

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

March 22, 2026

## — 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 Exodus 15

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation;

This is my God, and I will praise him.

**Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods?**

**Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?**

You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed;

**The Lord will reign for ever and ever!**

# — Offering God Our Praises —

## Songs of Ascent

### On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye  
To Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.  
All o'er those wide extended plains, shines one eternal day;  
There God the Son forever reigns, and scatters night away.

*Chorus:*

**Men:** *I am bound*

**Women:** *I am bound,*

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**Women:** *I am bound,*

**Together:** *I am bound for Promised Land!*

*(Repeat)*

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore;  
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more.

*(Chorus)*

When shall I reach that happy place, and be forever blessed?

When shall I see my Father's face, and in His bosom rest?

*(Chorus)*

## **I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say**

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest;  
Lay down, O weary one lay down, Your head upon My breast."  
I came to Jesus as I was, weary, worn and sad;  
I found in Him my resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold I freely give  
The living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink, and live."  
I came to Jesus, and I drank from that life-giving stream  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;  
Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy days be bright."  
I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my star, my sun;  
And in that light of life I'll walk 'til pilgrim days are done.

## **All I Have is Christ**

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way,  
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.  
I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will,  
And if You had not loved me first, I would refuse You still.

*Chorus:*

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ.*

*Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!*

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost,  
You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross.  
And I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place.  
You bore the wrath reserved for me; now all I know is grace.

*(Chorus)*

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone and live so all might see  
The strength to follow Your commands could never come from me.  
O Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose,  
And let my song forever be my only boast is You.

*(Chorus)*

## **Greeting**

Grace to you and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins.

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

## **Prayer of Invocation**

God of goodness and grace, we long for your presence, for the peace your promises bring, and for the assurances we have received through the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ.

May we, your people, this day and every day, have open eyes to see and open ears to hear your presence among us.

Open us to your Holy Spirit, Lord, and prepare our hearts for worship.

We pray in the name of Jesus, who has redeemed us from our sin. Amen.

## **Old Testament and New Testament Readings**

Old Testament: Psalm 57:1-11

New Testament: Matthew 27:45-54

# Song of Praise

## Down At the Cross

Down at the cross where my Savior died,  
Down where for cleansing from sin I cried,  
There to my heart was the blood applied;  
Singing Glory, Glory, Glory to His Name!

I am so wondrously saved from sin,  
Jesus so sweetly abides within;  
There at the cross where He took me in;  
Singing Glory, Glory, Glory to His Name!

*Chorus:*

*There to my heart was the blood applied;  
Singing Glory, Glory, Glory to His Name!*

*There to my heart was the blood applied;  
Singing Glory, Glory, Glory to His Name!*

Come to this fountain so rich and sweet,  
Cast thy poor soul at the Savior's feet;  
Plunge in today, and be made complete;  
Singing Glory, Glory, Glory to His Name!

*(Chorus)*

# Confession of Faith - taken from The New City Catechism

*Revelation 21:1–4 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”*

Question 52: What hope does everlasting life hold for us?

**It reminds us that this present fallen world is not all there is; soon we will live with and enjoy God forever in the new city, in the new heaven and the new earth, where we will be fully and forever freed from all sin and will inhabit renewed, resurrection bodies in a renewed, restored creation.**

## Corporate Prayers of Confession: From Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your steadfast love;

**according to your abundant mercy  
blot out my transgressions.**

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin!

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.**

Cast me not away from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

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 Psalm 103

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. As far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us.

## Song of Assurance

### How Firm A Foundation

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He hath said,  
You, who unto Jesus for refuge have fled?

Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,  
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

## 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 6:32-34**

**Sermon — Wes Simmons, Senior Pastor**

**Notes:**

# —— Being Sent Out into God's World ——

## **Song of Dismissal**

### **Down At the Cross**

Come to this fountain so rich and sweet,  
Cast thy poor soul at the Savior's feet;  
Plunge in today, and be made complete;  
Singing Glory, Glory, Glory to His Name!

