



ST. ANDY'S REVIEW

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UPCOMING SERMONS

NOVEMBER 2

All Saints' Observance

**Faith Out Loud:
Our Inheritance**

Ephesians 1:11-23

NOVEMBER 9

**Faith Out Loud:
Eyes Wide Open**

Job 19:23-27

NOVEMBER 16

**Faith Out Loud:
God Has a Dream**

Isaiah 65:17-25

NOVEMBER 23

**Faith Out Loud:
King of My Life**

Colossians 1:9-20

NOVEMBER 30

**The Heart that
Grew Three Sizes:
When Everything Is Wrong**

Amos 5:18-24

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

Please call or email the office with
newsletter submissions on or before

November 19, 2025



G. K. Chesterton, the clever 20th-century author, once challenged our limited view of giving thanks. He wrote, "You say grace before meals. All right. But I say grace before the concert and the opera, and grace before the play and pantomime, and grace before I open a book, and grace before sketching, painting, swimming, fencing, boxing, walking, playing, dancing and grace before I dip the pen in the ink."

For most of us, "saying grace" is a ritual reserved for the dinner table. It is a meaningful practice that rightly recognizes God's provision for our food. But as Chesterton reminds us, our thanksgiving should not be limited to a few words over a meal, nor confined to the month of November and an annual holiday.

Chesterton's words call us to maintain a constant attitude of gratitude, recognizing God's presence in every part of our lives. In doing so, we transform our entire life into an act of worship. Our gratitude extends beyond our food to include our very being, which is sustained by God's continual and abundant grace.

Living a life of gratitude shifts our focus from what we lack to the abundance of God's blessings, revealing His goodness in the ordinary. When we train our hearts to see life as a gift, we begin to find peace and joy in every season.

With the conclusion of our **FAITH OUT LOUD** series, let us respond with gratitude to the promises of Jesus and dedicate ourselves to making His kingdom a reality on earth.

- Pastor Tara

November birthdays

Nov. 1 George Fulton Jr.
Nov. 2 Bruce Burnside
Nov. 3 Becky Ford
Nov. 7 Fred Morgan
Nov. 11 Jeff Newman
Nov. 12 Mirabelle Wiemers
Nov. 16 Sarah Bardwell
Nov. 17 Caroline Bridges
Nov. 17 Janna Caywood
Nov. 20 Sue Chatagnier
Nov. 21 Audrey Parigi
Nov. 22 Gary Wells
Nov. 23 Julianna Dockens
Nov. 23 Steve Richardson
Nov. 24 Susan Reese
Nov. 24 Liz Webb
Nov. 25 Penelope Neyland
Nov. 25 Luke Nichols
Nov. 26 Brian Sparkman

Time to Fall Back! November 2



Reminder:

**PW will assemble
 Christmas Kits for Seafarers
 Wednesday, November 4
 at 11:00AM in the
 Fellowship Hall**

IN OUR PRAYERS

In the Congregation

Bill Yoes, Bruce Partain, Mike Dove, John Pember, Peg Towers, Pat Richard, Howard Caywood, Suzy Buehrle, Linda Sparkman, Bob Fisher, Barbara Abel, Dalton Abel

Friends and Family

Family of Dudley Eugene Harris, Elle Siekman, Bruce Williams, Jean and Ron Williamson, Quinn Long, David Fertitta, George Busceme, Charlie Monaghan, Judy Monaghan, Shirley Owens, Florence Brandshaw, Rachel Edwards, Pat Davenport, Haywood Walker, Pamela Humphrey, Janet Dexter, Alison Berry Low, Kenna Gordon, Tenisha Humphrey, Jacob Walton, Madeline Johnson, Erika Russell, Mary Kennedy, Thomas Fisher, Jack Dillard, Erin Lenhart, Janie Niederstadt Verderame



REMINDER: ESTIMATE OF GIVING

If you haven't turned in your Estimate of Giving card for 2026, there is still time. If you need a blank card, they are available in the Church Office. Thank you for your support!



As we approach the holiday season, we want to remind you that Pastor Tara will never request money or gift cards via text or email. If you receive any suspicious messages of this nature, you can report this activity at [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://www.reportfraud.ftc.gov).



IRA CONTRIBUTIONS



As we come to the end of another year, we want to remind you of a potential tax savings if you are required to take an RMD (Required Minimum Distribution) from your IRA. If you have your financial advisor send your distribution directly to the charity you desire to give to (church, Food Bank, etc.) this will bypass you and you do not have to pay taxes on those distributions. You can contribute to more than one charity as long as you do not receive the funds yourself. Any 503(c) corporation is legal. Your financial advisor can help you accomplish this.

