

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



The Weight of the World Mark 14:17-42

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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

† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

March 1, 2026

2nd 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.*)

Loving God, You have given me the gift of this new day, and You send me out to live it fully and well. Help me to be attentive to Your direction and leading. Whatever this day may hold, I trust that You will keep me in all my comings and goings. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

PRELUDE

Go to Dark Gethsemane

arr. Philip Moore

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: A table is set before us.

Many: A feast is prepared for us.

One: The Lord calls us to this supper of remembrance.

Many: The Lord serves us and calls us to serve.

One: As we break the bread and share the cup,

Many: Our understanding may fail us.

One: But we will never forget Christ's example.

Many: We will never forget the full extent of His love.

All: Come, let us worship the Lord.

† **HYMN INSERT**

Jesus of Nazareth

by Charles H. Gabriel

I stood in the garden of Gethsemane,
Whose ages old olive trees whispered to me;
When One I saw enter its shadows alone,
And heard His heartbroken appeal to the throne.

Chorus: 'Twas Jesus of Nazareth, Master divine!
My blessed redeemer, my Savior and thine!
Neglected, deserted, forgotten, in shame,
Alone to the garden at midnight He came.

He prayed in the silence that hallowed the place,
And lo! Drops of blood kissed His agonized face!
“Not my will, but Thine be done!” Who could it be,
In sorrow and grief interceding for me?

Again on the cross where He suffered and died,
Blasphemed by the rabble, deserted, denied;
I hear Him still praying, know it was I
For whom He, my Lord, condescended to die!

One bread is ours for sharing, One single fruitful wine,
Our fellowship declaring Renewed in bread and wine;
Renewed, sustained, and given By token, sign, and word,
The pledge and seal of heaven, The love of Christ our Lord.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we come before You in need of forgiveness and grace. You call us to trust in You completely, but we do not. We are timid and fearful as we follow Your lead. We justify our actions and words, though we know they are not what You require. We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to be born again into the life of Christ, trusting that You have included us by grace in the family of faith.

† 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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 14:17-42

Pew Bible p. 873-874
Large Print p. 1549-1550

SERMON

The Weight of the World

ANTHEM

Gethsemane

by Lloyd Larson

No welcome at the garden gate, No light beneath the ancient trees;
The twisted trunks in shadows stand While branches rattle in the breeze. Gethsemane.

No leaf found on the olive tree, No healing oil, no sign of peace;
No comfort from the chosen friends, No solace in Gethsemane.

Abba, take this cup from Me, Yet not My will, but Yours be done.
A soul with sorrows overwhelmed Now bears the weight of destiny,
Alone He drinks the bitter cup, And goes to die for you and me.
Kneel with the One who knows your pain And feel His touch so tender.

Then, in a whispered Not my will, Find strength in full surrender.

† 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

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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.

† HYMN STF 2263

Broken for Me

TABLE OF MERCY

Refrain: Broken for me, broken for you,
The body of Jesus, broken for you.

He offered His body; He poured out His soul;
Jesus was broken that we might be whole.

Come to My table and with Me dine;
Eat of My bread and drink of My wine.

This is My body given for you;
Eat it, remembering I died for you.

This is My blood I shed for you,
For your forgiveness, making you new.

The body of Jesus, broken for you.

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

O WALY WALY

No end there is! We depart in peace, He loves beyond the uttermost;
In every room in our Father's house, Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.

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

POSTLUDE

To See the King of Heaven Fall: Gethsemane Hymn

GARDEN PRAYER

The chancel flowers today were given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Paul Petit, our Pop-Pop,
on his Texas Independence Day birthday by the Petit family.

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.

The churchwide **LENTEN STUDY**, *24 Hours That Changed the World*, continues. Join a discussion group, either Sunday mornings at 9:15AM in the upstairs classrooms or Tuesday evenings at 6:30PM in the study.

St. Andrew's is hosting a **LIFE SHARE BLOOD DRIVE** on Wednesday, March 4, at 4PM in the Fellowship Hall.

BOOK CLUB will meet on March 5 at 1PM in the church parlor. We will discuss our memoir reading selections.

MEN'S BREAKFAST will meet in the parlor on March 6 at 7AM for food, fellowship, and a short devotional.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME begins on March 8! Don't forget to turn your clocks an hour forward on March 7.

EASTER FLOWERS are a beautiful way to honor or remember loved ones this Easter. Each plant is \$15.00, and you can pay for them in person or online. Orders and payments are due by Thursday, March 26, 2026. They will be available for you to take home after the service on April 5.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

MEMBERS: Family of George Fulton, Sandra LaBorde, John Pember, Bob Fisher, Pat Richard, Bobbie Wied, Suzy Buehrle, Barbara and Dalton Abel

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Family of Pat Davenport, 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

St. Andrew's Calendar

Sunday, March 1, 2026

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:30AM Confirmation Class
- 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts
- 4:30PM Youth Group

Monday, March 2, 2026

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

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

- 10:00AM PW Coordinating Team
- 5:30PM Fellowship Team
- 5:30PM Strings After School
- 6:30PM Christian Education
- 6:30PM Tuesday Group

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

- 8:15AM Soup Kitchen
- 9:30AM Day School Chapel
- 4:00PM Blood Drive
- 4:30PM Mission & Evangelism
- 5:30PM SAPC Handbells
- 5:30PM AA Group Meeting

Thursday, March 5, 2026

- 8:30AM MOW Cooks
- 10:00AM MOW Delivers
- 1:00PM Book Club
- 6:00PM AA Group Meeting
- 6:00PM GTHE Rehearsal

Friday, March 6, 2026

- 7:00AM Men's Breakfast

Sunday, March 8, 2026

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