

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 23, 2025

—— Gathering in God's Presence ——

Prelude

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

Call to Worship: Taken from Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the Lord, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

—— Offering God Our Praises ——

Songs of Ascent

O The Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy love;
Leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Spread His praise from shore to shore;
How He loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore;
How He watches o'er His loved ones, died to call them all His own;
How for them He intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of every love the best:
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus! 'Tis a heaven of heavens to me;
And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to Thee.

Come, All Ye Pining

Lord, we adore thy boundless grace, the heights and depths unknown,
Of pardon, life, and joy, and peace, in thy beloved Son.

Chorus:

*Come, all ye pining, hungry poor, the Saviour's bounty taste;
Behold a never-failing store for every willing guest.*

O wondrous gifts of love divine, Dear Source of every good;
Jesus, in thee what glories shine! How rich thy flowing blood!
(Chorus)

Here shall your numerous wants receive a free, a full supply;
He has unmeasured bliss to give, and joys that never die.
(Chorus)

Sing To Jesus

Come and see, look on this mystery:
Lord of the universe, nailed to a tree.
Christ our God spilling His holy blood,
Bowing in anguish His sacred head.

Sing to Jesus, Lord of our shame,
Lord of our sinful hearts, He is our great Redeemer!
Sing to Jesus, honor His name,
Sing of His faithfulness, pouring His life out unto death.

Come you weary and He will give you rest.
Come you who mourn lay on His breast.
Christ who died, risen in paradise—
Giver of mercy, giver of life.

Sing to Jesus, His is the throne;
Now and forever, He is the king of heaven!
Sing to Jesus, we are His own!
Now and forever, sing for the love our God has shown!

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Sing to Jesus, we are His own!
Now and forever, sing for the love our God has shown!

Sing to Jesus, Sing to Jesus, Sing to Jesus!

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

Lord, you who are both perfectly holy and completely gracious, draw near to us, bless us, and fill us. Open our minds and hearts to your unchanging truth, as we gather to worship you today. Hear our songs of praise, our prayers, and our confession of you, the one true and living God. It is in the great name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, that we make our prayers. Amen.

Song of Praise

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!
Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One!

The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present:
To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King!
All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

—— Baptism ——

Louise Pease Whitley
Elizabeth Jean Weskamp

What we Believe about Baptism—Taken From the New City Catechism:

What is baptism?

Baptism is the washing with water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; it signifies and seals our adoption into Christ, our cleansing from sin, and our commitment to belong to the Lord and to his church.

Is baptism with water the washing away of sin itself?

No, only the blood of Christ and the renewal of the Holy Spirit can cleanse us from sin.

The covenant promises:

Acts 2:39: For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.

Gen 17:7: And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. — Titus 3:4-7

Reading from the French Reformed Baptismal Liturgy:

For you, little child, Jesus Christ has come, he has fought, he has suffered. For you he entered the shadow of Gethsemane and the horror of Calvary. For you he uttered the cry, "It is finished!" For you he rose from the dead and ascended into heaven and there he intercedes – for you, little child, even though you do not know it. But in this way the word of the Gospel becomes true. "We love him, because he first loved us."

Vows for Parents:

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Congregational Vow:

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of these children?

Confession of Faith - taken from The New City Catechism

You shall therefore love the Lord your God and keep his charge, his statutes, his rules, and his commandments always. - Deuteronomy 11.1

Question 6: How can we glorify God?

We glorify God by enjoying him, loving him, trusting him, and by obeying his will, commands, and law.

Corporate Prayers of Confession: From Psalm 139

Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!
And see if there be any grievous way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting!

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

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace: Colossians 2:13-14

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

Song of Assurance

Come, Thou Almighty King

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing, help us to praise.
Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend.
Come, and thy people bless, and give thy Word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.
Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three eternal praises be, hence evermore.
His sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

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 8:35-39 (page 888 in the pew Bible)

Sermon — Wes Simmons, Senior Pastor

Notes:

—— Being Sent Out into God's World ——

Song of Celebration

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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!

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!

— Announcements —

Bible and Life

Bible and Life classes begin at 9:30 and nursery is provided.

