



# ST. ANDY'S REVIEW

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## SERMONS

MAY 3  
**Speaking of Jesus:  
Intersect**  
Acts 8:26-40

MAY 10  
**Speaking of Jesus:  
Invite**  
Acts 17:16-34

MAY 17  
**Speaking of Jesus:  
Include**  
Jonah 4:1-11

MAY 24  
Pentecost & Confirmation  
**Speaking of Jesus:  
Influence**  
John 15:9-17

MAY 31  
**Speaking of Jesus:  
Involve**  
Acts 11:1-18

## Speaking of Jesus: The With-Me Principle



Acts 16:5 gives us a powerful picture of healthy church growth: believers were “strengthened in the faith and grew daily in numbers.” In Acts 16:1-5, Paul revisits young churches, brings Silas, and invites Timothy to join him in ministry. The result is not accidental growth, but growth rooted in discipleship, sound teaching, and intentional follow-up.

This passage also highlights the with-me principle of discipleship. Just as Jesus called the twelve to be with Him before sending them out, Paul brought Timothy alongside him to learn through shared life and ministry. Church renewal does not happen through isolated leadership, but through investing in others, building teams, and strengthening believers in truth.

If we want to be a vibrant, mission-focused church today, we must move beyond maintenance and commit to discipleship that multiplies. Who is God calling you to strengthen, mentor, or invite alongside you in ministry? Take one step this week: invest in someone, invite them to serve with you, and help build a church that is strong in faith and growing in mission, a church where people **experience the love of Jesus and the joy of community.**

*-Pastor Tara*

### JUNE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

Please call or email the office with newsletter submissions on or before **May 21.**

**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.**



- May 1 Don Shaver
- May 7 Ann Harmon
- May 8 Mark Champion
- May 8 Tucker Cobb
- May 9 Karen Spivey
- May 10 Patricia Williamson
- May 12 Mike Warren
- May 13 Jordan Reese
- May 15 Layla Collins
- May 16 Paul Goebel
- May 19 Jennifer Nichols
- May 19 Becky Thompson
- May 21 Keyah Keller
- May 28 Carl Montano
- May 29 Brian Armstrong
- May 29 Steve Odle
- May 31 Jamie Goebel

If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer.

Matthew 21:22

## In Our Prayers

### In the Congregation

John Pember, Family of Suzy Buehrle, Bob Fisher, Pat Richard, Bobbie Wied, Barbara and Dalton Abel

### Friends and Family

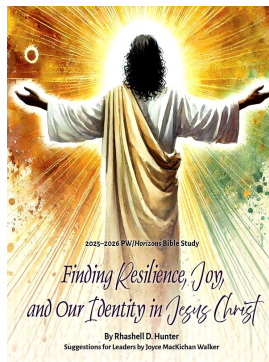
Roger and Sharon McCabe, John Florio, Elizabeth Everett Baird, David Fertitta, George Busceme, Charlie and Judy Monaghan, Bruce Williams, Jean and Ron Williamson, Haywood Walker, Pamela Humphrey, Janet Dexter, Alison Berry Low, Tenisha Humphrey, Jacob Walton, Madeline Johnson, Erika Russell, Mary Kennedy,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

## PW SPRING GATHERING

Georgia Wright, Diane Ruth, Sarah Bardwell, Greta Ott, and Maryann Sweeney represented our church at the Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of New Covenant spring gathering in Navasota, Texas. Additionally, Maryann was installed as Cluster 3 coordinator. This year's theme was, *Finding Joy in Jesus, Others and Yourself*. All of us had a meaningful time of fellowship, worship and inspiring workshops. Get with Maryann if you would like to attend the event next year.



## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



Join us for the final PW Bible study before the summer break. We will gather on **May 26 at 10:00 AM** in the Parlor. We are studying *Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ*. Pastor Tara will lead lessons 7 & 8 entitled *Remembering Jesus' Baptism and When You Are Walking with Jesus: The Road to Emmaus*. After the study we will have our annual salad luncheon.

## PW ANNUAL SALAD LUNCHEON

You are invited to the Annual Presbyterian Women's Potluck Salad Luncheon, which will be held on **May 26th**. Following the PW Bible Study, we will gather for this delightful luncheon. We would be so pleased if you would bring a friend along, and, of course, your most cherished salad recipe to share with everyone! We look forward to celebrating together.



