

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

September 14, 2025

—— Gathering in God's Presence ——

Prelude

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

To all who are wary 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: Zechariah 9:17

“For how great is his *goodness*, and how great his *beauty*!”

—— 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.

Praise To the Lord the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near, praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what He
ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, if with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,
Decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief, spreading his wings to o'er
shade thee!

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen sound from His people again; gladly for aye we adore Him.

Greeting

Grace and Peace to you from God Our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!
According to His great mercy, He has made us *alive*, to a *living* hope,
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of Invocation

Lord, to come into your presence is to be changed. We cannot come into
your presence and stay the same. So change us, Lord. Remake us.
Conform us, mold us, shape us into the image of your Son. It is in His name
that we pray, amen.

Song of Praise

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of his Spirit washed in his blood.

Chorus:

*This is my story, this is my song, praising my savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long.*

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above,
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
(Chorus)

Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in his love.
(Chorus)

Confession of Faith- taken from The New City Catechism

*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.
Ephesians 2:8-9*

Q 29: How can we be saved?

Only by faith in Jesus Christ and his substitutionary atoning death on the cross; so even though we are guilty of having disobeyed God and are still inclined to all evil, nevertheless, God, without any merit of our own but only by pure grace, imputes to us the perfect righteousness of Christ when we repent and believe in him.

Corporate Prayers of Confession: From Psalm 32

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgression to the Lord,” and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Father, hear us now as we offer to you our silent, individual prayers of confession.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace: From Romans 1 and 5, and Colossians 1

God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Song of Assurance

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be.

Chorus:

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.
(Chorus)

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: Romans 13:11-14 (page 892 in the pew Bible)

Sermon — Wes Simmons, Senior Pastor

Notes:

—— Being Sent Out into God's World ——

Song of Dismissal

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Chorus:

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

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 and Life

Bible and Life meets Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:15am.

Women's Ministry

Early Morning Bible Study

Join us for an early morning Bible Study on Thursdays! We are doing a study on Habakkuk beginning at 6:00am.—See the app for location.

Women's Prayer Ministry

The Women's Prayer Ministry meets Mondays at 9:30am. We will be meeting off site for the next few weeks, please see the app for more info.

Women's Fall Bible Study

The Women's Fall Bible study meets on Tuesday mornings at 9:30, in Room 111/112. We will be using Lydia Brownback's book "Habakkuk: Learning to Live By Faith". The study booklets are available to purchase for \$10 in the office. Childcare is provided for children ages 4 and under.

Officer Nominations

September and October are Officer Nomination months. Please see the app for the nomination form and additional information. If you have any additional questions that are not answered on the app, please email the office.

Mission Trip

We are excited to announce that St. Andrews is going to Japan in October to support our two missionaries! If you are interested in joining our team to minister to the Church in Japan, please contact Jackie Horne at 706-442-3822 for more details.

Directory Update

We are updating our church database and directory, and need your help to ensure they are accurate so that we can care for one another as the body of Christ! Please click on the tab in the App for the link. We want ALL people of St. Andrews, both Members and Regular Visitors, to complete the form!

— Announcements —

Men's Ministry

Men's Bible Study

Men's Tuesday morning Bible Study meets from 8-9:00am.

Shark Trip

The 2025 Men's Shark Trip will be **Sept 25-28**. The cost will be \$150. Cost covers housing and meals. All fishing gear is provided. To reserve your place: Please contact Chris Schuster: 706-718-8632, auschuster84@gmail.com or Dale Pope: 434-209-2073, itsdalebert@gmail.com.

Children's Ministry

Rooted meets next **Sept 21** from 5:30-7:30pm.

Want to Serve?



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.*

Sept 14—Youth Group @ Moseley House

Sept 21—Youth Group @ Moseley House

Small Groups

Interested in joining a small group? Do you have questions about small groups? Contact Wayne Logan at (606) 521-9470 or wayne@standrewscolumbus.org.