Children's Ministry

Rooted

Rooted meets **tonight** from 5:30-7:15!

Communicants Class

Communicants Class is for children in grades 5-8 who are growing in their faith and interested in learning more about our church. Although attending the class is required for membership, it does not obligate one to join the church. The Spring 2025 class dates are: March 23, April 13, April 27 and May 4. Please contact Mrs. Marie or Vijay with any questions.

Small Groups

Interested in joining a small group? Do you have questions about small groups? Contact Josh Schuster at (706) 662-0192 or josh.schuster21@gmail.com.

Women's Ministry

Early Morning Bible Study

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

Women's Tuesday Bible Study

Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets from 9:30-11:00am and are studying the Book of Daniel. Childcare is provided for children 4 & under.

Women's Prayer Ministry

Join us **Mondays** in room 108 from 9:30-10:30am. This group meets weekly to pray.

— Announcements —

Men's Ministry

Men's Bible Study

Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets from 8-9:00am. We will be studying the book of 1 John.

Men's Fishing Event

Come join the men of St. Andrews for a relaxing day of fishing on **Mar 15** from 8am-6pm. Lunch will be served. The special for the day is Chef Leerson's pulled pork barbeque sandwiches with all the fixings! No experience fishing is needed and all equipment will be provided! Come for some or all of the day! No registration necessary! Please see the app closer to the date for the address and directions.

SA 101

Interested in joining St. Andrews or just seeing what we are about? Join us Sat **Mar 1** for our SA 101. Childcare is available, however you must register by today. Registration for the class is open through **Mar 1** and is live on the app! Attending this class is required for membership, however taking this class is not an obligation to join the church. The next SA 101 class will be Fall 2025.

Missions Sunday

Missions Sunday 2025 will take place on **Mar 2**. This year, the event has a student ministry focus. During Bible and Life, our very own Lauren Johnson will represent Young Life of Greater Columbus, and Fred Parks of CrossPointe Church will represent Trail Life Troop GA-1210. For the worship service, RUF Mercer Campus Minister Marlin Harris will serve as guest preacher. You may also spot among us RUF Mercer Campus Assistant Andrew Burckhalter and RUF Auburn Campus Minister Tanner Crum. We also invite you to give special attention and encouragement to RUF Columbus State Campus Minister Tim Grider during this occasion, and to ask afresh how God is moving among our city's university students.

Youth Ministry

Youth Group meets weekly at the Moseley House Sundays beginning at 5:30 and is open to all students 6th grade to 12th grade. *Please contact Vijay Rawal at vijay@standrewscolumbus.org if you have any questions.*

Feb 23—Youth Group @ the Moseley House

Mar 2— Youth Group @ the Moseley House

Children's Church Volunteers

Feb 23—Kaity Stewart, Cam Addison, Julianne Foster, Kate Simmons

Mar 2—Ashley Etchechury, Marie Baum, Bo Blake, Josie Blake, Tony Blake

Mar 9—Amy Rhodes, Kayla Barkhouse, Annely Blake Maxey, Henry Maxey

Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

Expectant Mothers— Emily Peake, Jennifer Corcoran
Sarah Scarborough, Caroline Kennon

St. Andrews Missionaries— 18.26 Network

St. Andrews Ministries— Youth Ministry Team

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

Noah Fahling

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

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 & Ruth (dec.) 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)

Kent State University (Cordelia Phillips)

Appalachian State University (Sophia Barkhouse)

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

Volunteer Youth Leaders—Zach and Chelsey Smith

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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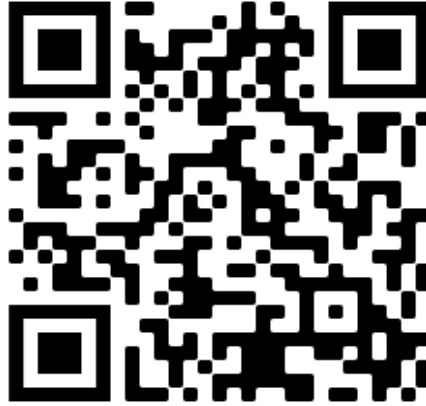
Zack Stewart

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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.

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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