

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

November 23, 2025

— 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: from 2 Samuel 22:47, 50

The Lord lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be my God, the rock of my salvation.

I will praise you, O LORD, among the nations, and sing praises to your name.

— Offering God Our Praises —

Songs of Ascent

Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight; Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight; Thou my soul's Shelter, Thou my high Tower: Raise Thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine Inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High king of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of All.

My Jesus, I Love Thee

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine; For Thee all the follies of sin I resign. My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou; If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou has first loved me, And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree. I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow; If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death, And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath; And say when the death dew lies cold on my brow, If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight, I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright; I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow; If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

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)

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

Father, we call on you this morning to remember your promises and your covenant, secured for us by the blood of your Son, and to come and dwell among us as your people. Turn our minds, hearts and wills to the praise and worship of your great Name. Make us *alive* by the work of Your Holy Spirit, our Comforter and Helper. We make all prayers in the name of Jesus, Amen.

Song of Request (a Prayer)

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of Your Holy Word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness, That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.

Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility; Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity. Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority.

Words of pow'r that can never fail—let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—

Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity.

And by grace we'll stand on Your promises, and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.

Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built and the earth is filled with Your glory.

Confession of Faith - taken from The New City Catechism

John 14:16-17 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

Question 36: What do we believe about the Holy Spirit?

That he is God, coeternal with the Father and the Son, and that God grants him irrevocably to all who believe.

Corporate Prayers of Confession:

Our great Redeemer and only hope, you do not deal with us according to our sins nor do you hold our sins against us, because of Jesus. So we come freely confessing that we have rebelled against your clear commands. We have not loved you with our whole heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.

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

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace: From Ephesians 2

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.

By grace you have been saved!

He has raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

Song Assurance

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come; 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

Offering and Special Music

	Hearing and	Responding to	God's Word ——
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Scripture Reading: Daniel 3:13-18

Sermon — Tim Grider, RUF Campus Minister at Columbus State University

Notes:

---- Being Sent Out into God's World -----

Song of Dismissal

Amazing Grace

When we've been there ten thousand years bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures; He will my Shield and Portion be, as long as life endures.

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 is over for the Fall Semester and will resume **January 2026** on the theme of Relational Evangelism.

Women's Ministry

Early Morning Bible Study

The Early Morning study meets off-site Thursday mornings from 6-7 am. See the app for book and location information!

Women's Prayer Ministry

The Women's Prayer Ministry is on a break and will resume meeting Mondays at 9:30am starting **January 12, 2026**.

Women's Fall Bible Study

Women's Tuesday morning Bible Study will resume on January 13, 2026.

Children's Ministry

Rooted is over for the Fall Semester and will resume in January 11, 2026!

Make up Volunteer Training for those wishing to serve in Nursery, Children, or Youth Ministry will be at 9:30-10:10 on **Dec 14** in the Adult Bible and Life Classroom.

Men's Ministry

Men's Bible Study

Men's Tuesday morning. Bible study meets 8-9:00am at St. Andrews. **Nov 25** will be the last Bible Study for the Fall Semester. We will resume **January 2026.**

Office Hours

The office will be closed Thursday Nov 27 and Friday Nov 28.

—— Advent Announcements ——

Poinsettia Memorial

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in honor/memory of a loved one, the cost is \$5.00 per poinsettia. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex or email the office. The deadline for ordering is **Nov 25**. Direct checks to SAPC, in the memo line please write "Poinsettia" and who it is in memory or honor of. Please make sure to write the name of the person you are honoring <u>clearly</u> so that there is no confusion on the correct spelling.

Christmas Dinner

Make plans to join us for one of St. Andrews' most beloved traditions: Christmas Dinner! Christmas Dinner will be Sunday, **Dec 7**. The deadline to register for both the dinner and childcare is **Nov 30** on the app!

Advent Choir

Members and regular visitors are invited to join our Advent Choir. Practice will be at 9:25am in the sanctuary on Nov 30, Dec 7, and Dec 14. We'll sing during the worship service on **Dec 14**. Please sign up in the narthex, or send your contact info to music@standrewscolumbus.org, specifying "Advent Choir ".

Christmas Pageant

The Annual St. Andrews Christmas Pageant is **Dec 14**! Parents please register your children on the app. If you are interested in helping with the pageant or providing finger food for the reception, please sign up on the app or email Mrs. Marie at children@standrewscolumbus.org.

Christmas Eve Service

Join us for our annual Christmas Eve service, Wednesday Dec 24 at 4:30pm.

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.*

Nov 23— Youth Group@ Moseley House—Thanksgiving Dinner Nov 30—No Youth Group

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

Nov 23— Cam Addison, Anna Rodeheaver, Bradley Brooks, Lucy Brooks, Andie Addison

Nov 30— Kelly Phillips, Marie Baum., Klein Adams, Clara Adams

Dec 7—Katherine Fahling, Claire Sproul, Josie Blake, Tony Blake

Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

Expectant Mothers—Katherine Fahling, Sydney Alexander, Kathleen Whitley

St. Andrews Missionaries—18.26 Network

St. Andrews Ministries — Pastor and Staff

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 O-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 (Kenya)

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)

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 Grider, 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

Elders of St. Andrews

Steve Adams
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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 to our email list without your permission.	you
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.	

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