

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



DEFINE THE RELATIONSHIP

Ephesians 2:1-10, *Believe Lesson 3*

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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

† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

May 5, 2024

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.*)

Almighty God, through Jesus Christ You bring salvation to the world. Give us strength to believe in Him that we may share in His victory over the power of death and fulfill the purpose for which You have made us. Amen.

PRELUDE

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

TIME FOR MISSION

Hope Women's Resource Clinic

Amanda Buckner

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

based on Psalm 107

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord,

Many: For the love of God will never end.

One: Let us who love God be unashamed to declare it,

Many: Because God has answered our cries for help.

All: We will proclaim the love of the Lord!

† **HYMN 356**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we confess that we are an impatient and selfish people. When You offer us the promise of a new future, we complain that You don't get there fast enough. When You provide for our needs, we complain that it isn't enough. And when our bad attitudes and negative outlooks cause us to stumble, we blame You. Holy God, forgive our sinful ways. Teach us to be patient. Instruct us to be grateful. Guide us to be responsible and humble. As we turn ourselves around and look to the cross, let us experience Your grace and Your gift of new life.

† ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and Brothers, our sins are forgiven!
In Jesus Christ, we are made right with God!

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

TIME FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

Jesus Paid It All

ARR. ROBERT STERLING

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small! Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all."
Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe. Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.
For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim. I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.
And when before the throne I stand in Him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 2:1-10

Pew Bible p. 1006-1007
Large Print p. 1776-1777

SERMON

Define the Relationship

† HYMN 280

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

AMAZING GRACE

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come:
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

† 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

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Please wait until everyone has been served and then we will share in
the bread and cup together as a sign of our unity in Christ Jesus.
There is a gluten-free option in the center of the tray.*

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.

† HYMN 379

The Solid Rock

SOLID ROCK

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain: On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. (Refrain)

His oath, His covenant, His blood, support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. (Refrain)

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. (Refrain)

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG

Blessed Assurance (Refrain)

ASSURANCE

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

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

POSTLUDE

And Can It Be, That I Should Gain?

The chancel flowers today were given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Kenneth B. Nichols, by the Nichols Family.

Please use the **CONNECT** 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.

STUDY MATERIALS for our church-wide Bible study are still available after the worship service and in the Church Office during business hours. There is not a limit of one set of books per household, so feel free to pick up a set for your spouse, sibling, or parent, or pick up a children's book for your kids or grandkids!

Get the most out of the church-wide study by joining a **DISCUSSION GROUP!** On Sunday mornings at 9:15AM, you can visit the **Bible Discovery Class** in the Library (open to men and women of all ages); the **Fellowship Class** in Room 3 (open to men and women of all ages); or the **Pew Sisters Class** in Room 2 (open to women of all ages). Or, if you can't make it on a Sunday morning, try the **Tuesday Small Group** (open to men and women of all ages) at 6:30PM in the Study.

Please join the **GOLDEN TRIANGLE HANDBELL ENSEMBLE** for our Spring concert. We are proud to announce that we will be featuring a very special guest! Joshua (aka Pastor Tara) will be joining our performance. Join us at 3:00PM on May 12 in the St. Andrew's Sanctuary.

Grab a baby bottle after the service (or from the Church Office) and fill with change, cash, or a check to benefit the **HOPE WOMEN'S RESOURCE CLINIC!** Donations provide help to families, mothers, and babies in need. Return your bottle and donation by the end of May.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

MEMBERS: Family of Ken Nichols, Henry Thompson, Beth Ann Mistrot, Linda Sparkman, Bob Fisher, Barbara and Dalton Abel, Kay Long

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Merle Meggison, Madeline Johnson, David Cobble, Erika Russell, Karen Thompson Butler, Val Rayzor, Mary Kennedy, Mickey Shuffield, Thomas Fisher, Jack Dillard, Erin Lenhart, Jerry Linn, Janie Niederstadt Verderame

St. Andrew's Calendar

Sunday, May 5, 2024

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
- 12:00PM Confirmation Class
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts
- 5:15PM Confirmand Meeting

Monday, May 6, 2024

- 5:00PM Day School Board
- 5:30PM Strings After School

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

- 10:00AM PW Coordinating
- 11:00AM Staff Meeting
- 5:30PM Strings After School
- 5:30PM Fellowship Team
- 6:00PM GTHE Rehearsal
- 6:30PM Christian Education
- 6:30PM Tuesday Small Group

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

- 9:30AM Day School Chapel

Thursday, May 9, 2024

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

Saturday, May 11, 2024

- 8:30AM SETX Food Bank

Sunday, May 12, 2024

MOTHER'S DAY

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

CHURCH STAFF

Tara Thompson, Pastor
Thomas Furlow, Music Director
Rachel Stiles, Admin Assistant/Organist
Joyce Stillwell, Admin Assistant
Patricia Williamson, Pianist

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