*Chorus:*

*There to my heart was the blood applied;  
Singing Glory, Glory, Glory to His Name!  
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## **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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## **Bible & Life Hour**

Bible and Life meets on Sunday Morning at 9:30am. Youth will attend this semester with the adults. The theme is Relational Evangelism.

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## **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.

### **Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study**

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

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## **Children's Ministry**

### **Rooted**

Rooted, our children's discipleship program, meets next **April 12** from 5:30-7:30pm.

### **VBS**

Save the date! VBS 2026 coming **June 8-12!** If interested in volunteering please see Marie Baum, Children's Director or Anna Rodeheaver, VBS Director.

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## **Men's Ministry**

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

Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets from 8-9:00am at St. Andrews.

### **ROMEO Lunch**

Join us Thursday, Mar 25 at 11:30 for our monthly fellowship lunch. Details and location on the app!

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## **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.

# — Easter Announcements —

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## Easter Choir

If you are interested in singing in the Easter Choir, please email the office at [music@standrewscolumbus.org](mailto:music@standrewscolumbus.org) Details on practice times and dates will be forthcoming.

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## Good Friday Service

We will be having a Good Friday Service on Friday **April 3** at 5:30 pm. This is a service of scripture, meditation, and prayer. Nursery 4 and under will be available.

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## Easter Lunch

All are invited to our annual Easter Lunch right after the Worship Service on Easter Sunday **April 5**. There is a link on the app to sign up to bring a side dish or desert. Please bring your family and friends. If you are interested in helping with the set up or take down of this event you can sign up on the app! Many hands make light work!

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## Lily Memorial

If you would like to purchase an Easter Lily in honor or memory of someone please contact the office at [office@standrewscolumbus.org](mailto:office@standrewscolumbus.org) with the correct spelling of the name you are honoring. Lilies are \$10 each. If you would like to pay via the offering plate please put “Lilies” in the memo line in your check.

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## Easter Egg Hunt

There will be an egg hunt after the Easter lunch! If you are interested in donating candy for this event you can drop off individually wrapped candy, *including chocolate*, in the office.

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## Palm Sunday

As is tradition here at St. Andrews our children will enter worship with Palms during the second song of ascent on Palm Sunday, **Mar 29**. If your child would like to participate please have them meet Mrs. Marie Baum, our Children’s Director, in the Narthex before church.

## 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](mailto:vijay@standrewscolumbus.org) if you have any questions.*

**Mar 22**—Youth Group @ Moseley House

**Mar 29**—No Youth Group (Palm Sunday)

**April 5**—No Youth Group (Easter Sunday)

## Children's Church Volunteers

**Mar 22**—Amy Rhodes, Kayla Barkhouse, Leah Rodeheaver, Abigail Rodeheaver, Rebekah Rodeheaver

**Mar 29**—Kelly Phillips, Anna Rodeheaver, Julianne Foster, Wade Wallace

**April 5**—Heather O'Shields, Kaity Stewart, Rosalie Whitten, Caleb Schuster

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## Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

**Expectant Mothers**— Kayla Barkhouse, Morgan Logan

**St. Andrews Missionaries**— MercyMed

**St. Andrews Ministries**—Deacons

**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](mailto: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](mailto:sapc.womensministry@gmail.com)

## **St. Andrews Missionaries and Ministries**



## **Nursery and Young Children Information**

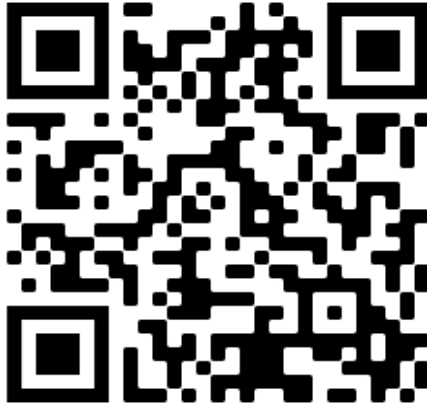


## **Staff and Leadership**



# 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.*



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## **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.

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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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