# 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**

<b>May 3</b>	God Changes Saul's Life	Acts 9:1-19
<b>May 10</b>	God Helps Silas and Paul Escape Prison	Acts 16:16-40
<b>May 17</b>	God uses Timothy's Gifts	1 Timothy 4:6-16; 6:11-21; 2 Timothy 1:3-18
<b>May 24</b>	God Sends Aquila and Priscilla to Help Paul	Acts 18:1-23
<b>May 31</b>	Jesus Is Coming Back for Us	Revelation 21-22

Following the Time for Children in worship, children in Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> 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

**Youth Group meets on Sundays 4:30-6PM  
for any student in grades 6-12.**



**This month, we will explore the ways God chooses to intersect with His people—to intersect with us—and the purpose He serves through that intersection: bringing the kingdom of Heaven to Earth through us.**

**MAY 3**

**Dwell**

**Exodus 19:3-6; 25:8-9**

**MAY 10**

**No Youth, Happy Mother's Day**

**MAY 17**

**Inhabit**

**Hebrews 8:8-12; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20**

**MAY 24**

**No Youth, Confirmation Celebration**

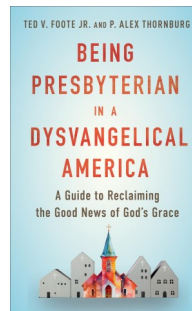
**MAY 31**

**Reveal**

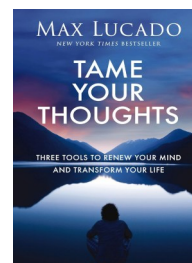
**Revelation 21:1-5**

## ADULT CLASSES

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. Continuing the study 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. Studying the book entitled *Dietrich Bonhoeffer: Costly Grace* by Dale and Sandy Larsen.

# HARMONY CARE BASKETS DELIVERED

We are pleased to announce that Mike Dove successfully delivered the 55 Easter baskets that St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church meticulously assembled. Our heartfelt gratitude extends to each and every individual who generously donated their valuable time, unwavering effort, and of course candy and snacks, all of which were instrumental in making this heartwarming initiative a resounding success.



## MAYOR'S COALITION AGAINST VIOLENCE COMMUNITY MEETING

Upcoming Mentorship Training

May 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 10AM

Lakeside Center Meeting Room



Next Coalition Meeting

May 12<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30PM

Lakeside Center Auditorium



## MOW Driver Needed

The St. Andrew's Meals on Wheels program delivers hot, nutritious meals to homebound folks in Beaumont who aren't able to cook or shop for themselves. **Right now, the MOW team is in need of a driver to deliver a route on the third Thursday of each month.** Delivering only takes about an hour. If you are willing and able to volunteer, contact Susan Reese or the Church Office.

## DEADLINE EXTENDED



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 **May 17**. Order forms are available in the church office, on the sanctuary tables, and online at [www.saintandy.org](http://www.saintandy.org).

## ST. ANDY'S PRAYER LIST

The St. Andy's Prays email goes out once a week on Wednesday at 1:00PM. Contact the church office via phone or email, or using the Connect Card in your pews, to add prayer requests. Prayer requests will be automatically removed after two weeks if there are no updates. This does not apply to long-term prayer requests.

Due to the confidential nature of these emails, they are sent to church members only. If you are a member and not receiving this weekly update but would like to be included, please contact us by emailing [church@saintandy.org](mailto:church@saintandy.org).



# Vacation Bible School

June 16 - June 18

9:15 a.m. to Noon

Ages 4 - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Don't forget to register at  
[myvbs.org/saintandybmt](http://myvbs.org/saintandybmt)  
or scan the QR Code



