



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

January 23, 2022

— Gathering in God's Presence —

Prelude

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

Ministry Minute: Men's Ministry—Zach Smith

Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-7

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;
 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
For the Lord is a great God,
 and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth;
 the heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it,
 And his hands formed the dry land.
Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
 let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
For he is our God,
 and we are the people of his pasture,
 and the sheep of his hand.

Songs of Ascent

King Of Saints

Jesus Christ, God's Holy Lamb, we will laud Thy lovely name;
We were saved by God's decree, and all our debt was paid by Thee.
Thou has washed us in Thy blood, made us kings and priests to God;
Take this tribute of the poor: less we can't, we can't give more.

Chorus:

*Souls redeemed your voices raise! Sing your dear Redeemer's praise;
Worthy Thou of love and laud, King of Saints, Incarnate God.*

Righteous are Thy ways and true; endless honors are Thy due;
Grace and glory in Thee shine; matchless mercy, love divine.
We for whom Thou once was slain, we Thy ransomed sinner train,
In this one request agree, "Spirit, make us more like Thee." (*Chorus*)

Holy Hands

Not what my hands have done can save my guilty soul;
Not what my toiling flesh has borne can make my spirit whole.
Not what I feel or do can give me peace with God;
Not all my prayers and sighs and tears can bear my awful load.

Chorus:

*These guilty hands are raised, filthy rags are all I bring;
And I have come to hide beneath Your wings.
These holy hands are raised, washed in the fountain of Your grace,
And now I wear Your righteousness.*

Thy work alone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin;
Thy blood alone, O Lamb of God, can give me peace within.
Thy love to me, O God, not mine, O Lord, to Thee
Can rid me of this dark unrest and set my spirit free. (*Chorus*)

Thy grace alone, O God, to me can pardon speak;
Thy power alone, O Lamb of God, can this sore bondage break.
No other work save Thine, no other blood will do,
No strength save that which is divine can bear me safely through. (*Chorus*)

I praise the God of grace, I trust His truth and might;
He calls me His, I call Him mine: my God, my joy, my light.
Tis He who saveth me and freely pardon gives.
I love because He loveth me; I live because He lives. (*Chorus*)

Isaiah 43

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,
And the waves will not overcome you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, You are Mine.

Chorus:

Men: *For I am the Lord your God,*

Women: *I am the Lord your God,*

Men: *I am the Lord your God*

Women: I am

Together: *The Holy One of Israel, Your Saviour!*

(Repeat)

Men: *I am the Lord,*

Women: *Do not fear,*

Men: *I am the Lord,*

Women: *Do not fear.*

(Repeat)

Together, last time only: *I am the Lord.*

When you walk through the fire you'll not be burned,
And the flames will not consume you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, You are Mine.
(Chorus)

Greeting

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

— Offering God Our Praises —

Prayer of Invocation

O Lord, our God, we trust Your promise to be among us as we gather. We come in the name of Christ alone, drawn by Your Spirit, eager to hear Your Word. Fill our hearts with Your Spirit, and help us to worship You in spirit and in truth. We make our prayers in the name of our great Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Song of Praise

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

Oh that day when, freed from sinning, I shall see Thy lovely face;
Clothèd then in blood-washed linen how I'll sing Thy sovereign grace.
Come my Lord, no longer tarry; take my ransomed soul away,
Send Thine angels now to carry me to realms of endless day!

— Baptism —

Charles Ridley Huwe and Madelyn Stewart Drust

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.

Titus 3:4-7: 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.

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 the Parents:

Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?

Do you claim God's covenant promises on his/her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his/her salvation, as you do for your own?

Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him/her a godly example, that you will pray with and for him/her, that you will teach him/her the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring him/her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Vow for the Congregation:

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

Confession of Faith: New City Catechism

Q4: How and why did God create us?

God created us male and female in his own image to know him, love him, live with him, and glorify him. And it is right that we who were created by God should live to his glory.

Corporate Prayers of Confession:

I call on You, O Lord, in my distress, and know that You hear and answer me. Save me, Lord. Draw near and hear, You who alone can forgive sin and who alone can redeem the lost.

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

But 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 — and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus. . . . 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.

