

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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

† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

November 23, 2025

Christ the King 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.*)

Slow us down, Lord, and for now simply remind us that only one thing is needful, that we be still before You and know that You are God. Amen.

PRELUDE

Harvest Hymn

by P. Grainger

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: The Word of God is planted in our hearts.

Many: May our hearts be receptive to the Word.

One: The love of God rains down on us.

Many: May our souls soak in the wonder of God's love.

One: The breath of God blows softly within us.

Many: May our minds be stirred by the power of God's Spirit.

All: Shout with joy to God, all the earth!

† **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

Holy God, we confess that we have failed to declare Jesus as the king and model for our lives. We are quick to encourage others to follow the ways of Christ but slow to do the same ourselves. We bring before You all the ways we have not lived as Your people: we stand by watching while those in need struggle, we align ourselves with those who worship power and success, we offer insults instead of words of grace, and we scoff at Your words that call us to a different way of life. Forgive us, God. Restore in us once again the commitment to become more Christlike in our words, actions, and spirit.

† 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 Room 304.

ANTHEM

God of Grace, God of Glory

arr. J. Raney

God of grace and God of glory; On Your people pour Your power;
Crown Your ancient Church's story. Bring her bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage For the facing of this hour.
Grant us hearts and hands for service Lord, On Your people pour Your holy power.

Heal Your children's warring madness, Bend our pride to Your control.
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, Rich in things and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal,
Lo! the hosts of evil round us, Scorn Your Christ, assail His ways!

Fears and doubts too long have bound us, Free our hearts to work and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, For the living of these days, For the living of these days.

Guide this church to true commitment, Let Your vision be our own;
Faith and love our earthly mission, Jesus Christ, our cornerstone.

Take our lives for joyful service, 'Til our journey leads us home,
'Til our journey leads us home. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Colossians 1:9-20

Pew Bible p. 1015
Large Print p. 1790

SERMON

King of My Life

† HYMN 263

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small; In all life Thou livest, the true life of all:
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree, Then wither and perish; but naught changeth Thee.

Thou reignest in glory, Thou rulest in light, Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render; O help us to see 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

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 447

Lead On, O King Eternal

LANCASHIRE

Lead on, O King eternal, The day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest Thy tents shall be our home:
Through days of preparation Thy grace has made us strong,
And now, O King eternal, We lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper The sweet amen of piece;
For not with swords' loud clashing, Nor roll of stirring drums;
With deeds of love and mercy The heavenly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal: We follow, not with fears;
For gladness breaks like morning Where'er Thy face appears;
Thy cross is lifted o'er us; We journey in its light:
The crown awaits the conquest; Lead on O God of might.

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG

When I Had Not Yet Learned of Jesus
To be God's servant in this earthly life,
No matter if the task is great or small,
This is my charge: to witness faithfully,
Strengthened by Christ who is my all in all.

EVENTIDE

POSTLUDE

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

The chancel flowers today were given to the glory of God and
in heartfelt appreciation for all the members and friends of SAPC by Pastor Tara.

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.

It's time to deck the halls! Join the SAPC family TODAY for **ADVENT DECORATING** at 4PM. Pizza, drinks, and cookies to follow.

THE CHURCH OFFICE CLOSes at 12:30PM on November 26 and is closed for Thanksgiving, November 27.

BOOK CLUB meets on December 4 at 1PM in the church parlor. Join us as we discuss our cozy mystery reads.

MEN'S BREAKFAST will meet in the parlor on December 5 at 7AM for food, fellowship, and a short devotional.

If you would like to order Christmas flowers in honor or memory of loved ones, **POINSETTIA ORDER** forms can be found in the church office and online. The deadline for orders is December 11. Flowers are \$15 each.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

MEMBERS: Bill Yoes, Bruce Partain, John Pember, Pat Richard, Suzy Buehrle, Linda Sparkman, Bobbie Weid, Bob Fisher, Barbara Abel, Dalton Abel

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Patti Thomas, Elle Siekman, Bruce Williams, Jean and Ron Williamson, Quinn Long, David Fertitta, George Busceme, Charlie Monaghan, Judy Monaghan, Shirley Owens, Florence Brandshaw, Rachel Edwards, Haywood Walker, Pamela Humphrey, Janet Dexter, Alison Berry Low, Kenna Gordon, Tenisha Humphrey, Jacob Walton, Madeline Johnson, Mary Kennedy, Thomas Fisher, Jack Dillard, Erin Lenhart, Janie N. Verderame

St. Andrew's Calendar

Sunday, November 23, 2025

9:15AM Sunday School
10:30AM Worship
11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
3:00PM Boy Scouts
4:00PM Advent Decorating

Monday, November 24, 2025

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

Tuesday, November 25, 2025

5:30PM Strings After School

Wednesday, November 26, 2025

8:30AM MOW Cooks
10:00AM MOW Delivers
12:30PM Office Closed
5:30PM AA Group Meeting
5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal

Thursday, November 27, 2025

OFFICE CLOSED
HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Friday, November 28, 2025

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, November 29, 2025

OFFICE CLOSED

Sunday, November 30, 2025

9:15AM Sunday School
10:30AM Worship
11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
3:00PM Boy Scouts

CHURCH STAFF

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

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