PW LEAST COIN AWARD



In October, Presbyterian Women recognized Sara Hope Burnside for her pioneering spirit, tenacity, and Biblical dedication to the global Fellowship of the Least Coin Mission since its infancy. This pin and certificate are a small token of gratitude for her continued missions work.

ST. ANDREW'S ANGEL TREE



St. Andrew's is excited to participate in spreading holiday cheer by sponsoring gifts for children and seniors in need this Christmas season. Partnering with **Some Other Place**, this program aims to ensure that local children, who might otherwise have little to celebrate, experience the joy of receiving a special gift. Additionally, gifts will benefit the residents of **Harmony Senior Care**. To join in this heartwarming initiative, select a tag from one of the Angel Trees located in the sanctuary and sign the clipboard noting which tag you took. **After purchasing the gift, please wrap it and return it with the tag attached by December 12.** This is a wonderful opportunity to make a meaningful impact in our community this holiday season.

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

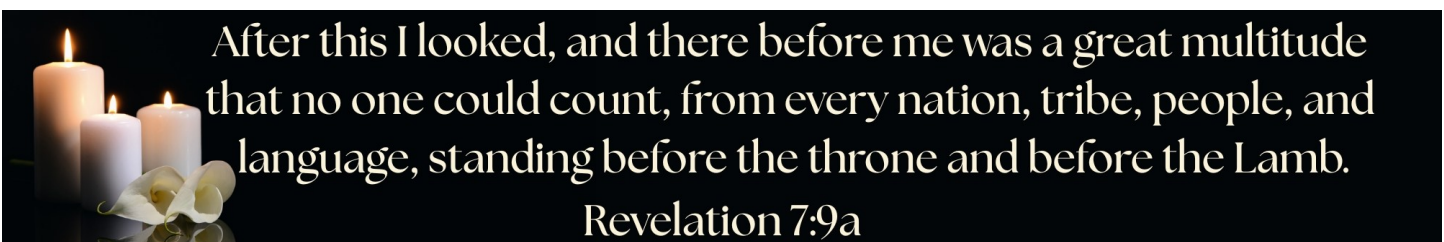
One of the most beautiful traditions of the Church is the observance of All Saints' Sunday. It is the time of the Christian year when we remember those who have graduated from this life to life everlasting. It is a time when we remember the things they said, the things they did, and the time they spent with us on this earth. We are grateful for the life and witness of the following saints of St. Andrew's, who we will remember together in the worship service on November 2, 2025:

Evelyn Lord
July 9, 2025

Mary Miller
December 13, 2024

Beth Anne Mistrot
August 11, 2025

Dudley Eugene Harris
October, 23, 2025





LITTLE FLOCK

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



DO NOT BE AFRAID. LITTLE FLOCK, FOR YOUR FATHER HAS BEEN PLEASED TO GIVE YOU THE KINGDOM. LUKE 12:32

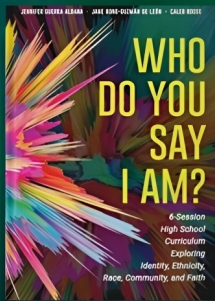
November 2	God Saves Daniel	Daniel 6
November 9	God Gives Jonah a Second Chance	Jonah 1-4
November 16	God Tells Joseph to Go to Egypt	Matthew 2:13-23
November 23	Jesus Is Coming, John the Baptist Prepares the Way	John 1:19-34
November 30	When Everything Is Wrong	Luke 1:26-56

Following the Time for Children in worship, children in Pre-K through 5th meet volunteers at the sanctuary doors to go to the classroom for a child-friendly worship service. This time includes music, Bible teaching, and other activities. Parents pick up their children from this classroom at the end of worship.

The goal of Children's Church is to teach our children about worship while also helping them grow in their understanding of Scripture. Our curriculum is *Dig In: The Bible in One Year*.

YOUTH SCHEDULE

**Youth Group meets on Sundays 4:30–6PM
for any student in grades 6–12.**



November 2
No Youth, Soup Supper Social

November 9
Our Rejection and Resilience
Genesis 16; Luke 23:1-24

November 16
Our Neighborhoods
John 4:4-9, 27-29, 39-40

November 23
No Youth, Advent Decorating

November 30
Starting The Heart that Grew Three Sizes study

CONFIRMATION MEETING

An informational meeting for students and parents regarding the 2026 Confirmation Class will take place on Sunday, November 9, at 4PM in the Youth Center. Confirmation is a time where we encourage students to take ownership of their faith in the hope they might claim Christ as their own.

