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 22, 2024 PIRATE SUNDAY 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.)

Through the power of Your Holy Spirit, move within us and among us as we worship. Open our eyes to Your presence; open our ears to Your call, open our hearts to one another. And then send us back out into the world, to live and work as Your faithful disciples, we pray. Amen.

PRELUDE Da Thábh air an Fharaidh and Da Foostra TRADITIONAL IRISH

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

MOMENT FOR MISSION Mayor Roy West and Dr. Shannon Allen, BISD

† CALL TO WORSHIP based on Psalm 78:1-4

One: People of God, come and celebrate the story of our God,

Many: A story of compassion and mercy,

One: Of redemption and love;

Many: A story passed down from generation to generation,

One: So that God's people never forget

Many: The wonderful things our God has done!

All: Let's praise God together!

† HYMN INSERT Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn to Joy

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day. All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays. Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother—all who live in love are Thine.
Teach us how to love each other; lift us to the joy divine!

Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began; Love divine is reigning o'er us, leading us with mercy's hand. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife. Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life!

† Invitation to Confession

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not always lived up to the example set by Your Son, Jesus Christ. We confess how difficult it is to truly love the people around us: to care as deeply for their well-being as for our own, to delight in their good fortune without feeling envious. Forgive us. Teach us to whole-heartedly love one another. We confess how often we act out of our own self-interest: putting our needs and desires ahead of the needs of others, hoarding our resources rather than sharing them freely. Forgive us. Teach us to live with generosity and compassion. You call us to turn away from the behaviors and attitudes of the world around us and to be renewed and transformed by Your grace at work in our lives. Through Your Holy Spirit, continue the work that You have begun in us, so that our words and deeds may bring honor and glory to You.

† 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 Change the World with Love

Arr. Martin and Nix

Go in peace, go in hope. Change the world with love. Treasure each moment, cherish each sunrise. Walk in joy and light. Always thankful for wonders and miracles. Come and celebrate life. Go in peace, go in hope. Change the world with love. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Romans 12:9-21 Pew Bible p. 976

Large Print p. 1725

SERMON More than a Slogan

We all are one in mission, we all are one in call, Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all. A single, great commission compels us from above To plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.

We all are called for service to witness in God's name; Our ministries are different, our purpose is the same: To touch the lives of others by God's surprising grace so every folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.

Now let us be united and let our song be heard. Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word. We all are one in mission, we all are one in call, Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

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 2223

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

ST. BRENDAN'S

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

Refrain: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land. (Refrain)

We will work with each other, we will work side by side, We will work with each other, we will work side by side, And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride. (Refrain)

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one. (Refrain)

† 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

The Pirates Who Don't Do Anything

Nawrocki and Heinecke

The red rose on the communion table today was given to the glory of God by Charlotte and Bob Schwarzlose in celebration of the birth of their granddaughter, Heidi Hastings Schwarzlose, to Charles and Haley Schwarzlose on September 3.

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.

The 2024-2025 PW BIBLE STUDY starts on Tuesday, September 24, at 10:00AM in the Parlor. Join us as we begin our fall study.

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!

We will collect the PCUSA PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING on World Communion Sunday, October 6, 2024. Our gifts help our neighbors in need—25% of the offering stays with our congregation to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our own community; 25% goes to the mid-council to join other congregations in supporting regional peacemaking work; and 50% supports the work being done by Presbyterians across the globe.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

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

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Paul Ford, 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 22, 2024 PIRATE SUNDAY

9:15AM Sunday School

10:30AM Worship

11:30AM Pirate Luncheon

11:45AM Choir Rehearsal

3:00PM Boy Scouts

Monday, September 23, 2024

5:30PM Strings After School

6:00PM GT Square Dancers

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

10:00AM PW Bible Study

5:30PM Strings After School

6:30PM Tuesday Group

Wednesday, September 25, 2024

9:30AM Day School Chapel

4:00PM LifeShare Blood Drive

5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal

Thursday, September 26, 2024

8:30AM MOW Cooks

10:00AM MOW Delivers

Sunday, September 29, 2024

9:15AM Sunday School

10:30AM Worship

11:45AM Choir Rehearsal

3:00PM Boy Scouts

5:00PM Youth Game Night

CHURCH STAFF

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

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