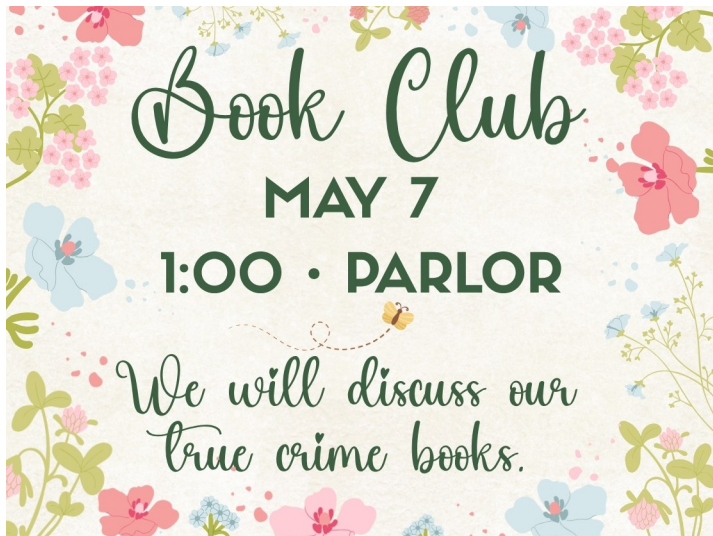


# MAY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 9:15AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship 11:30AM VBS Meeting 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal 12:30PM Confirmation Class 3:00PM Boy Scouts 4:30PM Youth Group	4 5:00PM Day School Board 6:00PM Golden Triangle Square Dancers	5 10:00PM PW Coordinating 11:30AM Staff Meeting 5:30PM Strings After School 5:30PM Fellowship Team 6:00PM GTHE Rehearsal 6:30PM Christian Education	6 8:15AM SK @ SOP 9:30AM Day School Chapel 4:30PM Mission-Evangelism 5:30PM AA Group 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal	7 8:30AM MOW Cooks 10:00AM MOW Delivers 1:00PM Book Club 6:00PM AA Group 6:00PM GTHE Rehearsal	8 7:00AM Men's Breakfast	9 8:30AM SETX Food Bank
10 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY 9:15AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal 3:00PM GTHE Concert	11 12:00PM Rainbow Room 5:30PM Strings After School 6:00PM Golden Triangle Square Dancers	12 5:30PM Strings After School 5:30PM Finance & Property	13 9:30AM Day School Chapel 5:30PM AA Group 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal 6:30PM Worship Team	14 8:30AM MOW Cooks 10:00AM MOW Delivers 6:00PM AA Group	15	16
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**KEY**  
MOW = Meals On Wheels  
PW = Presbyterian Women  
SK @ SOP = Soup Kitchen at Some Other Place  
GTHE = Golden Triangle Handbells Ensemble

## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Book Club**  
**MAY 7**  
**1:00 • PARLOR**

*We will discuss our true crime books.*



**First Friday Men's Breakfast**  
**May 1 at 7AM**  
**in the Parlor**

Join us for  
food,  
fellowship,  
& prayer!



**CONFIRMATION  
CELEBRATION**  
**MAY 24**  
**after worship**

**MENU: PULLED PORK  
SANDWICHES,  
COLESLAW, CHIPS,  
WATERMELON, CAKE**

## FOUNDATION LUNCH

On March 29, the Foundation hosted an informative meeting on estate planning and charitable giving, featuring insights from legal expert, Jennifer Nichols. Jennifer provided



valuable guidance on how to effectively manage assets, minimize taxes, and ensure that personal and philanthropic goals are met. Participants had the opportunity to engage in discussions, ask questions, and gain a deeper understanding of how to leave a lasting legacy through thoughtful planning. The meeting highlighted the significance of aligning one's estate plans with their values and the potential positive impact on both beneficiaries and charitable organizations.

## A NOTE FROM JOYCE

After a lot of prayer and discussions with my family, I've decided that it is time to resign from my position effective May 28. This was not an easy decision, but due to ongoing health concerns, I need to step away from my role at the church and focus fully on my recovery. I'm incredibly grateful for the opportunity to have been able to serve these last 2 and a half years. Serving at St. Andrew's has been a meaningful experience, and I am grateful for the opportunities, the guidance, and the relationships I've built. I care deeply about the church and its mission, and I would absolutely love to stay connected. I sincerely hope that once my health improves, and if the timing ever aligns again in the future, I'd welcome the chance to serve at St. Andrew's again.

Over the coming weeks, I will do my best to ensure a smooth transition and assist in any way needed before my departure. Thank you for everyone's unconditional support and understanding.

# EASTER EGG HUNT

The children enjoyed the Easter egg hunt, which was followed by exciting games and the added fun of confetti eggs. The event was a delightful way to celebrate the season. We are incredibly grateful to everyone who contributed their time and efforts to make this event successful.



# 2026 Nominating Committee Needs Your Help!

Who encourages and inspires you in faithful things? Who uses their actions and their words to share the love of Christ with others? In whom do you see compassion, good judgment, dedication, or spiritual character? In other words, who do you see in the halls of St. Andrew's living their lives as disciples of Jesus Christ?

The 2026 Nominating Committee is at work discerning God's call for the next class of elders, deacons, trustees, board members for the Foundation and Day School, as well as persons from the congregation for the 2027 Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee would like your input as they prayerfully seek the right candidates to fill these church leadership positions. **Please submit your nominations no later than May 17.** Officers for the Class of 2029 will be elected by our congregation at the Fall meeting.

**Elders**, together with the minister, constitute the governing body of our church called the Session, which is responsible for the spiritual welfare and ministry of the congregation, as well as the oversight of the financial and day-to-day operations of the church.