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS

As the Advent season approaches, it is a wonderful time to reflect and prepare for the joyous celebration of Christmas. Whether you are looking for engaging materials for children, insightful reflections for youth, or profound readings for adults, there is something available for everyone. Additionally, there are devotionals designed for family study, providing a meaningful opportunity to grow together in faith. Please visit the sanctuary tables for the materials.





November 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 ALL SAINTS' OBSERVANCE 9:15AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal 1:30PM Worship Staff 3:00PM Boy Scouts 5:00PM Soup Supper Social	3 5:00PM Day School Board 5:30PM SAS Intermediate 6:00PM Golden Triangle Square Dancers	4 10:00AM PW Coordinating 10:00AM PW Assemble Kits 11:30AM Staff Meeting 5:30PM Fellowship 5:30PM SAS Beginners 6:30PM Christian Ed	5 8:15AM SK @ SOP 9:30AM Day School Chapel 4:30PM Mission & Evangelism 5:30PM AA Group 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal	6 8:30AM MOW Cooks 10:00AM MOW Delivers 1:00PM Book Club 6:00PM GTHE Rehearsal	7 7:00AM Men's Breakfast	8 8:30AM SETX Food Bank
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30 9:15AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal 3:00PM Boy Scouts 4:30PM Youth Group					KEY MOW = Meals On Wheels PW = Presbyterian Women SAS = Strings After School SK @ SOP = Soup Kitchen at Some Other Place GTHE = Golden Triangle Handbells Ensemble	

Soup Supper Social

November 2
beginning at 5pm

SAPC volunteers and their families are invited to Pastor Tara's house for food and fellowship in appreciation for their service this year.

Menu: Pumpkin Apple Bisque, Chicken Corn Chowder, Pumpkin Chili, and Pierogi, Kale, and Sausage Soup

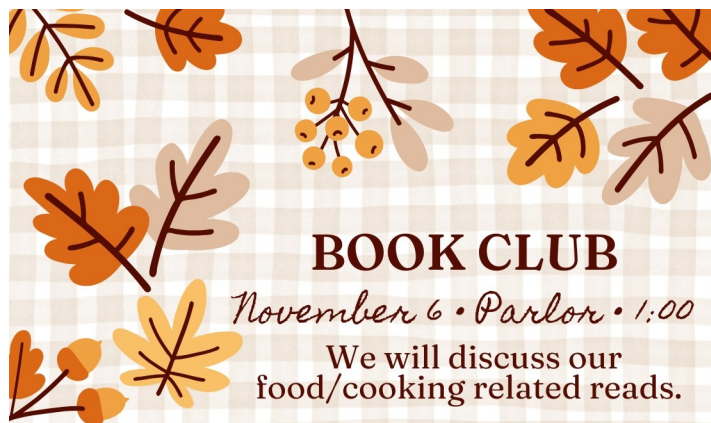


LifeShare Blood Drive

November 5

at 4PM

in the Fellowship Hall



BOOK CLUB

November 6 • Parlor • 1:00

We will discuss our food/cooking related reads.

First Friday Men's Breakfast

November 7 at 7AM
in the Fellowship Hall

Join us for food, fellowship, and prayer!

PW Bible Study

November 18

10:00AM in the Parlor

Lesson Three:
Jesus Is Tested

All hands on deck to
DECK THE HALLS

Join the SAPC Family for Advent decorating!

NOVEMBER 23 AT 4:00PM

Pizza, drinks, and cookies to follow!



Save the Date

Golden Triangle

Handbell Ensemble

Winter Concert

December 14, 2025 at 7PM

SCOTTISH SUNDAY

On October 12, we celebrated our Presbyterian heritage with special bagpipe music played by Jeff Courts and a worship service filled with rich history and prayer. After worship we had a delicious lunch followed by our very own Highland Games! Special thanks to our team of wonderful cooks and the White Team for a great lunch!

