



ST. ANDY'S REVIEW

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UPCOMING SERMONS

APRIL 2 (7PM)
Maundy Thursday
**Service of Scripture,
Symbols, and Songs**

APRIL 5
The Voice of Victory
Mark 16:1-8

APRIL 12
Good News!
Matthew 4:12-23

APRIL 19
**Speaking of Jesus:
Identify**
Mark 10:46-52

APRIL 26
**Speaking of Jesus:
Intercede**
Ezekiel 22:23-31

MAY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

Please call or email the office with
newsletter submissions on or
before **April 23, 2026.**

Speaking About Jesus: Everyday Evangelism



On April 19, we start a new sermon series called **Speaking About Jesus**. This title reflects the two-prong approach we will use as we grow in evangelism.

On one hand, we'll be **speaking about Jesus**, learning what Scripture says about sharing our faith, hearing stories of life change, and being reminded of the Good News we've received. On the other hand, we want to become people who are **speaking about Jesus** in our everyday lives, at home, at work, at school, and in our neighborhoods.

Each week will focus on a simple step in evangelism:

Identify: Seeing the people God has already placed in our lives.

Intercede: Praying for them by name before we speak.

Intersect: Letting our lives cross paths with purpose.

Invite: Opening the door with warm, respectful invitations.

Include: Creating space for others in our lives and church family.

Influence: Letting Christ shape our attitudes and actions.

Involve: Joining together in God's mission as a church.

My prayer is that by the end of this series, evangelism will feel less like a scary word and more like a natural outflow of loving Jesus and loving others. I invite you to pray, participate each week, and look for opportunities to start **speaking about Jesus** in simple, everyday conversations.

-Pastor Tara

April birthdays

- Apr. 6 Harold Neeley
- Apr. 6 Leslie Pember
- Apr. 6 Mary Ann Roe
- Apr. 10 Tammy Markum
- Apr. 13 Judy Wells
- Apr. 16 Hayes Schwarzlose
- Apr. 20 Judy Phillips
- Apr. 21 Jude Reese
- Apr. 30 Mike Platt

In Our Prayers

In the Congregation

Family of Tom Bell, Andy Loker, Becky Thomspson, John Pember, Bob Fisher, Pat Richard, Bobbie Wied, Suzy Buehrle, Barbara and Dalton Abel

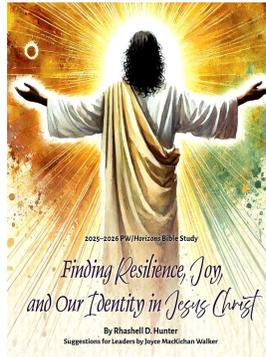
Friends and Family

David Fertitta, George Busceme, Charlie and Judy Monaghan, Bruce Williams, Jean and Ron Williamson, Haywood Walker, Pamela Humphrey, Janet Dexter, Alison Berry Low, Tenisha Humphrey, Jacob Walton, Madeline Johnson, Erika Russell, Mary Kennedy, Jack Dillard, Erin Lenhart, Janie N. Verderame



We will collect the **PCUSA One Great Hour of Sharing** offering on **Sunday, March 29**. Each gift to OGHS supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Each program works in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



Join us for Bible study on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 10:00 AM in the Parlor. We are studying *Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ*. Pastor Tara will continue the study on **April 28**, with lesson seven entitled *The Woman Who Was Bent Over* based on the passage from Luke 13:10-17.

PW SPRING GATHERING

The Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of New Covenant invite you to their Spring Gathering on **April 11**, held at First Presbyterian Church Navasota (302 Nolan Street, Navasota, TX 77868). Worship leaders Rev. Janell Blair and Rev. Jeannie Corbitt Cardona will lead. The theme this year is Finding Joy in Jesus, Others, and Yourself! If interested, contact Maryann Sweeney.





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

April 5	The Resurrection	Mark 16:1-8
April 12	God Gives Peter Power to Heal a Crippled Beggar	Acts 3
April 19	God Helps Stephen Forgive His Enemies	Acts 7
April 26	God Sends Philip to an Ethiopian	Acts 8:26-40

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.

YOUTH SCHEDULE



New Series: REFLECTIONS

Most of us want to be authentic. Many of us seek a place where someone loves us for who we truly are, not for who we pretend to be. But we're often unsure where that place is. We want to ensure that the world sees only the version of us we want them to see. However, the Bible tells us we are children of God, loved and treasured just as we are. Over the next two weeks, we will challenge students to look at themselves and dare to be real because what God sees in our reflection is very different from what we see.

