



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

March 13, 2021

— Gathering in God's Presence —

Prelude

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

Call to Worship: Zechariah 9:17

“For how great is his goodness, and how great his beauty!”

Songs of Ascent

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, O weary one lay down, Your head upon My breast.”
I came to Jesus as I was, weary, worn and sad;
I found in Him my resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Behold I freely give
The living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink, and live.”
I came to Jesus, and I drank from that life-giving stream
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, “I am this dark world's light;
Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy days be bright.”
I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk 'til pilgrim days are done.

Jesus! What A Friend For Sinners

Jesus, what a Friend for sinners!
Jesus, Lover of my Soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me,
He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Jesus, what a Strength in weakness!
Let me hide myself in Him.
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,
He, my Strength, my victory wins.

Chorus:

*Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Hallelujah, what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.
Oh Jesus, what a Friend!*

Jesus, what a Help in sorrow!
While the billows over me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking,
He, my Comfort, helps my soul.

Jesus, what a Guide and Keeper!
While the tempest still is high,
Storms about me, night o'ertakes me,
He, my Pilot, hears my cry.
(Chorus)

Jesus! I do now receive Him,
More than all in Him I find.
He hath granted me forgiveness,
I am His, and He is mine.
(Chorus)

Oh Jesus, what a Friend! Oh Jesus, what a Friend!
Oh Jesus, what a Friend!

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*)

Greeting

Grace and Peace to you from God and Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!
According to His great mercy, He has made us alive, to a living hope, through
the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

*(Before you're seated, please take a minute and greet one another.
Find a few people you haven't met and introduce yourself.)*

— Offering God Our Praises —

Prayer of Invocation

O Lord, draw near to us and raise us to newness of life. We ask that You would be pleased to dwell in our praises, this morning. We ask that the Holy Spirit would come upon us to show us the *beauty* and *worthiness* of Jesus, who was crucified for sinners. Hear our prayers, because we do not pray in our own name, but in the name of the Lamb of God, Jesus, who takes away the sin of the world. Amen.

Song of Praise

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.

— Joining the Community of God's People —

Receiving of New Members

**Mei Hord, Pearson Kelly, Gil Townes, Lacey Townes,
Johnathan Johnson, Autumn Johnson, Leroy Ward, Emily Ward,
John Simpson, Mary Simpson, Donald Kerr**

Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope except in His sovereign mercy?

Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation, as He is offered in the Gospel?

Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?

Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?

Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study (pursue) its purity and peace?

Baptism- Mei Hord, Donald Kerr

What we believe about Baptism: Taken from the New City Catechism:

Q: 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.

Q: 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:

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

Confession of Faith: New City Catechism

Q. 11 What does God require in the sixth, seventh, and eighth commandments?

Sixth, that we do not hurt, or hate, or be hostile to our neighbor, but be patient and peaceful, pursuing even our enemies with love. Seventh, that we abstain from sexual immorality and live purely and faithfully, whether in marriage or in single life, avoiding all impure actions, looks, words, thoughts, or desires, and whatever might lead to them. Eighth, that we do not take without permission that which belongs to someone else, nor withhold any good from someone we might benefit.

Corporate Prayers of Confession: Taken from Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?
But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

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.

Song of Assurance

The Lord is My Salvation

The grace of God has reached for me,
And pulled me from the raging sea.
And I am safe on this solid ground:
The Lord is my salvation.

I will not fear when darkness falls,
His strength will help me scale these walls.
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun:
The Lord is my salvation.

Chorus:

*Who is like the Lord our God?
Strong to save, faithful in love.
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won:
The Lord is my salvation.*

My hope is hidden in the Lord.
He flow'rs each promise of His Word.
When winter fades I know spring will come:
The Lord is my salvation.

In times of waiting, times of need,
When I know loss, when I am weak.
I know His grace will renew these days:
The Lord is my salvation.

(Chorus)

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 2:20-26 (page 951 in pew Bible)

Do you want to be shown, you foolish person, that faith apart from works is useless? ²¹ Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered up his son Isaac on the altar? ²² You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works; ²³ and the Scripture was fulfilled that says, “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness”—and he was called a friend of God. ²⁴ You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone. ²⁵ And in the same way was not also Rahab the prostitute justified by works when she received the messengers and sent them out by another way? ²⁶ For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead.

Sermon—Wes Simmons, Senior Pastor

—— Being Sent Out into God's World ——

Song of Dismissal

The Lord is My Salvation

And when I reach my final day,
He will not leave me in the grave.
But I will rise, He will call me home:
The Lord is my salvation.

(Chorus)

*Who is like the Lord our God?
Strong to save, faithful in love.
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won:
The Lord is my salvation.*

Glory be to God, the Father,
Glory be to God, the Son,
Glory be to God, the Spirit;
The Lord is our salvation.

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

There is no Bible and Life classes today. Please join us for a brunch immediately following the worship service.

Children's Ministry

CLUBTIME meets next on **March 20**. Students should be working on Lesson 5 in the new devotional booklets, Psalm 119:101-102. Please see Bess for your student's book.

Save the Date! VBS 2022: Campfire Kids will be **June 13-17**. Registration information coming soon!

Men's Ministry

Father/Son Campout

Join us! Friday, **March 18**, the men's ministry will be hosting a Father/Son Campout! Check the app for all the details.

Men's morning study will resume **March 29**. Check the app for the scripture verse.

Women's Ministry

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

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

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.*

Mar 13— Youth Group, Moseley House

Mar 19—Girls Night

Mar 20—Youth Group 5:30-7:30, Moseley House

Children's Church Volunteers

Mar 13—Marie Baum, Katie Edmonson, Bradley Brooks, Lucy Brooks

Mar 20—Juli Pope, Cheryl Smith, Olivia O'Shields and Grace Johnson

Mar 27— Bess Kendrick-Holmes, Alicia Mason, Kayla Dodds,
Annely Blake Maxey

Church Family Needs

Expectant Mothers— Traci Howell

Foster Care Families—Matt & Katherine Maxey; Mitch & Amy Jaeger

St. Andrews Missionaries— International Friendship Ministries

St Andrews Ministries— Missions 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 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

Missionaries and Ministries Supported by St. Andrews

Cru — Albina & Doni Mehmeti (Kosovo)

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 (Vann Ellison)

Young Life Greater Columbus, GA (Lauren Johnson)

Atlanta, GA (Slate & Lindsay Fluker)

St. Andrews Staff

Senior Pastor—Wes Simmons

Associate Pastor—Bill Douglas

Assistant Pastor and Director of Youth—Grant Gilliam

Assistant Pastor—Jeff Barkhouse

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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.*



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.