Children's Church Volunteers

Sept 14—Sara Barkhouse, Kaity Stewart, Leah Rodeheaver, Abigail Rodeheaver, Rebekah Rodeheaver

Sept 21—Amy Rhodes, Kayla Barkhouse, Kate Simmons, Henry Maxey

Sept 28—Cam Addison, Anna Rodeheaver, Julianne Foster, Wade Wallace

Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

Expectant Mothers—Katherine Fahling

St. Andrews Missionaries—Truth Spring Academy

St. Andrews Ministries—Session

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

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

To Visitors and Parents with babies and young children:

At St. Andrews, we are a covenant family & covenant community. We welcome children as worshippers in the Lord's sanctuary alongside their parents. We know children wiggle and make noise sometimes. To maintain a worshipful atmosphere without distracting others, we have the following options available by age:

- Nursery is available for children ages 0-K3. There is a sign-in computer in the hallway. Juli Pope is our Nursery Coordinator if you need any assistance – 706-442-5854
- A nursing mother's room is available around the corner from the Narthex for nursing and fussy babies. In addition, a TV is available in the Narthex with a live stream of the worship service, in case you need to step out with your child, for a few minutes.
- Children ages K4-K5 are dismissed for Children's Church after the Offertory. Marie Baum is our Director of Children's Ministry if you have any questions – children@standrewscolumbus.org
- A children's bulletin and crayons are available for all children in the Narthex.
- We encourage children to stand when appropriate and participate in worship as much as possible!

To the members of our congregation:

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and a reminder that our congregation is growing. Please welcome our children and encourage their parents!

Missionaries and Ministries Supported by St. Andrews

Clement Arts (Carmen Overton)

Eden's Hope (Haley Reed)

International Friendship Ministries (Ron Collins)

Marannook (Taylor Teel)

MercyMed of Columbus (Billy Holbrook)

Mission Enablers International David Taylor (Turkey)

Mission to North America (MNA) Chaplain Ministries (Michael Stewart)

Mission to the World (MTW)

Pete Mitchell (France)

David & Erin Pervis (Greece)

Frank Harrell (Japan)

Doni & Albina Mehmeti (Kosovo)

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 & Andrew Burckhalter)

Columbus State University (Tim Gridler, Kenyatta Ward)

Kent State University (Cordelia Wilson)

Georgia Southern University (Nathanael Miller)

Seneca Pregnancy Clinic (Amber Snipes)

Sound Choices Pregnancy Clinic (Melissa Howard)

Teen Challenge Columbus Women's Home (Samantha White)

Teen Challenge Global (Claude Mooneyhan)

Trail Life (Fred Parks)

Truth Spring Academy (Rob & Carrie Strickland)

Valley Rescue Mission (Mike Gaymon)

Young Life Greater Columbus, GA (Lauren Johnson)

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.

St. Andrews Staff and Leadership

Senior Pastor—Wes Simmons

Assistant Pastor —Jeff Barkhouse

Director of Children's Ministry—Marie Baum

Youth Director—Vijay Rawal

Director of Christian Education—Wayne Logan

Music & Worship Coordinator—Bob Ross

Nursery Coordinator—Juli Pope

Church Administrator—Amelia Estes

Office Administrator—Jennifer Schoonover

Office Hours—Monday– Thursday 9:00am—3:00pm

And by appointment

The office can be reached at office@standrewscolumbus.org

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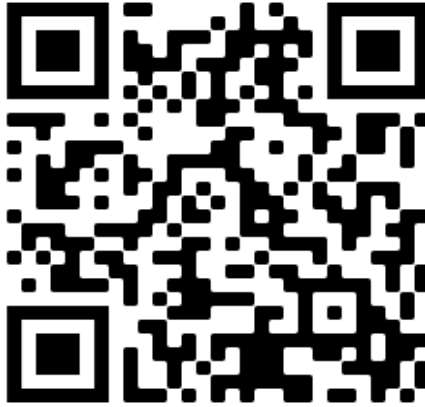
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WELCOME VISITORS

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.



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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