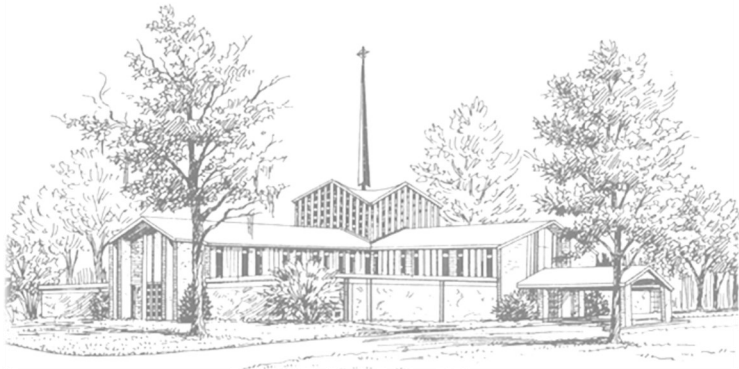


# ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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October 30, 2022

10:30AM

WELCOME! What a delight that you are here! We hope you will experience the love of Jesus and the joy of community in this time of worship. If we can be of help to you, please let us know. We would love to assist you in finding ways to get involved and grow in your faith.

## CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Please note that all text in **bold** is spoken in unison.

† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

**PRAYER OF PREPARATION** (You are invited to pray this prayer in silence.)

Gracious and just God, we give thanks that You have gathered us into Your Church and graced us with Your faithful presence. We ponder our history, ancient and still developing, and marvel at Your faithfulness. Grant us the vision to be a part of a new reformation for the Church that will bring more joy and justice to the world so that Your faithful people may be one in You. Amen.

### PRELUDE

### LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

#### † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come into God's presence with gladness!

**All: The Spirit brings light into darkness, hope to our sadness, joy to our mourning.**

One: Come into God's presence with singing!

**All: Christ's love brings faith to our doubt, promise to our uncertainty.**

One: Come into God's presence with joy!

**All: We come, seeking God's new way of life.**

#### † HYMN 316

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

TRENTHAM

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew,  
That I may love what Thou dost love, And do what Thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Until my heart is pure,  
Until with Thee I will one will, To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am wholly Thine,  
Until this earthly part of me Glows with Thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I never die,  
But live with Thee the perfect life Of Thine eternity.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and holy God, we confess we want to be a church ever-reforming, and yet we cling to comfortable ways. We pray for ourselves and Your Church throughout the world. Fill us with a spirit of openness to Your Spirit, to hear and receive Your promises, and to keep our covenant with You. Where we are corrupt, purify us. Where we are in error, direct us. Where we are in need, provide for us. Where we are divided, reunite us. And where we are close-minded, reform us and make us new.

† ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Friends, let us celebrate the mercy of God.  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

† PASSING OF THE PEACE The peace of Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

TIME FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

*Speak, O Lord*

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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 power that can never fail; Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us:  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time That will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises; By faith we'll walk as You walk with us.  
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built, And the earth is filled with Your glory.  
Amen, amen, amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 20:19-29

Pew Bible p. 933

SERMON

Questioning

† STF 2137

*Would I Have Answered When You Called?*

KINGSFOLD

Would I have answered when You called, "Come, follow, follow me!"?  
Would I at once have left behind both work and family?  
Or would the old, familiar round have held me by its claim  
And kept the spark within my heart from bursting into flame?

Would I have followed where You led through ancient Galilee,  
On roads unknown, by ways untried, beyond security?  
Or would I soon have hurried back where home and comfort drew,  
Where truth You taught would not disturb the ordered world I knew?

Would I have matched my step with Yours when crowds cried, "Crucify!",  
When on a rocky hill I saw a cross against the sky?  
Or would I too have slipped away and left You there alone,  
A dying king with crown of thorns upon a terrible throne?

O Christ, I cannot search my heart through all its tangled ways,  
Nor can I with a certain mind my steadfastness appraise.  
I only pray that when You call, "Come, follow, follow me!"  
You'll give me strength beyond my own to follow faithfully.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

[GIVE ONLINE](#)

#### † HYMN 592

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

#### † PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### † STF 2147

*Yes, God Is Real*

GOD IS REAL

There are some things I may not know,  
There are some places I can't go,  
But I am sure of this one thing,  
That God is real for I can feel God deep within.

