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.

September 15, 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.)

Lord God, come again to cold hearts, weary bodies, and confused minds to fill us with Your Spirit and renew us with life so that our service will be true and our love real, now and always. Amen.

Prelude

Songs Without Words, Op. 19 No. 1

MENDELSSOHN

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God has gathered us in this place,

Many: Where we hear those stories which show us what the kingdom of God is like.

One: God summons us to this place,

Many: Where we can learn how to serve our God without reservation or hesitation.

One: God will send us from this place,

Many: To tell others of God's hopes and dreams and invitation to follow Jesus.

All: We will worship the Lord with all our heart, mind, and strength!

† HYMN 393

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

BOURBON

Take up your cross, the Savior said, If you would My disciple be; Take up your cross with willing heart, and humbly follow after Me.

Take up your cross, let not its weight fill your weak spirit with alarm; Christ's strength shall bear your spirit up and brace your heart and nerve your arm.

Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and let your foolish heart be still; The Lord for you accepted death upon a cross, on Calvary's hill.

Take up your cross, then, in Christ's strength, and calmly every danger brave: It guides you to abundant life and leads to victory o'er the grave.

† Invitation to Confession

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You call me to wait on You, Lord, but I get tired of waiting. Your answers to my prayers, Your call for me to serve You, the promise of Your coming Kingdom, they all seem to take so long. You tell me to watch for Your coming, Lord, but I'm not sure how to prepare for a thief in the night or an undisclosed time. Remind me that You are not all that hard to find; that You are always coming to me, and that both the waiting and the watching, are more about being open to You now, than about trying not to be surprised in the future. Help me to keep waiting, to stay alert, so that I can catch the glimpses of Your glory that fill my day, every day.

† ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

† HYMN 579 Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now,

And ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM I Surrender All to You Arr. Mary McDonald

O Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end;
Be Thou forever near me, my Master and my friend.
I shall not fear the battle if Thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway if Thou will be my guide.
I surrender, Lord, to You; all I am, I owe to You.
O Jesus, I promise to surrender all to You!
O Jesus, Thou hast promised to all who follow Thee,
That where Thou art in glory, there shall Thy servant be.
And, Jesus I have promised to serve Thee to the end, the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my friend!
I surrender, Lord, to You; all I am, I owe to You.
O Jesus, I promise to surrender all, surrender all.

O Jesus, I promise to surrender all to You, surrender all to You.

I surrender all to You.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Daniel 3:8-28 Pew Bible p. 760-761 Large Print p. 1342-1343

SERMON Why Sacrificial Service?

† HYMN INSERT I Surrender All SURRENDER

Refrain: I surrender all, I surrender all, all to Thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender, all to Him I freely give; I will ever love and trust Him, in His presence daily live. (Refrain)

All to Jesus I surrender, humbly at His feet I bow; Worldly pleasures all forsaken, take me, Jesus, take me now. (Refrain) All to Jesus I surrender, make me, Savior, wholly Thine; Let me feel the Holy Spirit, truly know that Thou art mine. (Refrain)

All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to Thee; Fill me with Thy love and power, let Thy blessings fall on me. (Refrain)

All to Jesus I surrender, now I feel the sacred flame; Oh, the joy of full salvation! Glory, glory to His name! (Refrain)

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 Prais

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 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 447

Lead On, O King Eternal

Lancashire

DOXOLOGY

Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come; Henceforth in fields of conquest Thy tents shall be our home: Through days of preparation Thy grace has made us strong, And now, O king eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease, And holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace; For not with swords' loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums; With deeds of love and mercy the heavenly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears; For gladness breaks like morning where'er Thy face appears; Thy cross is lifted o'er us; We journey in its light: The crown awaits the conquest; Lead on, O God of might.

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG

Together We Serve

SAN ANSELMO

Together, by grace, we witness and work, remembering Jesus, in whom we grow strong. Together we serve in Spirit and truth, remembering love is the strength of our song.

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

POSTLUDE

Chorale and Toccata on Darwall's 148th

Albert L. Travis

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.

We will collect the **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN THANK OFFERING** TODAY. Since 1888, this offering has supported missions in the United States and abroad. To learn more, visit presbyterianwomen.org/thank.

PIRATE SUNDAY 2024 is next Sunday, September 22! Come dressed in your best pirate garb and stay for a lunch of gumbo, coleslaw, French bread, banana pudding, and cookies after the worship service.

THE ST. ANDREW'S LIFESHARE BLOOD DRIVE is September 25 from 4:00PM -7:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. Last year, our blood drives helped save 66 lives; your donations make a difference!

FRESH FLOWERS can be given in the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings in memory or in honor of loved ones. A standard arrangement is \$80. If you would like to sponsor the Sunday morning chancel flowers, please contact the office or use the flower calendar outside the office.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

MEMBERS: Bob Webb, Evelyn Lord, Pat Richard, Linda Sparkman, Beth Ann Mistrot, Bob Fisher, Barbara and Dalton Abel, Kay Long

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

St. Andrew's Calendar

Sunday, September 15, 2024

9:15AM Sunday School

10:30AM Worship

11:45AM Choir Rehearsal

12:00PM Deacons' Meeting

3:00PM Boy Scouts

5:00PM Youth Group

Monday, September 16, 2024

5:30PM Strings After School 6:00PM GT Square Dancers

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

5:30PM Strings After School6:30PM Session Meeting6:30PM Tuesday Group

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

9:30AM Grandparent's Day/ Day School Chapel 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal 5:30PM Board of Trustees

Thursday, September 19, 2024

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

Sunday, September 22, 2024

PIRATE SUNDAY

9:15AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship 11:30AM Pirate Luncheon 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal

3:00PM Boy Scouts

CHURCH STAFF

Tara Thompson, Pastor Thomas Furlow, Music Director Gloria Pierce, Day School Director Rachel Stiles, Admin Assistant/Organist Joyce Stillwell, Admin Assistant Katrina Strong, Custodian Patricia Williamson, Pianist

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