4/5: Easter Brunch, No Youth Group

4/12: Bowling after VBS meeting

4/19: MASKS: Genesis 12:10-20; 1 John 4:19; 1 John 3:1

4/26: UNCOVERED: Genesis 12:10-20; 1 John 4:19; 1 John 3:1

ADULT CLASSES

After the Lenten churchwide study, each group will begin their own study. Consider joining one of these exciting classes and grow with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Bible Discovery: This group is for men and women of all ages. Meetings take place on Sunday mornings at 9:15AM in the library. Led by Bruce Partain and Harry Watts. The study will continue with *Being Presbyterian in a Dysvangelical America* by Rev. Ted Foote and P. Alex Thornburg.

Pew Sisters: Pew Sisters is a group for women of all ages, and meets at 9:15AM on Sunday mornings in Room 2. Led by Charlotte Schwarzlose. They will continue the study with *Tame Your Thoughts* by Max Lucado.

Fellowship: This group is for men and women of all ages. Meetings take place on Sunday mornings at 9:15AM in Room 3. Led by Jan Pember. Beginning April 19, they will begin a 6 week study entitled *Dietrich Bonhoeffer: Costly Grace* by Dale and Sandy Larsen.

Tuesday Group: This group is for men and women of all ages and meets at 6:30PM on Tuesday evenings in the study. Led by Howard Nichols and Karen Spivey. This group will conclude with the Lenten study on until April 14.



Become a part of our team!

We're Hiring!

Part-time Administrative Assistant

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church continues to seek a part-time Administrative Assistant for Monday through Thursday, 11:30AM - 4:30PM. This position is a good fit for anyone with strong organizational and office skills seeking an enriching part-time opportunity. **Help spread the word!**

Applicants must have a minimum of a high school diploma or equivalent and must be 18 years of age or older. Hourly pay starts at \$15 but depends on experience and qualifications. If you would like to apply, please send your resume to our personnel team at church@saintandy.org. To read the full job description, please visit: <https://saintandy.org/events-media/job-postings>.

KINDNESS KITS

St. Andrew's volunteers enjoyed each other's company while creating kindness kits. The kindness kits are assembled for the homeless in our community and include essential items such as toiletries, non-perishable snacks, and warm socks. St. Andrew's volunteers demonstrated the power of small acts of kindness, reminding everyone that a little compassion can go a long way to brighten someone's day. Be sure to pick some up and take them to someone in need in the community.



EASTER BASKETS FOR HARMONY CARE

Thank you to everyone who generously donated delicious candy and treats to create 55 Easter baskets for the residents of Harmony Care. We also want to express our appreciation to all those who lent their time and effort to assemble these baskets. The thoughtfulness and kindness shown through these contributions of donations and time were greatly appreciated by all involved.



APRIL 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 9:00AM Choir Rehearsal 9:30AM Easter Brunch 10:30AM Worship	6 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED DAY SCHOOL WORKDAY 5:00PM Day School Board 5:30PM Strings After School 6:00PM Golden Triangle Square Dancers	7 10:00PM PW Coordinating 11:30AM Staff Meeting 5:30PM Strings After School 5:30PM Fellowship 6:30PM Christian Education	8 9:30AM Day School Chapel 5:30PM AA Group 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal 5:30PM Personnel Team 6:30PM Worship Team	9 8:30AM MOW Cooks 10:00AM MOW Delivers 6:00PM AA Group 6:00PM GTHE Rehearsal	10 7:00AM Men's Breakfast	11 8:30AM SETX Food Bank
12 9:15AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal 11:45AM VBS Meeting 12:00PM Deacons Meeting 1:00PM Youth Bowling 3:00PM Boy Scouts	13 12:00PM Rainbow Room 5:30PM Strings After School 6:00PM Golden Triangle Square Dancers	14 5:30PM Strings After School 6:30PM Tuesday Group	15 9:30AM Day School Chapel 5:30PM AA Group 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal 5:30PM Board of Trustees	16 8:30AM MOW Cooks 10:00AM MOW Delivers 6:00PM AA Group	17	18
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HOLY WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