Chorus: Yes, God is real, real in my soul;  
Yes, God is real for God has washed and made me whole;  
God's love for me is like pure gold,  
Yes God is real for I can feel God in my soul.

Some folks may doubt, some folks may scorn,  
All can desert and leave me alone,  
But as for me I'll take God's part,  
For God is real and I can feel God in my heart. (Chorus)

I cannot tell just how you felt  
When Jesus took your sins away,  
But since that day, yes, since that hour,  
God has been real for I can feel God's holy power. (Chorus)

#### † BENEDICTION

#### † SENDING SONG STF 2206

*Without Seeing You*

WE BELIEVE

Without seeing You, we love You;  
Without touching You, we embrace;  
Without knowing You, we follow;  
Without seeing You, we believe.

#### POSTLUDE

Masks and hand sanitizers are available at the entrances for everyone's comfort and convenience.

## ST. ANDREW'S CALENDAR

Please use the **CONNECT** cards in the pews to let us know about areas of interest, prayer requests, and volunteer opportunities. If you are a **VISITOR**, please include your address, phone number, email, and other information that will help us get to know you better. Completed cards can be placed in the offering baskets.

The **NURSERY** is located near the sanctuary and is available for children ages 0-4 during worship. **CHILDREN'S BULLETINS** and **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS, BIBLES, AND HYMNALS** are available on the sanctuary tables.

**IT'S FINALLY HERE!** You can pick up your new church directories after the service today or in the church office during business hours. Thanks to everyone who submitted updated member profiles and photos!

There will be an informational meeting on October 30 at 4:00PM in the Youth Center for 8th-12th grade students and parents interested in attending **CONFIRMATION CLASS IN 2023**. This meeting does not commit you to attend the class, but it is an opportunity to discuss the purpose and expectations of the confirmation process. We hope to see you there!

In appreciation of all that they do for our church family, SAPC volunteers and their families are invited to a **SOUP SUPPER SOCIAL** on November 6 beginning at 5:00PM at Pastor Tara's house. Please call the church office to RSVP by November 3.



**MEMBERS:** Mary Pat Linn, Don Shaver, Kay McIlrath, Mike Dove, Eleanor Alexander, Bob Fisher, Shelley Plunkett, Barbara and Dalton Abel, Bill McIlrath, Kay Long, Joyce Head, Dave Darchuk

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY:** Gladys Allen, Family of John Plunkett, Cindy Anglind, Robert and Joyce Thompson, Nick Bynum, Cathy Thayer, Evelyn Sibley Jameson, Jerry Linn, Thomas Fisher, Rachel Lawrence, Jill Botkin, Jack Dillard, Tina and Bob Workman, Paul Harborth, Janie Niederstadt Verderame, Esmee Foster, Erin Lenhart, Mary Kennedy

### Sunday, October 30, 2022

#### REFORMATION SUNDAY

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:30AM Meet and Greet
- 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts
- 4:00PM Confirmation Info
- 5:00PM Youth Group

### Monday, October 31, 2022

- 10:00AM Monday Group
- 5:30PM Strings After School
- 6:30PM La Hacienda
- 6:30PM There's a Solution

### Tuesday, November 1, 2022

- 10:00AM Staff Meeting
- 10:00AM PW Coordinating
- 4:30PM Fellowship Team
- 5:15PM Strings After School
- 6:30PM CE Team

### Wednesday, November 2, 2022

- 8:15AM Soup Kitchen
- 9:30AM Dayschool Chapel
- 5:30PM Handbells
- 6:30PM Evangelism and Mission

### Thursday, November 3, 2022

- 8:30AM MOW Cooks
- 10:00AM MOW Delivers
- 10:00AM Prayer Team
- 6:00PM GTHE Rehearsal

### Friday, November 4, 2022

- 6:30PM There's a Solution

### Sunday, November 6, 2022

#### ALL SAINTS OBSERVANCE

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:30AM Meet and Greet
- 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts
- 5:00PM Youth Group
- 5:00PM Soup Supper

### CHURCH STAFF

Tara Thompson, Pastor  
Melissa Hoyt, Office Administrator  
Deanna Weitzel, Day School Director  
Thomas Furlow, Music Director  
Rachel Clark, Admin Assistant/Pianist

Office: Monday -Thursday  
8:30AM - 4:30PM