



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

September 17, 2023
Communion Sunday

—— Gathering in God's Presence ——

Prelude

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

Call to Worship: Taken from 1 Chronicles 16

Sing to the Lord, all the earth!
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,
and he is to be feared above all gods.

**Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and joy are in his place.**

Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name!

— Offering God Our Praises —

Songs of Ascent

O The Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus!

Oh 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 Your love,
Leading onward, leading homeward to Your glorious rest above.

Chorus:

*Oh the deep, deep love, all I need and trust
Is the deep, deep love of Jesus.*

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread His praise from shore to shore,
How He came to pay our ransom through the saving cross He bore;
How He watches o'er His loved ones, those He died to make His own;
How for them He's interceding, pleading now before the throne.

(Chorus)

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, far surpassing all the rest.
It's an ocean full of blessing in the midst of every test.
Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, mighty Savior, precious Friend
You will bring us home to glory where Your love will never end.

(Chorus)

I Will Glory In My Redeemer

I will glory in my Redeemer,
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails,
And hung Him on that judgment tree.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
Who crushed the power of sin and death.
My only Savior before the holy Judge:
The Lamb who is my righteousness,
The Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer.
My life He bought, my love He owns.
I have no longings for another,
I'm satisfied in Him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
His faithfulness my standing place.
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me,
My feet are firm, held by His grace,
My feet are firm, held by His grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer,
Who carries me on eagles' wings.
He crowns my life with lovingkindness,
His triumph song I'll ever sing.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
Who waits for me at gates of gold.
And when He calls me, it will be paradise,
His face forever to behold,
His face forever to behold.

Greeting

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Nothing But the Blood

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
what can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

(Chorus)

*O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;
no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

For my cleansing this I see — nothing but the blood of Jesus;
for my pardon this my plea — nothing but the blood of Jesus.

(Chorus)

Nothing can for sin atone — nothing but the blood of Jesus;
naught of good that I have done — nothing but the blood of Jesus.

(Chorus)

This is all my hope and peace — nothing but the blood of Jesus;
this is all my righteousness — nothing but the blood of Jesus.

(Chorus)

Corporate Prayers of Confession:

Our Great God of highest heaven, come and occupy the hearts of your children, gathered before you today. Own us fully and completely, reign supreme in our hearts, and conquer every impulse of sin and rebellion in us.

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

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace: Psalm 103:10-13

He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

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: Romans 8:15-30 (page 888 in the pew Bible)

Sermon — Wes Simmons, Senior Pastor

Notes:

— Communing at the Lord's Table —

Confessing what we believe, using The Apostle's Creed:

I believe in God the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.¹
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,²
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

¹*Died a true death.*

²*The Church Universal.*

Song of Preparation

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God:
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down:
did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

The Great 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!**

It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise & magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and *singing*:

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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 - and to move towards repentance and faith, in Jesus.

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 the Elements and Taking the Sacrament Together

(After coming forward and receiving your elements, please hold them, so we can all take them together.)

Closing Prayer

—— Being Sent Out into God's World ——

Song of Celebration

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

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 meets before worship from 9:30—10:15am.

Adults—Room 101: 1 Samuel, Room 103: Evangelism.

Children—Room 110: PreK, Room 111: 1st-2nd grade, Room 100: 3rd & 4th grade, Room 108: 5th & 6th grade

Youth—Moseley House

Children's Ministry

Children's Discipleship

Join us for **Rooted**, a Children's Discipleship program! We will meet next, **Sept. 24**. Please view the app for more details and the full list of dates/time.

Women's Ministry

Women's Fall Study

The Women's Tuesday Morning Study meets at **9:30am—11:00am** in Room 101/102. We'll be going through 1 Corinthians.

Women's Early Morning Fall Bible Study

In addition to our Tuesday Morning Study, we will also offer an early morning option for those who are interested. Liz Brooks will also be teaching through 1 Corinthians. Join us on **Thursdays** in the Moseley House from **6:00-7:00am**.

Fall Kickoff Luncheon

Join the Women's Ministry on **today** as we kick-off our fall happenings with a luncheon after worship in the Moseley House

Cookbook

We would love to have your tried & true recipes for a Church Cookbook! The Women's Ministry is hoping to put one together as our Spring 2024 project. Please submit your recipes by **Oct. 15**, either via email or by filling out a recipe card at the station by the church office.

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.*

Sept 17—Youth Group 5:30-7:00 @ Moseley House

Sept 24— Youth Group 5:30-7:00 @ Moseley House

Sept 30— Youth White Water Rafting

Children's Church Volunteers

Sep 17—Linda Bennett, Julie Eggleston, Emily Simmons, Kate Simmons

Sept 24—Bridgette Blake, Jennifer Corcoran, Bethany Adams, Klein Adams

Oct 1—Cam Addison, Lulu Highley, Leah Rodeheaver, Abigail Rodeheaver, Rebekah Rodeheaver

Congratulations to Jacob & Margaret Taunton on the birth of their son, Henry David “Hank” — born on September 13!

Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

Expectant Mothers— Caitlin Ballard

Foster Care Families— Matt & Katherine Maxey; Mitch & Amy Jaeger, Daniel & Jenny Hord

St. Andrews Missionaries— Pioneers

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 — Charles Kendrick-Holmes —
Tom Appleby (Sarah Zevac's father) — Louann Buck —
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

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 (Tim Grider)

Valdosta State University (John Gordy)

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 (Amanda Taylor)

Truth Spring Academy (Carrie Strickland)

Valley Rescue Mission (Vann Ellison)

Young Life Greater Columbus, GA (Lauren Johnson)

St. Andrews Staff

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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 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 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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