PASSION SUNDAY

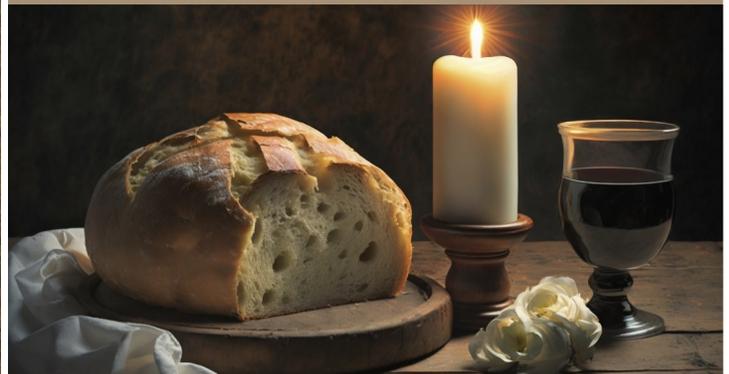
March 29 at 10:30AM

Join us as we remember Christ's suffering on the cross. Our worship will serve as a time for us to reflect on our lives in light of Christ's ultimate sacrifice with special music and a message from Mark 15:25-41.

"But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed." Isaiah 53:5

MAUNDY THURSDAY APRIL 2 AT 7:00PM

Join us for communion, special music, and prayer reflections focused on Jesus' final hours.



I will sing of the LORD'S great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations. - Psalm 89:1

St. Andy's Easter Brunch Potluck

9:30AM on Easter Sunday, April 5
in the Fellowship Hall



A-M: bring something sweet
N-Z: bring something savory

Easter Sunday

APRIL 5 AT 10:30AM

Join us in celebrating Christ's Resurrection with special music including a full choir, brass, woodwinds, percussion, harpsichord, and handbells and a special time for children.

"I have seen the Lord!"
John 20:18

UPCOMING EVENTS



EGG HUNT

March 29 after lunch

Children and Youth are invited to participate in a traditional egg hunt.

A graphic for a book club featuring pink and white flowers, a stack of three books (red, pink, and green), and the text "Book Club" in a cursive font.

Book Club

APRIL 2 • 1:00 • PARLOR

We will discuss our classic books.



First Friday Men's Breakfast

**April 3 at 7AM
in the Parlor**

Join us for food, fellowship, & prayer!

FOUNDATION LUNCHEON



PROTECTING WHAT MATTERS

Date: March 29, 2026

Time: 11:45AM

Location: Fellowship Hall

The St. Andrew's Foundation cordially invites you to a complimentary luncheon featuring legal expert Jennifer Nichols.

Join us for an informative session on estate planning and charitable giving, followed by Q&A.

What kind of legacy will you leave?

REMINDER:

**St. Andrew's
Foundation
Scholarship
Applications due on
Sunday, April 12.**



ST. ANDY'S HANDBELLS



If you enjoy music and fellowship (or if you want to be in a choir but don't want to sing!), consider joining the St. Andrew's Handbell Choir in 2026. Led by Martha Giarratano, rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 5:30PM-6:30PM. The bell choir blesses the congregation in worship several times a year, especially in the Lenten and Advent seasons. Musical experience is not a requirement, but it is certainly a plus. To learn more, contact Martha or the church office.

CHOIR SINGERS NEEDED



Chancel Choir is back in full swing, and all are welcome. Now is a great time to join! They meet on Sundays at 9AM and then again from 11:45AM-12:30PM. If you have any questions, please contact the church office or Thomas Furlow.

CONFIRMATION CLASS



The 2026 Confirmation students are already three-fifths of the way through the classes. Continue to pray for them on this journey of faith exploration and discipleship! **The next class is April 19 at 11:30AM.**

CHANCEL FLOWERS



Fresh flowers can be given for the chancel in worship on Sunday mornings in memory or honor of loved ones. A standard arrangement is \$80. If you would like to sponsor the chancel flowers, email the church office or use the flower calendar outside the main office.

THE STORIES A TABLE CAN TELL



At the June Luncheon honoring our graduates, we will enjoy our Second Annual Table Stories, featuring centerpieces created by St. Andrew's members. It provides a

unique opportunity for us to have the fun of working on a project together. All family members, siblings, moms and children, grandparents, couples, friends, committee members, or total strangers can experience the special time this event can foster. After last year's event when participants were thanked for their effort they all replied, "It was so much fun!" It's easy. Just think of your favorite vacation spot, sport or team, school/college, time at the beach, family member, hobby, movie star, musician, Bible verse, poem, or play. The list is endless.

The scoop on all you need to know: At the June 28, 2026 luncheon, create a centerpiece for one round table. During the event tell us why you chose your theme and two facts about yourself which most people don't know, You can be brief. This is a great way for us to get to know each other better.

If you would like to decorate a table, please contact Barbara Warren.

