

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



BE... HOPEFUL

1 Peter 1:3-9
BELIEVE: Lesson 25

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Please note that all text in **bold** is spoken in unison.
† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

February 9, 2025

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 One, may this worship that we offer in Your name be a worthy response to Your love and Your sacrifice for us. Amen.

PRELUDE

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† **CALL to WORSHIP**

based on Psalms 100 & 33

One: Let us enter God's house with thanksgiving;

Many: And come into God's presence with praise.

One: For God is good!

Many: We wait in hope for the Lord;

One: He is our help and our shield.

Many: In Him, our hearts rejoice.

All: Come, let us worship the Lord!

† **HYMN 399**

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

DUNLAP'S CREEK

We walk by faith and not by sight; No gracious words we hear
From Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke; But we believe Him near.

We may not touch His hands and side, Nor follow where He trod;
But in His promise we rejoice, And cry, "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; And may our faith abound
To call on You when You are near and seek where You are found:

That, when our life of faith is done, In realms of clearer light
We may behold You as You are, With full and endless sight.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Wondrous God, we confess that, at times, our doubts and fears override our hope and faith. Forgive us when we lose sight of the joy of Your love and instead fall into despair and gloom. Lift up our spirits, Lord, and help us to remember the promise of new life here and now, not just the hope of resurrection in the future. We give thanks for Your Son, Jesus, who continues to offer us new life, who continues to turn us around and upside down, and who continues to break down the walls of death in our own lives. Forgive us, restore us, and renew us, we ask.

† ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

† 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

Abound in Hope

by Mark Hayes

May the God of hope fill you with joy, the joy that comes from only God,
That you may abound in endless hope, abound in everlasting hope.

May the God of hope fill you with peace, the peace that comes from only God,
That you may abound in endless hope, abound in everlasting hope.

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
When all supports are washed away He then is all my hope and stay.
When I behold the risen Lord, my hope is once again restored.

May the God of hope fill you with grace, the grace that comes from only God,
That you may abound in endless hope, abound in everlasting hope.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Peter 1:3-9

Pew Bible p.1047
Large Print p.1845-1846

SERMON

Be Hopeful

† HYMN 360

Hope of the World

DONNE SECOURS

Hope of the world, Thou Christ of great compassion, Speak to our fearful hearts by conflict rent,
Save us, Thy people, from consuming passion, Who by our own false hope and aims are spent.

Hope of the world, God's gift from highest heaven, Bringing to hungry souls the bread of life,
Still let Thy Spirit unto us be given To heal earth's wounds and end our bitter strife.

Hope of the world, afoot on dusty highways, Showing to wandering souls the path of light;
Walk Thou beside us lest the tempting byways Lure us away from Thee to endless night.

Hope of the world, who by Thy cross didst save us From death and deep despair, from sin and guilt;
We render back the love Thy mercy gave us; Take Thou our lives and use them as Thou wilt.

Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death victorious, Who by this sign didst conquer grief and pain,
We would be faithful to Thy gospel glorious: Thou art our Lord! Thou dost forever reign!

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

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

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 379

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK

My hope is built no nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found,
Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand; All other ground is sinking sand.

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG

Abide with Me

EVENTIDE

I need Thy presence every passing hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

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

POSTLUDE

We thank Karen McBee (piano), John Chappell (trumpet), and Chris Stiles (trumpet)
for sharing their gift of music with us in worship today.

The chancel flowers today were given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Thomas A. Thompson, Jr. (PopPop) by his granddaughter, Tara Thompson.

Please use the **CONNECT** 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.

There will be a **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** TODAY, immediately following worship. The purpose is to conduct the annual meeting. We will receive the 2025 budget and an update on the ministries of the church.

Join us for the **SOUPER BOWL OF CARING LUNCHEON** immediately following the annual meeting TODAY. The menu is red beans and rice, coleslaw, and king cake. We will also collect non-perishable items to support the pantry at Some Other Place!

There will be an **ORIENTATION FOR VOLUNTEERS** TODAY, immediately following the church luncheon. The purpose of the orientation is to introduce you to the curriculum and Children's Church format as well as answer any questions you may have.

There will be a **SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING** for all volunteers on Sunday, February 23, immediately following worship. A light lunch will be provided.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

MEMBERS: Bob Fisher, Susanne Nichols, Linda Sparkman, Beth Ann Mistrot, Bob Fisher, Barbara and Dalton Abel

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Ellen Wiemers, Tenisha Humphrey, Marsh Bridges, Don Linn, Jacob Walton, Charlie Monaghan, David Fertitta, Geneva Broussard, 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, February 9, 2025

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:30AM Congregational Meeting
- 11:45AM Souper Bowl Luncheon
- 12:00PM Choir Rehearsal
- 12:30PM Volunteer Orientation
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts

Monday, February 10, 2025

- 12:00PM Rainbow Room
- 5:30PM Strings After School
- 6:00PM GT Square Dancers

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

- 5:30PM Strings After School
- 5:30PM Finance & Property
- 6:30PM Tuesday Group

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

- 9:30AM Day School Chapel
- 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal
- 5:30PM AA Group
- 6:30PM Worship Team

Thursday, February 13, 2025

- 8:30AM MOW Cooks
- 10:00AM MOW Delivers

Friday, February 14, 2025

OFFICE CLOSED

Sunday, February 16, 2025

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 12:00PM Choir Rehearsal
- 12:00PM Deacons Meeting
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts
- 4:30PM 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, Accompanist

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