

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

YOU ARE...

John 9:1-12

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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

† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

September 29, 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.*)

Holy God, bring us again and again into Your light until Your ways become visible to us, and bear fruit in us. Amen.

PRELUDE

Lead, Kindly Light

LUX BENIGNA

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Come and see the love God has given to us.

Many: Come and see what it means to be children of God.

One: Come and see the works of God.

Many: Come with this hope, that Christ's presence is real.

All: With joy, we come to see the Lord.

† **HYMN 324**

Open My Eyes That I May See

OPEN MY EYES

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.

Silently now I wait for Thee, ready, my God, Thy will to see;

Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth Thou sendest clear;
And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.

Silently now I wait for Thee, ready, my God, Thy will to see;

Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere;
Open my heart, and let me prepare love with Thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for Thee, ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we come before You in need of forgiveness and grace. You call us to trust in You completely, but we do not. We are timid and fearful as we follow Your lead. We justify our actions and words, though we know they are not what You require. We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to be born again into the life of Christ, trusting that You have included us by grace in the family of faith.

† 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

Trust and Obey

Arr. Lloyd Larson

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word, What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will, He abides with us still, And with all who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share, But our toil, He will richly repay;
Not a grief nor a loss, not a frown nor a cross, But is blest if we trust and obey.

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet, Or we'll walk by His side in the way;
What He says we will do, where He sends we will go; Never fear, only trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 9:1-12

Pew Bible p. 921
Large Print p. 1631

SERMON

You Are...

† HYMN STF 2086

Open Our Eyes

OPEN OUR EYES

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,
To reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him.

Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

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 INSERT

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

HOUSTON

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain: In Him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. (Refrain)

I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. (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

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Arr. Mark Hayes

We thank Mason Hendrix for sharing his gift of music with 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.

We will collect the **PCUSA PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING** on World Communion next Sunday, October 6. 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.

The Session has called a **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** next Sunday, October 6, immediately following worship. The purpose of the meeting is to hear and act on the report of the 2024 Nominating Committee regarding a vacancy in the deacons class of 2027. Please plan to be in attendance!

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: Ellen Wiemers, 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 29, 2024

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts
- 5:00PM Youth Game Night

Monday, September 30, 2024

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

Tuesday, October 1, 2024

- 10:00AM PW Coordinating
- 11:00AM Staff Meeting
- 5:30PM Strings After School
- 5:30PM Fellowship
- 6:30PM Christian Ed
- 6:30PM Tuesday Group

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

- 9:30AM Day School Chapel
- 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal
- 6:30PM Mission & Evangelism

Thursday, October 3, 2024

- 8:30AM MOW Cooks
- 10:00AM MOW Delivers
- 1:00PM Book Club

Friday, October 4, 2024

- 7:00AM Men's Breakfast

Sunday, October 6, 2024

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

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

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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