ST. ANDREW'S DAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION



Great news! Registration for the 2026 Summer Semester has begun! We've expanded our schedule to include Mondays and added two pickup times, 12:30 and 2:30. In previous years we offered Tuesday–Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., but this summer families will have more flexibility with the updated options.

Registration for the Fall 2026-2027 semester has also kicked off, and we're excited to get the new school year rolling. Families can take advantage of our Early Bird registration fee of \$225 now through March 23—a perfect chance to secure your spot and save.

The day school provides a supportive and nurturing environment for children twelve months to four years old. For more information, check the St. Andrew's website, or call 409-892-8246.

VBS VOLUNTEERS LUNCHEON

We are *still seeking additional volunteers* for VBS that will be held June 16-18. An informational luncheon will be hosted to facilitate the organization and assignment of duties for the volunteers who have already committed their services and to answer any questions for anyone that wants to volunteer. We believe that God will use this program to reach many children with the message of His love, so please prayerfully consider your role in our church's VBS.

When: **April 12 after Worship**
Location: **Fellowship Hall**



We need volunteers who can give time, energy, and love to the kids who will attend. So let us share a few ideas on how you can help. Please check out the following list, and then pray about where God might use you:

Teachers: Use easy-to-follow curriculum and prepare a session for each day as you lead children in one of the following areas:

Music, crafts and missions, games, snacks, storytelling

Group Leaders: Shepherd a group of children through each day's activities...and there's no preparation!

Administration and Preparation: Help with behind-the-scenes tasks to ensure a smooth week.
Registration/check-in, decorating, photographer

Whatever your gifts, abilities, and time commitment, we've got a spot for you!

Feel free to contact Pastor Tara by e-mail, phone, or in person if you have any questions. We want to express our sincere appreciation to those who have already given their abilities and made snowflakes. We are still in need of a lot more!

TEX-MEX LUNCHEON

The Tex-Mex lunch at St. Andrew's was enjoyed by all! The taco bar was a huge hit, and the chips and dip were devoured quickly. And of course, no Tex-Mex lunch is complete without a generous supply of cookies, which were also a favorite. A heartfelt thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who made this event a delicious occasion!



YOUTH SUMMER CAMPS

Pastor Tara and our youth leaders are taking students to summer camp at Mo-Ranch in Hunt, TX. There is a **\$50 registration fee** per camper. **The deadline to sign up is April 19.**



If you are interested in attending or have questions, please speak with Pastor Tara.

YOUTH CELEBRATION: JUNE 21 - JUNE 25

Youth Celebration is a conference for high school students who have completed 9th-12th grade, featuring a week filled with exploration of faith, worship, new friends, and recreation. This conference begins on Sunday evening with the “big hello” and concludes with the “big goodbye” on Friday morning. Conference activities include energizers, keynote presentations, worship and music, small groups, afternoon recreation, and evening vespers.

For more information visit: <https://www.moranch.org/attend-a-conference/conferences-for-youth/youth-celebration/>

JR. HIGH JUBILEE: JULY 5 - JULY 9

During Jr. High Jubilee, students who have completed 6th through 8th grade come together to be inspired to grow in their faith by learning and living the words and deeds of our Lord Jesus Christ. Hundreds of youth participants will gather in the Hill Country for an unforgettable Mo-Ranch experience filled with new friends, spiritual enrichment, worship, study, and recreation. Activities and recreation will include everything from taking on the challenge of the Mo ropes course, dancing, games, energizers, vespers, and popsicle parties, to aquathons, sports, evening movies, swimming in the beautiful Guadalupe, singing God’s praises, and more!

For more visit information: <https://www.moranch.org/attend-a-conference/conferences-for-youth/junior-high-jubilee/>

NEW ST. ANDY’S SHIRTS



St. Andrew's polo shirts are available for pre-order! Shirts are \$20 each (add \$3 for 2X and larger). Payment *must* be submitted with the order. Shirts will be a polyester tricot sport material which

wicks moisture and resists snags. Shirts will be available in a women’s cut V-neck or a men’s three button collar style. Size charts and sample shirts will be available for you to review when placing your order.

Please submit your order and payment to the church office by **April 30, 2026**. Order forms are available in the church office, on the sanctuary tables, and online at www.saintandy.org.

	SIZE (Women’s or Men’s)	PRICE
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2		
3		
TOTAL DUE		

NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: _____



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New Member Class

Sunday, April 26 at 12:00PM

This class is a great way to learn more about our beliefs, history, and traditions. Attending does not commit you to joining. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to the church office by **April 23.**

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