

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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

† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

November 26, 2023

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.

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

Gracious God, may our words and actions bring credit to Your name and joy to Your heart. May all that we do bear fruit for Your kingdom, and may we come to know and love You more each day. Amen.

PRELUDE

We Gather Together

KREMSER

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

based on Psalm 25

One: We lift up our souls to You, Holy God.

Many: We trust You, Lord, with our past, present, and future.

One: Teach us, Lord, that we may know Your ways.

Many: Guide our every move, Holy One,

One: That we may walk in Your paths of love and mercy.

Many: Let us worship the One who leads us in what is right.

All: Together, let us worship God!

† **HYMN 485**

To God Be the Glory

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To God be the glory, great things He hath done! So loved He the world that He gave us His son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin, and opened the life gate that all may go in.

Chorus: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His Voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory, great things He hath done!

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done, and Great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be, our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy One, we long to be faithful stewards of Your abundant grace; to serve each other in love and humility; to serve Your world with wisdom and energy. Forgive us when we stumble over pride, when our words and actions are not guided by love. Turn our hearts when we act in folly. Restore our energy when it is gone.

† ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

In Jesus, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God! Amen!

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

A Song of Thanksgiving

Allen Pote

Sing to the Lord, sing a song of thanksgiving. Sing to the Lord, sing a song of praise.
For all good gifts that come from God, Sing to the Lord, sing a song of praise.

Bless the Lord, bless His holy name, alleluia. Bless the Lord, bless His holy name, alleluia!
For God's great gifts of love and grace. O sing to the Lord, bless His holy name,
Sing to the Lord, give thanks and sing a joyful song of praise!

With grateful hearts we come today to offer thanks and praise,
For countless blessings we receive, revealed in many ways.
For loving care that never ends, for wonders new and old,
For knowing God is always near to see our lives unfold.

For friends and family through the years, for saints that we have known,
Whose faith inspires and helps us know that we are not alone.
Our gratitude is far beyond what we can do or say,
For God is great and God is good, our ever present strength and stay.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Colossians 1:3-14

Pew Bible p. 1015
Large Print p. 1789-1790

SERMON

EFT

Julie Odle, CRE

† HYMN STF 2087

We Will Glorify the King of Kings

WE WILL GLORIFY

We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb;
We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty, we will bow before His throne;
We will worship Him in righteousness, we will worship Him alone.

He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth, He is Lord of all who live;
He is Lord above the universe, all praise to Him we give.

Hallelujah to the King of kings, hallelujah to the Lamb;
Hallelujah to the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

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

DOXOLOGY

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

† HYMN 555

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way,
With countless gifts of love, and still is our today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and next.

All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
To Father and to Son and Spirit now be given.
The one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
The God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG

May You Run and Not Be Weary

PRINCE OF PEACE

May you run and not be weary. May your heart be filled with song.
And may the love of God continue to give you hope and keep you strong.
And may you run and not be weary. May your life be filled with joy!
And may the road you travel always lead you home.

You are encouraged to sit and enjoy the postlude after the sending song.

POSTLUDE

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

The flowers today were given to the glory of God and in heartfelt appreciation for all the volunteers of the church, by Pastor Tara.

We thank Julie Odle, CRE, for leading us in worship today.

Please use the **C O N N E C T** cards in the pews to let us know about prayer requests or areas of interest. If you are a visitor, please also include your contact information and help us get to know you better! You can place completed cards in the offering baskets.

The nursery is located near the sanctuary and is available for children ages 0-5. Children's activity bulletins and large print bulletins, Bibles, and hymnals are available on the sanctuary tables.

If you would like to order Christmas flowers in honor or memory of loved ones, **POINSETTIA ORDER FORMS** can be found in the church office and online. The deadline for orders is December 7.

SOME OTHER PLACE CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE: Sign out a tag from the Christmas Tree in the parlor, purchase and wrap the requested gift and attach the tag. Please return by December 10.

Join us for a **FAREWELL RECEPTION** in the Parlor for Gale Jones immediately following the service December 3, 2023 as we wish her well on her move to Colorado Springs.

Are you interested in joining the St. Andrew's family? Please join us for the **NEW MEMBERS' CLASS** on December 3 at 12:00PM! Lunch will be served, so please RSVP to the Church Office by Thursday, November 30. Attending the class is a chance to learn about the history and beliefs of our church, and it does not commit you to joining.

JOIN US FOR A CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON following worship on December 10. Chicken enchilada soup, tamales, chips and dip, and cookie decorating are on the menu! We will also stuff Christmas stockings for Girls' Haven.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

MEMBERS: Greta Ott, Pat Caywood, Bob Fisher, Shelley Plunkett, Lee Plunkett, Barbara Abel, Dalton Abel, Kay Long

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Exxandy Espinosa, Madeline Johnson, David Cobble, Karen Thompson Butler, Val Rayzor, Mary Kennedy, Mickey Shuffield, Thomas Fisher, Jack Dillard, Erin Lenhart, Jerry Linn, Janie Niederstadt Verderame, Rachel Lawrence, Esmee Foster

St. Andrew's Calendar

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2023

9:15AM Sunday School
10:30AM Worship
11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
3:00PM Boy Scouts

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2023

10:00AM Monday Group
11:00AM Safe Church Training
5:30PM Strings After School
6:30PM La Hacienda

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023

10:00AM PW Bible Study
5:30PM Strings After School

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2023

9:30AM Day School Chapel
5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2023

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

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12:00PM New Members' Class
3:00PM Boy Scouts
5:00PM Youth Group

CHURCH STAFF

Tara Thompson, Pastor
Thomas Furlow, Music Director
Mary Roberts, Office Manager
Rachel Stiles, Admin Assistant/Organist
Patricia Williamson, Pianist

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