



ST. ANDREWS

a congregation of the PCA

For the rescue and transformation of God's people

August 16, 2026

– **GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE** –

Prelude

Please take a moment to prepare your heart for worship.

Announcements

Call to Worship: From Psalm 96

Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!

Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods.

Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

– **OFFERING GOD OUR PRAISES** –

SONGS OF PRAISE

O Great God - Hymn #400

How Deep The Father's Love For Us - #223

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 ENTRANCE

O Lord God Almighty, you are our Creator, Redeemer and King. This morning as we sing songs of praise to you, pray, confess our sins, are assured of your pardoning grace, hear your word read and proclaimed, and bring our lives to you in repentance and faith, we ask that you come and dwell among us as your people. Raise us to newness of life in Christ. We pray in the name of the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, Jesus, our Savior and King. Amen.

OLD & NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Ruth 4:13-22

John 13:1-20

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SONG OF PRAISE

Let Us Love And Sing And Wonder - Hymn #39

CORPORATE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION:

Psalms 143:1-2

Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy;

in your faithfulness and righteousness come to my relief.

Do not bring your servant into judgment, for no one living is righteous before you. ...

Forgiving Father, I have sinned against heaven and earth and am not worthy to be called your child. But you are rich in compassion. In holy love, you free me from my guilt and punishment. Fill me with the peace and joy of your forgiving grace. Amen.

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 John 3 & Romans 8:1-2

For Christ came into the world not to condemn the world, but that the world should be saved through him.

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

Hosanna! Amen!

PRAYERS FOR THE PREACHING AND HEARING OF GOD'S WORD

OFFERING AND SPECIAL MUSIC

Please accompany your school-aged PreK4 or Kindergartener if it is their first time to attend Children's Church.

– HEARING & RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD –

Scripture Reading: Psalm 16:2

Sermon – Wes Simmons, Senior Pastor

COMMUNING AT THE LORD'S TABLE

CONFESSING WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT COMING TO THE TABLE OF JESUS, THE FRIEND OF SINNERS

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

Jesus Paid It All - Hymn #810, vvi-3

PRAYER OF 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!

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, where true life can be found.

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 prepare them and hold them, so we can all take them together.)

Closing Prayer

– *BEING SENT OUT INTO GOD'S WORD* –

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: 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!

SMALL GROUP SIGN-UP



WEEKLY EVENTS



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