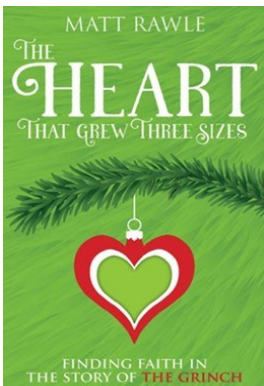


ORGAN RECITAL

On October 26, St. Andrew's hosted "Organ in Autumn," an autumnal concert sponsored by the Beaumont Chapter of The American Guild of Organists. We gathered to hear local organists perform seasonal pieces, and collected a love offering for the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Texas Hill Country Flood Relief Fund. Proceeds support the ongoing recovery efforts following the July floods. A light reception followed and a wonderful time was had by all!



CHURCHWIDE STUDY FOR ADVENT



Beginning November 30, St. Andrew's will begin a churchwide study called *The Heart that Grew Three Sizes* based on Dr. Suess' *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. Join us for a heartwarming and Biblical take on a beloved story. We don't know why the Grinch hated Christmas. We just know he did. In this Advent study, Matt Rawle explores the faith themes in this Christmas classic, including, how the grinch's heart grew three sizes come Christmas morning.

How did Christmas save the Grinch? Could it be that the very thing we think we hate is the one thing that changes our lives? Rediscover the gift of Advent that comes without packages, ribbons, or bows.

On **November 9**, there will be a brief leaders meeting immediately following worship to distribute materials, become familiarized with the content, and answer any questions group leaders may have.

Bible Discovery: This group is for men and women of all ages. Meetings take place on Sunday mornings at 9:15AM in the library. We will conclude *Gospel in Life* by Timothy Keller in time for the churchwide Advent study. This group is led by Bruce Partain and Harry Watts.

Fellowship: This group is for men and women of all ages. Meetings take place on Sunday mornings at 9:15AM in Room 3. We will conclude *Jonathan Edwards Renewed Heart* in time for the churchwide Advent study. This group is led by Jan Pember.

Pew Sisters: Pew Sisters is a group for women of all ages, and meets at 9:15AM on Sunday mornings in Room 2. We will conclude *In the WIND* by Dr. Billy Burch in time for the churchwide Advent study. This group is led by Charlotte Schwarzlose.

Children's Church: This is for children ages 4-5th grade and takes place during Sunday worship following the Time for Children.

Youth Group: This group is for students in grades 6-12. Meetings take place on Sunday afternoons at 4:30PM in the Youth Center. We will conclude *Who Do You Say I Am?* in time for the churchwide Advent study. This group is led by Pastor Tara.

Tuesday Group: This group is for adults of all ages and takes place at 6:30PM in the Study. The churchwide Advent study begins December 2 for this group. This group is led by Judy Fisher.

POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

Poinsettias are a beautiful way to honor or remember loved ones this Christmas. The flowers will be available for you to take home after the Christmas Eve service, when the dedications will be printed in the bulletin. Plants are \$15.00 each. Orders and payments are due by December 11, 2025.

IN HONOR OF

IN MEMORY OF

BY



KINDNESS KITS

On October 28, PW gathered to assemble Kindness Kits for the homeless. These kits are available to take home and keep in the car to meet needs when they arise. Please pick one up on the sanctuary tables, or in the office area across from the study.



STOCK THE PANTRY

October was St. Andrew's month to stock the pantry at Some Other Place. Your donations of shelf-stable goods helped feed homeless individuals, homebound seniors, and others who do not have access to regular meals. At the beginning of November, St. Andrew's was able to give the following items to SOP. Thank you for your generosity!



- 115 Assorted Canned Goods
- 18 Boxes of Mac and Cheese
- 15 Boxes of Pancake Mixes
- 5 Bottles of Syrup
- 9 Jars of Peanut Butter and 8 Jars of Jelly
- 5 Mayo, 5 Mustard and 1 Ketchup Bottle
- 10 Cans of Fruit
- 6 Cans of Evaporated Milk
- 2 Jello Puddings
- 4 Boxes of Mashed Potatoes
- 24 Cans of meat
- 2 Vegetable Soups
- 3 Bags of Rice
- 4 Bags of Beans
- 4 Bags of Flour and 4 Bags of Sugar
- 48 Packs of Ramen Noodles
- 52 Packages of Peanut Butter Crackers
- 3 Boxes of Granola Bars
- 4 Containers of Oatmeal
- 1 Box of Grits
- 3 Packages of Pasta and 1 Jar of Pasta Sauce
- 2 Bottles of Vegetable Oil
- 1 Vanilla Extract
- 1 Pie Filling
- 1 Coffee and 1 Juice
- 1 Container of Salt



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