Song of Preparation to Hear God's Word

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.

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: James 1: 9-12 (page 950 in the pew Bible)

Let the lowly brother boast in his exaltation, ¹⁰and the rich in his humiliation, because like a flower of the grass he will pass away. ¹¹For the sun rises with its scorching heat and withers the grass; its flower falls, and its beauty perishes. So also will the rich man fade away in the midst of his pursuits.

¹²Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

Sermon—Wes Simmons, Senior Pastor

—— Being Sent Out into God's World ——

Song of Dismissal

Before the Throne of God Above

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, My perfect, spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace!
One with Himself I cannot die, My soul is purchased by His blood!
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ my Savior and my God, With Christ my Savior and my God!

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

Bible and Life

Join us for a special Bible and Life hour after **worship today** as we get to know the new campus minister at RUF Columbus State, Tim Grider.

Missions Conference

Save the date for the upcoming Missions Conference "Becoming Mission Minded" **January 28-30**. The schedule for the weekend is:

Friday night (7-9pm): Dessert reception with speaker Jeff Barkhouse
Children's program with Camp Marannook Staff

Saturday (9-12pm): Opportunity to serve alongside of local ministries
Children's program with Clement Arts about
Foster Care

Sunday: Worship with speaker Mark Bates, Director of Operations, MTW

Children's Ministry

CLUBTIME meets **tonight** from 5:30-7:30 PM. Students should be ready to recite Psalm 119:97. Hope to see you there!

Communicant's Class

A Communicants Class for students in 4th-6th Grade begins **today** and meets weekly on Sunday afternoons from 4:00-5:15pm through February 27.

Men's Ministry

Men's Tuesday Morning Study

Join us for a 6 week study beginning **February 1**, from 8-9am in the Moseley House. We will be focusing on the study and application of scripture passages. The verse for February 1st is Psalm 90:12. Childcare is not provided.

Women's Ministry

Women's Tuesday Morning Study

Join us Tuesday mornings, from 9:30-11am as we go through Sermon on the Mount by Jen Wilken. *Childcare is available.*

Women's Retreat

Save the Date! The women's retreat will be **March 4-6**, 2022 at Callaway Gardens. Find more info and register now on the app!

Moms in Prayer

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

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.*

Jan 23— Youth Group 5:30-7:30 at the Moseley House

Jan 29—Youth Service Day—Highland/Truth Spring—Meet at Moseley House at 11:30

Jan 30—No Youth Group—Missions Weekend

Children's Church Volunteers

Jan 23— Bess Kendrick-Holmes, Alicia Mason, Klein Adams,
Annely Blake Maxey

Jan 30—Diane McGowan, Aracelis Williams, Rebekah Ruth Basie,
Rachel Basie

Feb 6—Amy Rhodes, Cam Addison, Olivia Rhodes, Andie Addison,
Emily Simmons

Church Family Needs

Foster Care Families—Matt & Katherine Maxey; Mitch & Amy Jaeger
St. Andrews Missionaries— Truth Spring Academy
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 recovering from surgeries, accidents, cancer treatments and other illnesses:

*Delaney Trimble—Susan Clickner — Addie Jackson — Don Foster—
Bill Douglas— Clint Early (Dorothy Bryant's brother) —
Charles Kendrick-Holmes—Georgette Milner*

Missionaries and Ministries Supported by St. Andrews

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 (Minister Selection Underway)

Valdosta State University (John Gordy)

Louisiana State University (Joshua Johnston)

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 (Rev. Van Ellison)

Young Life Greater Columbus, GA (Lauren Johnson)

Atlanta, GA (Slate & Lindsay Fluker)

St. Andrews Staff

Senior Pastor—Wes Simmons

Pastor Emeritus —Bill Douglas

Assistant Pastor/Director of Youth—Grant Gilliam

Assistant Pastor—Jeff Barkhouse

Director of Children—Bess Kendrick-Holmes

Director of Ministries—Amy Jaeger

Director of Communications & Administration—Margaret Taunton

Nursery Coordinator—Juli Pope

Church Administrator—Jennifer Schoonover

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WELCOME VISITORS

Please fill this out and drop it in the offering box.

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.

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.

Thanks for visiting with us today.