

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

October 5, 2025

# —— 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.

Missions Minute—Anna McLendon, 18.26 Network (Japan) and Prayers for Missions Team going to Japan

# Call to Worship: Adapted from Luke 1:46-55

My soul proclaims the goodness of the Lord;
My spirit rejoices in God my Savior.
He has looked with favor upon me.
He never forgets the promises He has made.
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
Bless His holy name.

# —— Offering God Our Praises ——

# Songs of Ascent

### All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King Lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia! Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam, Thou silver moon with softer gleam!

#### Refrain:

O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong Ye clouds that sail in Heaven along, O praise Him! Alleluia! Thou rising moon, in praise rejoice, Ye lights of evening, find a voice! (Refrain)

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for thy Lord to hear,
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou fire so masterful and bright,
That givest man both warmth and light.
(Refrain)

And all ye men of tender heart,
Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye! Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and on Him cast your care!
(Refrain)

Let all things their Creator bless, And worship Him in humbleness, O praise Him! Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, And praise the Spirit, Three in One! (Refrain)

### Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone. What is our only confidence? That our souls to him belong. Who holds our days within his hand? What comes apart from his command? And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.

#### Chorus:

O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal; O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good. God is good. Where is his grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's blood. Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the stormy trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh Unto the shore, the rock of Christ. (Chorus)

Unto the grave what shall we sing? "Christ he lives, Christ he lives!" And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with him. There we will rise to meet the Lord, Then sin and death will be destroyed. And we will feast in endless joy When Christ is ours forever more. (Chorus)

# 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**

Almighty God, we pray for your blessing on the church in this place. Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened. Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged. Here may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful comfort. Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed. Here may the aged find consolation and the young be inspired; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Song of Praise

### Complete In Thee

Complete in Thee, no work of mine could take, dear Lord the place of Thine. Thy blood hath pardon bought for me, and I shall stand complete in Thee.

Complete in Thee, each want supplied, and no good thing to me denied, Since Thou my portion, Lord, will be, I ask no more, complete in Thee!

#### Chorus:

Yea, justified! O blessed thought! And sanctified! Salvation wrought! Thy blood hath pardon bought for me, And glorified, I, too, shall be!

Complete in Thee, no more shall sin, Thy grace has conquered, reign within; Thy blood shall bid the tempter flee, and I shall stand, complete in Thee! *(Chorus)* 

Dear Saviour! When before Thy bar all tribes and tongues assembled are, Among Thy chosen will I be, at Thy right hand, complete in Thee! *(Chorus)* 

# Confession of Faith - taken from The New City Catechism

I found it necessary to write appealing to you to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints.

Jude 3

Question 31: What do we believe by true faith?

Everything taught to us in the gospel. The Apostles' Creed expresses what we believe in these words: We believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. 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. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

# **Corporate Prayers of Confession:**

Eternal God, we confess that:

we have not done your will;

we have broken your law;

we have rebelled against your love;

we have not loved our neighbors or each other.

Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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

# **Silent Prayers of Confession**

# Assurance of Pardoning Grace: Isaiah 12:2-3

Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The LORD, the LORD himself, is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation. With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

# Song of Assurance

### How Firm A Foundation

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He hath said, You, who unto Jesus for refuge have fled?

Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, For I am thy God and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie, My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply; The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

# Prayers of Intercession: Yourself and Concerns on Your Heart

# 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: Philippians 3:1-11 (page 922 in the pew Bible)

Sermon — Vijay Rawal, Youth Director

Notes:

# ---- Being Sent Out into God's World -----

# Song of Dismissal

# 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!

Go in His Peace!

### —— Announcements ——

#### Bible and Life

Bible and Life meets Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:15am.

### Women's Ministry

#### Early Morning Bible Study

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

#### Women's Prayer Ministry

The Women's Prayer Ministry meets Mondays at 9:30am. We will be meeting off site for the next few weeks, please see the app for more info.

#### Women's Fall Bible Study

The Women's Fall Bible study meets on Tuesday mornings at 9:30, in Room 111/112. We will be using Lydia Brownback's book "Habakkuk: Learning to Live By Faith". The study booklets are available to purchase for \$10 in the office. Childcare is provided for children ages 4 and under.

#### Officer Nominations

Nominations are being accepted through the end of October. Please see the app for the nomination form and additional information. If you have any additional questions that are not answered on the app, please email the office.

### **Mission Trip**

We are excited about a mission trip to Japan **Oct 14-24** to support two missionaries! If you are interested in learning more about supporting the Church in Japan, please contact Jackie Horne at 706-442-3822 for more details.

### Men's Ministry

#### Men's Bible Study

Men's Tuesday morning Bible Study meets from 8-9:00am.

### Children's Ministry

Rooted meets next tonight from 5:30-7:30pm.

### —— Announcements ——

#### Fall Festival

Fall Festival will be **Oct. 26** from 4:30-6:00pm! We are collecting candy donations in the Narthex. If you are interested in volunteering please sign up on the app!

### **Church-Wide Workday**

Join the Deacons on Saturday **Oct 25** (8:00am-12:00pm)as we tackle some projects around the church building.

### Information Update

We are updating our church database and directory, and need *EVERYONE* to fill out the update form. Please click on the tab in the App for the link. We want ALL people of St. Andrews, both Members and Regular Visitors, to complete the form!

### Youth Ministry

Please pray for Vijay and our Youth as they head to Fall Camp **Oct 17-19**. If you or your small group are interested in supporting fall camp by helping to provide food please contact Vijay. Parents, please register your youth on the app ASAP!

#### Change in Schedule

There will be a Game Night at the Moseley House **tonight** from 5:30-7:30pm. This is a change in schedule as Youth Group was previously not scheduled for this night!

# Looking for opportunities to use your gifts at St. Andrews? Click the QR code for details

Want to Serve?



#### **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 if you have any questions.* 

Oct 5—Game Night @ Moseley House (change in schedule)
Oct 12—Youth Group @ Moseley House

Fall Camp—Oct 17-19

### **Small Groups**

Interested in joining a small group? Do you have questions about small groups? Contact Wayne Logan at (606) 521-9470 or <a href="mailto:wayne@standrewscolumbus.org">wayne@standrewscolumbus.org</a>.

#### Children's Church Volunteers

Oct 5— Kaity Stewart, Claire Sproul, Bradley Brooks, Lucy Broks

Oct 12—Sarah Barkhouse, Katherine Fahling, Klein Adams, Clara Adams

Oct 19—Amy Rhodes, Kayla Barkhouse, Josie Blake, Tony Blake

### Church Family Needs & Weekly Prayers

Expectant Mothers—Katherine Fahling

St. Andrews Missionaries—Clement Arts

St. Andrews Ministries— Worship 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

#### **Prayer Requests**

If you have a prayer request or would appreciate a meal, and are not in a small group, please email <a href="mailto:sapc.womensministry@gmail.com">sapc.womensministry@gmail.com</a>

# 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 O-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!

### 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 to North America (MNA) Chaplain Ministries (Michael Stewart)

Mission to the World (MTW)

Pete 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, Kenyatta Ward)

Kent State University (Cordelia Wilson)

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 <a href="mailto:office@standrewscolumbus.com">office@standrewscolumbus.com</a>. 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
Director of Christian Education—Wayne Logan
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

#### Elders of St. Andrews

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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 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 to our email list without your permission.	you
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.	

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