

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

May 3, 2026

## — 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.*

### Ministry Minute: Graduation Sunday—Vijay Rawal

### Call to Worship: Taken from Psalm 150

Praise the Lord!

Praise God in his sanctuary;  
**praise him in his mighty heavens!**

Praise him for his mighty deeds;  
**praise him according to his excellent greatness!**

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

**Praise the Lord!**

# — 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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*Alleluia! Amen!*

# Tender Mercy

Hear my cry for mercy as I call to You,  
As I lift my hands in Spirit and in Truth:

Chorus:

**Men:** We cry mercy

**Women:** In the name of the Father most Holy,

**Men:** We cry mercy

**Women:** In the name of the Son Who was slain,

**Men:** Lord have mercy

**Women:** In the name of the Spirit indwelling,

**Together:** Tender mercy Lord!

**Men:** You are mercy

**Women:** In the name of the Father most Holy,

**Men:** You are mercy

**Women:** In the name of the Son Who was slain,

**Men:** Lord have mercy

**Women:** In the name of the Spirit indwelling,

**Together:** Tender mercy Lord!

(Repeat last line of chorus after second verse.)

In Your tender mercy brought by grace through faith,  
I will lift my heart toward Your most Holy place:

(Chorus)

## **For All the Saints**

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,  
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed. Alleluia, Allelu.

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might;  
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light. Alleluia, Allelu.

O may Thy soldiers faithful, true and bold,  
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,  
And win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia, Allelu.

The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blessed. Alleluia, Allelu.

But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day;  
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
The King of glory passes on his way, Alleluia, Allelu.

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, Alleluia!

## **Greeting**

To those who are *called, beloved* in God the Father and *kept* for Jesus Christ: May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

## **Prayer of Invocation**

Heavenly Father, You are gracious and compassionate, abounding in love and mercy. Remember Your promises and come among us today as we gather to worship You. We come with thanksgiving in our hearts for Your many graces to us. You have given us Your Word, which is truth itself. You have done all that is necessary for our salvation. You have set Your Spirit in our hearts, so that we are equipped for the work You call us to do. We offer praise to You, this morning. We worship You in joyful anticipation of Your return, and we offer our lives to You, for the glory of your name. We pray in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

## **Old Testament and New Testament Readings**

Old Testament: Psalm 84:1-12

New Testament: Mark 14:3-9

# Song of Praise

## Jesus I My Cross Have Taken

Jesus, I my cross have taken all to leave and follow Thee.  
Destitute, despised, forsaken, Thou from hence my all shall be.  
Perish every fond ambition, all I've sought or hoped or known.  
Yet how rich is my condition! God and heaven are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my Savior, too.  
Human hearts and looks deceive me; Thou art not, like them, untrue.  
O while Thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love, and might,  
Foes may hate and friends disown me, show Thy face and all is bright.

Man may trouble and distress me, 'twill but drive me to Thy breast.  
Life with trials hard may press me; Heav'n will bring me sweeter rest.  
Oh, 'tis not in grief to harm me while Thy love is left to me;  
Oh, 'twere not in joy to charm me, were that joy unmixed with Thee.

Soul, then take thy full salvation, rise o'er sin and fear and care,  
Joy to find in every station, something still to do or bear.  
Think what Spirit dwells within thee, think what Father's smiles are thine,  
Think that Jesus died to win thee, child of heav'n, canst thou repine.

Haste thee on from grace to glory, armed by faith, and winged by prayer.  
Heav'n's eternal days before thee, God's own hand shall guide us there.  
Soon shall close thy earthly mission, soon shall pass thy pilgrim days,  
Hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

# **Confession of Faith - taken from The New City Catechism**

*So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. Genesis 1:27*

Question 4. 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:**

**Our great Redeemer and only hope, you do not deal with us according to our sins, nor do You hold our sins against us.**

**So we come freely confessing that we have at times 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: Taken from 1 Peter 2**

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

## **Song of Assurance**

### **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.

## **Silent Prayers of Intercession: Concerns on Your Heart, Friends, Family & Neighbors**

## **Prayer for Illumination (for the preaching and hearing of God's Word), 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: Matthew 7:21-23**

**Sermon — Wes Simmons, Senior Pastor**

**Notes:**

# — Being Sent Out into God's World —

## **Song of Dismissal**

### **My Jesus, I Love Thee**

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.

