

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



BE... KIND & GOOD

1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1
BELIEVE: Lesson 27

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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

March 16, 2025

Second Sunday of Lent

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, we come seeking Your truth, Your justice, and Your kindness. Prepare our hearts to receive Your Word and our spirits to respond in eagerness to serve You. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

PRELUDE

By Our Love

NOCKELS

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† **CALL to WORSHIP**

One: In deep gratitude we come to worship God.

Many: We recognize God as the source of all goodness.

One: All good gifts come from the Spirit of God.

Many: Love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, gentleness are all of God.

One: We come with grateful hearts, not for things, but for who God is.

Many: We gather to show our gratitude in song and prayer.

All: Come, let us worship the Lord!

† **HYMN 343**

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

BEECHER

Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace,
We respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend,
Equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.

Christ's example, Christ's inspiring, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
Let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth.
Men and women, richer, poorer, all God's people, young and old,
Blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.

Thus new patterns for Christ's mission in a small or global sense,
Help us bear each other's burdens, breaking down each wall or fence.
Words of comfort, words of vision, words of challenge, said with care,
Bring new power and strength for action, make us colleagues, free and fair.

So God grant us for tomorrow ways to order human life
That surround each person's sorrow with a calm that conquers strife.
Make us partners in our living, our compassion to increase,
Messengers of faith, thus giving hope and confidence and peace.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most Holy God, we confess that we are rarely good in all our ways and far from being kind in all our actions. What we aspire to be and what we truly are are two different things. Our lives are a mix of moral strength and cowardice, kindness and meanness, openness and cunning, and sincere love for You, yet also marked by conniving self-interest. Forgive us and grant us the grace of a new beginning and the joy of an enlarged love for You. Instill in us a passion for all Your loving 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

Children are invited to meet at the courtyard doors for Children's Church in Journey Room 304.

ANTHEM

A Servant's Heart

by Mary McDonald

Let me be a splash of water falling on a thirsty land;
Let me be the touch of comfort that calms a trembling hand.
Every day, Spirit move through me.
Hear my prayer I'm asking, Father, please.
Give to me a servant's heart.

Help me be Your hands and feet.
Lord, please grant a servant's heart.

Let me be a word of promise to the one who cannot speak;
Let me be a friend so faithful to the lonely and the meek.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1

Pew Bible p. 986-987
Large Print p. 1743

SERMON

Be... Kind & Good

† HYMN STF 2222

The Servant Song

THE SERVANT SONG

Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey; we're together on this road.
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.
I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh, I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,
Born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.

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 438

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear,
And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;
And perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG

More Like You

MORE LIKE YOU

More like You, Jesus, more like You.
Fill my heart with Your desire to make me more like You.
More like You, Jesus, more like You.
Touch my lips with holy fire and make me more like You.

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

POSTLUDE

Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire

O WALY WALY

We thank Jacob Furlow (violin) for sharing his gift of music with us in worship today.

The chancel flowers today were given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Susie Champion by her sister, Meredith Pontillo.

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 0-4. Children's activity bulletins and **LARGE PRINT** bulletins, Bibles, and hymnals are available on the sanctuary tables.

St. Andrew's will collect the **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIRTHDAY OFFERING TODAY**. Use the yellow envelopes in your bulletin.

The **NEW MEMBER CLASS** is TODAY at 12:00PM in the Parlor. Lunch is provided.

Join us for a **TEXAS PROUD FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON** Sunday, March 23, immediately following the worship service! The menu is a taco bar, chips, dips, and cookies.

The **2024-2025 PW BIBLE STUDY** continues with lessons six and seven on Tuesday, March 25, at 10:00AM in the Parlor. Pastor Tara is leading the study.

We are making **EASTER BASKETS** for the residents of Harmony Care and are seeking candy donations by Monday, April 7, so we can assemble the baskets following worship on April 13.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

MEMBERS: Mary Pat Linn, Mary Miller, Bobbie Wied, Bob Fisher, Susanne Nichols, Linda Sparkman, Beth Ann Mistrot, Barbara and Dalton Abel

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Family of David Cobble, Family of Bill Mentz, Laura Verbout, Jennifer Stephenson, Gary Cone, Tenisha Humphrey, Don Linn, Jacob Walton, Charlie Monaghan, David Fertitta, Geneva Broussard, Madeline Johnson, Erika Russell, Karen Thompson Butler, Mary Kennedy, Thomas Fisher, Jack Dillard, Erin Lenhart, Janie Niederstadt Verderame

St. Andrew's Calendar

Sunday, March 16, 2025

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:45PM Choir Rehearsal
- 12:00PM New Member Class
- 12:00PM Deacons Meeting
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts
- 6:00PM Sunday Group

Monday, March 17, 2025

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

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

- 5:30PM Strings After School
- 6:30PM Session Meeting
- 6:30PM Tuesday Group

Wednesday, March 19, 2025

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

Thursday, March 20, 2025

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

Friday, March 21, 2025

OFFICE CLOSED

Sunday, March 23, 2025

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:30AM Church Luncheon
- 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts
- 6:00PM Sunday Group

CHURCH STAFF

Tara Thompson, Pastor
Thomas Furlow, Music Director
Tori Armstrong, Day School Director
Rachel Stiles, Organist
Joyce Stillwell, Admin Assistant
Katrina Strong, Custodian
Patricia Williamson, Accompanist

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