**Deacons** are women and men whose responsibility consists of leading the church by expressing Christian love and concern for those in the community who have special needs, as well as those in the hospital, nursing homes, and those who may be homebound.

**Trustees** are legal signatories for matters of the Congregation in its status as a corporation and administer the business of the church in matters of property, the memorial garden fund, and the investment fund.

**SAPC's Foundation** was established to provide support for the activities of the church through the gifts, donations, and bequests of its members. The committee, in coordination with its investment advisor, is responsible for overseeing and monitoring the Foundation funds to ensure its long-term viability and that its investment objectives are being met.

**The Day School Board** provides leadership and direction in partnership with the Director to ensure the school runs smoothly and maintains compliance with all state licensing regulations.

**The Nominating Committee** nominates persons to serve in the offices of elder, deacon, trustee, and foundation board by identifying persons to serve in leadership for the congregation.

All nominees should be committed Christian women and men who are involved in the church's life, enthusiastic for its mission, and consistent in their worship participation.

## 2026 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

**Session Representation:** Susan Reese, Maryann Sweeney

**Diaconate Representation:** Judy Fisher

**Members-at-Large Representation:** Tori Armstrong, Mark Champion, Jan Pember,  
Billy Singletary

Pray that we will all remain open to hearing and responding to God's voice calling the women and men God has already chosen to lead our church into the next years of ministry and mission.

# REMINDER: DAY SCHOOL NOW REGISTERING



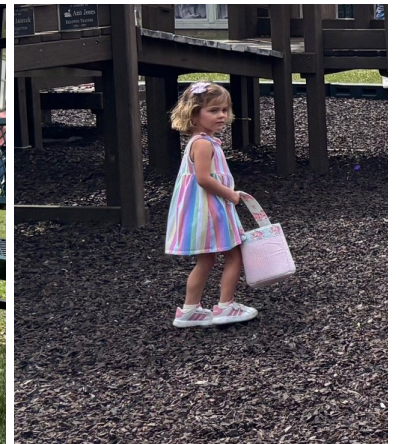
**Don't Forget! Registration for the 2026 Summer Semester has begun!** We've expanded our schedule to include Mondays and added two pickup times, 12:30 and 2:30. In previous years we offered Tuesday–Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., but this summer families will have more flexibility with the updated options.

**Registration for the Fall 2026-2027 semester has also kicked off, and we're excited to get the new school year rolling.**

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.

## ST. ANDREW'S DAY SCHOOL EASTER EGG HUNT

The Day School had an exciting Easter egg hunt that brought joy and laughter to students, teachers, and parents alike. The event was held in the school's spacious playground, which was transformed into a colorful landscape filled with hidden treasures. Children eagerly searched for brightly colored eggs. We also had some fantastic prizes for the winners! Everyone enjoyed a delightful snack afterwards. It was a wonderful way to celebrate the season and community.



# EASTER WORSHIP

We had a wonderful Easter celebration! The Easter brunch was a delightful start to the day, followed by a truly spectacular worship service. We celebrated Christ's Resurrection with beautiful music and a special time for children. It was a day that reminded everyone of the beauty of togetherness and the power of positive moments to uplift the Spirit. Christ is Risen!



# EASTER WORSHIP



## MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBER

## MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP



Susan Armstrong was born in San Antonio and lived in Waco for 55 years. She moved to Beaumont in March to be near her son Brian and his family. She is a retired office manager for the Economics Department at Baylor University where for 30 years she enjoyed getting to know the

students and learning about their various cultures and backgrounds. Susan is very interested in genealogy and is proud to note she is related to the first governor of Texas, Pickney Henderson as well as being descended from one of the original minutemen and a gunman for Washington in the Revolutionary War. Her favorite Bible verses are: Ephesians 2:8-9; John 13:34-35; and Mark 12:30-31.



St. Andy's gathered on Maundy Thursday with communion, special music, and prayer reflections. It was a sacred time of remembering Jesus' final hours and His death upon the cross. We sat with the darkness and grief, acknowledging the weight of Jesus' suffering and the silence of the tomb. We concluded the service by spreading a handful of potpourri on the wrapped form symbolizing Christ's burial, expressing our gratitude to Jesus for His sacrifice, which is a sweet fragrance before God and the source of our forgiveness and hope.



# ST. ANDREW'S

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## *Golden Triangle Handbell Ensemble*

### Mother's Day Concert Sunday, May 10 3:00PM

*St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church*



# MEMORIAL DAY — MAY 25TH — CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED