

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PUT ON GRACE

Romans 6:1-14

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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

† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

February 23, 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 God, infuse Your people with trust so that we might know the true healing that comes from Your steadfast Word, through Christ Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

PRELUDE

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† **CALL to WORSHIP**

One: God cares for us completely,

Many: And calls for our total commitment.

One: Christ gave His life that we might live,

Many: And calls us to give our lives to Him.

One: Through Christ we have died to sin;

Many: In Christ we are fully alive to God.

All: Come, let us worship God.

† **HYMN INSERT**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;

Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above;

Praise His name - I'm fixed upon it - Name of God's redeeming love.

Hitherto Thy love has blest me; Thou hast bro't me to this place;
And I know Thy hand will bring me Safely home by Thy good grace,
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, Bo't me with His precious blood.
O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be!

Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we confess that we have sinned in Your sight. Despite our best efforts and intentions, we have failed to consistently live in ways that bring honor to Your name. Forgive us. Through the grace of Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, set us free from the grip of sin, from attitudes and actions that do not lead to life.

† 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

Grace Alone

by Scott Wesley Brown

Every promise we can make, Every prayer and step of faith,
Every difference we will make is only by His grace.

Every mountain we will climb, Every ray of hope we shine,
Every blessing left behind is only by His grace.

Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown He will provide.
Christ in us, our Cornerstone. We will go forth in grace alone.

Every soul we long to reach, Every heart we hope to teach,
Everywhere we share His peace is only by His grace.

Every loving word we say, Every tear we wipe away,
Every sorrow turned to praise is only by His grace.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 6:1-14

Pew Bible p. 970
Large Print p. 1714-1715

SERMON

Put on Grace

† HYMN INSERT

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

Johnston & Towner

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

Refrain: Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that is greater than all our sin.

Sin and despair, like the sea waves cold, threaten the soul with infinite loss;
Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, points to the refuge, the mighty Cross.

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide, What can avail to wash it away?
Look, there is flowing a crimson tide; Whiter than snow you may be today.

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, freely bestowed on all who believe;
You that are longing to see His face, will you this moment His grace receive?

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 280

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

AMAZING GRACE

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me!
I was once lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved,
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come,
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures,
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun .

† 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

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

The chancel flowers today were given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
our grandmother, Mattie Ward by Barbara and Mike Warren.

We thank Bruce Partain, Elder for leading us in worship today.

We thank Jacob Furlow (violin) and Martha Giarratano (cello) for sharing their 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.

The **SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING** for all volunteers who work with children or Youth is TODAY, immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall. A light lunch will be provided.

The **2024-2025 PW BIBLE STUDY** continues on Tuesday, February 25, at 10:00AM in the Parlor. Pastor Tara is leading the study.

Get your **LAMAR CARDINALS BASKETBALL** tickets before they sell out! Come watch the Lamar Cardinals play the McNeese State Cowboys this **Saturday, March 1, 2025 at 6:00 pm.** Tickets are in section E, rows 6-9 and cost \$10 each. You don't want to miss it! Please RSVP with the number of tickets you need to the church office.

Join us on **ASH WEDNESDAY**, March 5, at 7:00PM for worship. The service will include special music, communion, and the imposition of ashes.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

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

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Family of Rev. Steve C. Kerr, Family of Charles Howell, Jr., Tenisha Humphrey, 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 23, 2025

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:45PM Choir Rehearsal
- 11:45AM Maryann Sweeney Birthday Party
- 12:00PM Safe Sanctuary
- 4:30PM Youth Group
- 6:00PM New Small Group

Monday, February 24, 2025

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

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

- 10:00AM PW Bible Study
- 5:30PM Strings After School
- 6:30PM Session Meeting

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

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

Thursday, February 27, 2025

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

Friday, February 28, 2025

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, March 1, 2025

- 6:00PM LU Basketball Game

Sunday, March 2, 2025

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:45PM Choir Rehearsal
- 12:00PM Safe Sanctuary
- 4:30PM Youth Group
- 6:00PM New Small 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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