## **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 Hour**

Bible and Life meets on Sunday Morning at 9:30am.

Youth Bible & Life meets in the Moseley House.

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## **Women's Ministry**

### **Early Morning Bible Study**

Join us for an early morning Bible Study on Thursdays 6-7:00am! See more info on the app.

### **Women's Prayer Ministry**

The Women's Prayer Ministry meets Mondays at 9:30am.

### **Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study: Caregivers Study**

Join us for morning Bible Study on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 @ St. Andrews.

### **Women's Mother-Daughter Tea**

All ladies and girls of all ages are invited to the Mother-Daughter Tea this afternoon from **Noon-2:00** in the Moseley House.

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## **Children's Ministry**

### **Rooted**

Rooted, our children's discipleship program, meets next on **May 17** from 5:30-7:30pm.

### **Vacation Bible School**

Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2026 coming **June 8-12!** If interested in volunteering please see Marie Baum, Children's Director or Anna Rodeheaver, VBS Director. We need all sorts of volunteers. If you have the time, we can use you!

Children's VBS registration is open now. Register today!

### **Children's Church Volunteers**

Ever wondered if teaching Children's Bible & Life was for you? Now is your opportunity to try it out on a short term basis to see! We are looking for teachers for Bible & Life for the month of June. Contact Marie Baum, Children's Director for details.

# — Announcements —

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## Men's Ministry

### Men's Bible Study

Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study is on a *two week break and resume on **May 5***.  
Men's Bible study meets from 8-9:00am at St. Andrews.

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## Bible Reading Plan for 2026

For 2026 and 2027, we will be reading through the Bible as a Church Family! Look on the app for "Bible Reading Plan 2026" to see the plan.

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## Merry May: Foster Care Awareness Month

Merry May is our church's opportunity to encourage and celebrate Foster, Adoptive, and Kinship Families in our city. Give a gift of a summer experience! See the App for more information and a link to give to support the work of Clement Arts.

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## Congregational Meeting

There will be a congregational meeting **during the Bible and Life hour on May 17**. The purpose of the meeting is to elect Officers (Deacons and Elders) and for the Emergency Response team to present Risk Assessment Findings. Nursery will be provided. Families with children in Pre-K 4 and up: Please keep your children with you in the sanctuary for the first part of the meeting so that our Bible & Life teachers may vote. Children will then be dismissed to a group Bible & Life session.

## 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](mailto:vijay@standrewscolumbus.org) if you have any questions.*

**May 3**— Youth Group @ Moseley House

**May 10**— No Youth Group

## Children's Church Volunteers

**May 3**—Heather O'Shields, Kaity Stewart, Leah Rodeheaver, Abigail Rodeheaver, Rebekah Rodeheaver

**May 10**—Sara Barkhouse, Matt Maxey, Rosalie Whitten, Caleb Schuster

**May 17**—Amy Rhodes, Kayla Barkhouse, Kate Simmons, Henry Maxey  
Caleb Schuster

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## Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

**Expectant Mothers**— Kayla Barkhouse,

**St. Andrews Missionaries**— Reformed University Fellowship

**St. Andrews Ministries**— Session

**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—Libby Dahlin*

## 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](mailto: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.

## 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)

## **St. Andrews Missionaries and Ministries**



## **Nursery and Young Children Information**



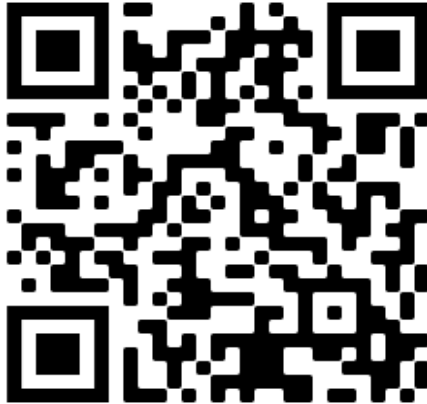
## **Staff and Leadership**



# 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.*



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## **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.

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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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**Thanks for visiting with us today.**

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