

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Believe, Lesson 18: Offering My Time ✦ Ecclesiastes 3:1-14
How Do I Use My Time?



CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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

† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

October 20, 2024

SCOTTISH 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.*)

Almighty God, fill us now with Your Spirit so that we may make the most of the time, understanding Your will and expressing Your wisdom among the people You have chosen. Amen.

PRELUDE

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† PROCESSIONAL

Scotland the Brave

BAGPIPES

† CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 111:2-4

One: How amazing are the deeds of our God!

Many: Everything He does reveals His glory and majesty.

One: His righteousness and justice never fail;

Many: He is gracious and compassionate to all.

All: Come and worship!

† HYMN 456

Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun

MORNING HYMN

Awake, my soul, and with the sun your daily stage of duty run;
Shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise to pay your morning sacrifice.

Lord, I my vows to You renew. Disperse my sins as morning dew;
Guard my first springs of thought and will, and with Yourself my spirit fill.

Direct, control, suggest, this day, all I design or do or say;
That all my powers, with all their might, in Your sole glory may unite.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All-knowing God, we are Your children, but we have turned away from Your wisdom and walked in our own ways. We have lived carelessly and squandered time. We have been foolish and failed to understand Your will. We have been drunk with the wine of this world and unprincipled in our own desires. Purge us from evil and fill us with Your Spirit. Clear our minds from clutter so that we may discern what is right and walk in Your ways.

† 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

Take Time to Be Holy

Arr. Ruth Schram

Take time to be holy, speak often with God; Find rest in Him always, and feed on His Word.
Make friends of God's children, help those who are weak, Forgetting in nothing His blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on; Spend much time in secret, with Jesus alone.
By looking to Jesus, like Him you will be; Your friends in your conduct His likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, let Him be your guide, and run not before Him, whatever betide.
In joy or in sorrow, still follow the Lord and, looking to Jesus, still trust in His Word.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ecclesiastes 3:1-14

Pew Bible p. 572
Large Print p. 988

SERMON

How Do I Use My Time?

† HYMN 275

God of Our Life

SANDON

God of our life, through all the circling years, we trust in Thee;
In all the past, through all our hopes and fears, Thy hand we see.
With each new day, when morning lifts the veil,
We own Thy mercies, Lord, which never fail.

God of the past, our times are in Thy hand; with us abide.
Lead us by faith to hope's true promised land; be Thou our guide.
With thee to bless, the darkness shines as light,
And faith's fair vision changes into sight.

God of the coming years, through paths unknown We follow Thee;
When we are strong, Lord, leave us not alone; our refuge be.
Be Thou for us in life our daily bread,
Our heart's true home when all our years have sped.

BLESSING OF THE TARTANS

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 276

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (Refrain)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside. (Refrain)

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG

Bring Forth the Kingdom

BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy, bring forth the Kingdom of peace;
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice, bring forth the City of God!

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

POSTLUDE

Highland Cathedral

BAGPIPES

We thank Jeff Courts and Cameron Montgomery for sharing their gifts of music with us in worship today.

The chancel flowers today were given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bill McIlrath, by his family.

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.

Today is **SCOTTISH SUNDAY!** Join us in celebrating our Presbyterian heritage during the worship service and at a fellowship luncheon afterwards. The menu is stew, biscuits, and shortbread.

Immediately following lunch, we will **CARVE PUMPKINS** as a reminder of our calling to shine the light of Jesus.

The **2024-2025 PW BIBLE STUDY** is Tuesday, October 22, at 10:00AM in the Parlor. Join us as we continue our fall study.

Join us for a **COOKIE BAKING** extravaganza with Mike Dove on Wednesday, October 23, from 2-5PM in the kitchen. Unlock the secrets to baking his mouthwatering cookies and bake like a pro!

THE ST. ANDREW'S LIFESHARE BLOOD DRIVE has been rescheduled for November 6 from 4:00PM-7:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. Last year, our blood drives helped save 66 lives; your donations make a difference!

St. Andrew's Prayer List

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

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Patty Bennett, Geneva Broussard, Family of Terry Joe Haralson, Katie Ruth-Prichard, Ellen Wiemers, Paul Ford, Jerry Linn, Madeline Johnson, David Cobble, Erika Russell, Karen Thompson Butler, Mary Kennedy, Thomas Fisher, Jack Dillard, Erin Lenhart, Janie Niederstadt Verderame

St. Andrew's Calendar

Sunday, October 20, 2024

SCOTTISH SUNDAY

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
- 11:30PM Scottish Luncheon
- 12:00PM Deacon's Meeting
- 12:30PM Deacon Training
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts

Monday, October 21, 2024

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

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

- 10:00AM PW Bible Study
- 5:30PM Strings After School
- 6:30PM Tuesday Group

Wednesday, October 23, 2024

- 9:30AM Day School Chapel
- 2:00PM Cookie Baking with Mike
- 5:30PM AA Group Meeting
- 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal

Thursday, October 24, 2024

- 8:30AM MOW Cooks
- 10:00AM MOW Delivers
- 4:00PM SAPC Foundation
- 6:00PM GTHE Rehearsal

Sunday, October 27, 2024

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

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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