this time.

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.*

May 17—Youth Group @ Moseley House

May 24—No Youth Group

Children's Church Volunteers

May 17—Amy Rhodes, Kayla Barkhouse, Kate Simmons, Henry Maxey
Caleb Schuster

May 24—Cam Addison, Anna Grider, Julianne Foster, Wade Wallace,
Andie Addison

May 31— Kelly Phillips, Anna Rodeheaver, Bradley Brooks, Lucy Brooks

Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

Expectant Mothers— Kayla Barkhouse

St. Andrews Missionaries— Sound Choices Pregnancy Clinic

St. Andrews Ministries— Women's Ministry

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

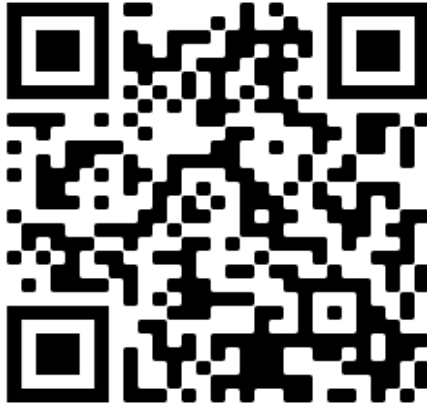


Staff and Leadership



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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