





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 19, 2023  
Communion Sunday

— Gathering in God's Presence —

## Prelude

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

## Call to Worship: Taken from Isaiah 12

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.

**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.**

# — Offering God Our Praises —

## Songs of Ascent

### **Come, Christians, Join To Sing**

Come, Christians, join to sing loud praise to Christ our King.  
Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice.

*Alleluia! Amen!*

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Come, lift your hearts on high. Let praises fill the sky.  
He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend.

*Alleluia! Amen!*

*Alleluia! Amen!*

Praise yet our Christ again. Life shall not end the strain.  
On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore.

*Alleluia! Amen!*

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## Power Of The Cross

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day: Christ on the road to Calvary.  
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then Nailed to a cross of wood.

*Chorus:*

*This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us;  
Took the blame, bore the wrath—We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin.  
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed crowning Your bloodstained brow.

*(Chorus)*

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath quakes as its Maker bows  
His head. Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life; "Finished!" the vict'ry  
cry.

*(Chorus)*

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds, for through Your suffering I am  
free.  
Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love.

*Chorus:*

*This, the pow'r of the cross: Son of God—slain for us.  
What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.*

## Greeting

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

## Prayer of Invocation

Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Song of Praise

### O Great God

O great God of highest heav'n, occupy my lowly heart.  
Own it all and reign supreme, conquer every rebel pow'r.  
Let no vice or sin remain that resists Your holy war.  
You have loved and purchased me, make me Yours forever more.

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice,  
Did not know Your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys.  
Then Your Spirit gave me life, opened up Your Word to me,  
Through the gospel of Your Son, gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on Your grace.  
Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face.  
You are worthy to be praised with my evr'y thought and deed.  
O great God of highest heav'n, glorify Your name through me.

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O great God of highest heav'n, glorify Your name through me.*

## **Corporate Prayers of Confession:**

Eternal God,  
in whom we live and move and have our being,  
whose face is hidden from us by our sins,  
and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:  
Cleanse us from all our offenses,  
and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,  
that with reverent and humble hearts  
we may draw near to you,  
confessing our faults,  
confiding in your grace,  
and finding in you our refuge and strength;  
through Jesus Christ your Son.

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 Exodus 34:6-7**

The LORD, the LORD, is a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin.

## **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.)*

# — Hearing and Responding to God's Word —

**Scripture Reading: Acts 2:42-47** (page 857 in the pew Bible)

**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!**

It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise & magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and *singing*:

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.**

## 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.*

## 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 the Elements and Taking the Sacrament 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: 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

Bible and Life classes meet at 9:30am for adults, youth, and children.

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## Men's Ministry

### Men's Bible Study

Bible Study meets on **Tuesdays** at 8:00am. Check the app for the scripture each week.

### Fireside Chat

Fireside Chat has been rescheduled to **Feb. 23**. Find more information on the app.

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## Women's Ministry

### Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study meets **Tuesdays** at 9:30am. Childcare is provided.

### Women's Conference

Women's Conference - **March 3-4, 2023** at St. Andrews! If you want a t-shirt the deadline to register is today!

### Moms in Prayer

Moms in Prayer meets on **Mondays** at 9:30am in the Moseley House.

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## St. Andrews 101

Interested in joining the church? The next St. Andrews 101 class will be **April 29** from 8:45-12:00pm. A light breakfast will be served and childcare is available with registration.

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## Churchwide Devotional

We will be going through a churchwide devotional study called "40 Days of Prayer" beginning Wed. **Feb. 22**. Pick up your booklet in the Narthex after worship today!

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## CLUBTIME

CLUBTIME, a twice a month program for kids in 1st-6th grade, meets **next on Feb. 26** from 5:30-7:30pm.

## 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 19, 26**—Youth Group 5:30-7:30 @ the Moseley House

**Feb 25**—Youth Service Day

**Feb 26**—Youth Group 5:30-7:30 @ the Moseley House

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## Children's Church Volunteers

**Feb 19**—Janet Whitley, Kelly Brown, Bethany Adams, Klein Adams, Emily Simmons

**Feb 26**—Katie Edmonson, Linda Bennett, Lucy Brooks, Bradley Brooks

**Mar 5**— Ashley Etchechury, Tommy Etchechury, Kayla Dodds, Annely Blake Maxey, Henry Maxey

## Church Family Needs

**Expectant Mothers**— Rachel Brown, Anna Grider, Courtney Catoe, Emily Ward, Katherine Fahling, Jada Gilliam, Jessica Secrest, Erin Stuver, Erin Waldrep, Caroline Kennon

**Foster Care Families**—Matt & Katherine Maxey; Mitch & Amy Jaeger

**St. Andrews Missionaries**— Session

**St Andrews Ministries**— Valley Rescue Mission

**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 — Don Foster  
Charles Kendrick-Holmes — Tom Appleby — Liam Young*

## 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**

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**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)

Louisiana State University (Joshua Johnston)

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)

**Young Life** Greater Columbus, GA (Lauren Johnson)

## **St. Andrews Staff**

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**Senior Pastor**—Wes Simmons

**Assistant Pastor & Director of Youth**—Grant Gilliam

**Assistant Pastor of Mission**—Jeff Barkhouse

**Director of Children**—Marie Baum

**Director of Ministries**—Amy Jaeger

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

**Coordinator of Music & Worship**—Bob Ross

**Nursery Coordinator**—Juli Pope

**Church Administrator**—Jennifer Schoonover

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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.*

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## **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 cherish 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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