

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



What Will You Do With Jesus? Mark 15:1-15

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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

† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

March 15, 2026

4th 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.*)

God of wisdom, by Your Spirit speak this day a word of life, and plant in us the power of Your righteous love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

ELLESDIE

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

based on Psalm 139

One: We've come to worship God,

Many: Who loved us before we were yet born,

One: Who knows us even better than we know ourselves,

Many: Whose presence never leaves us,

One: And whose love for us never ceases.

Many: This is our God.

All: Let's worship together!

† **HYMN 76**

My Song Is Love Unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN

My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me, Love to the loveless shown That they might lovely be.

O who am I That for my sake, My Lord should take Frail flesh, and die?

Christ came from heaven's throne Salvation to bestow, But people scorned and none The longed-for Christ would know.

But O my Friend, My Friend indeed, Who at my need His life did spend!

Sometimes they strew His way, and His sweet praises sing, Resounding all the way Hosannas to their King.

Then "Crucify!" Is all their breath, And for His death They thirst and cry.

They rise, and needs will have My dear Lord made away; A murderer they save, The Prince of life they slay.

Yet steadfast He To suffering goes, That He His foes From thence might free.

Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine: Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like Thine.

This is my Friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess the foolishness of our sins and the hypocrisy of our complaints. We complain about the evils in our world, even as we commit injustices and profit from deceit. We criticize the problems of our world, but we do not actively work to solve them. Forgive us for getting so caught up in the world's distractions and false messages that we lose sight of the hope of Your kingdom, which brings healing and peace to a troubled world. Shine a light on our sins and heal us from our foolish 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 Room 304.

ANTHEM

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

arr. Richard Donn

Stricken, smitten, and afflicted, see Him dying on the tree!
'Tis the Christ by man rejected; yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!
'Tis the long-expected Prophet, David's son, yet David's Lord.
By His Son God now has spoken, 'tis the true and faithful Word.

Ye who think of sin but lightly nor suppose the evil great,
Here may view its nature rightly, here its guilt may estimate.
Mark the sacrifice appointed, see Who bears the awful load.
'Tis the Word, the Lord's anointed, Son of Man and Son of God.

Here we have a firm foundation, here the refuge of the lost;
Christ's the Rock of our salvation, His the name of which we boast.
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded, sacrifice to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded who on Him their hope have built.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 15:1-15

Pew Bible p. 875
Large Print p. 1552

SERMON

What Will You Do With Jesus?

† HYMN INSERT

You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

PICARDY

You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd. You, Lord, are both prince and slave.
You, peacemaker and sword bringer of the way You took and gave.
You, the everlasting instant; You whom we both scorn and crave.

Clothed in light upon the mountain, stripped of might upon the cross,
Shining in eternal glory, beggared by a soldier's toss,
You, the everlasting instant; You who are both gift and cost.

You, who walk each day beside us, sit in power at God's side.
You, who preach a way that's narrow, have a love that reaches wide.
You the everlasting instant; You, who are our pilgrim guide.

Worthy is our earthly Jesus! Worthy is our cosmic Christ!
Worthy Your defeat and victory; worthy still Your peace and strife.
You, the everlasting instant; You, who are our death and life.

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

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† 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 STF 2113

Lamb of God

SWEET LAMB OF GOD

Your only Son, no sin to hide, but You have sent Him from Your side,
To walk upon this guilty sod, and to become the Lamb of God.

Refrain: O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in His precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Your gift of love, they crucified, they laughed and scorned Him as He died,
The humble King they named a fraud and sacrificed the Lamb of God.

I was so lost, I should have died, but You have brought me to Your side,
To be led by Your staff and rod, and to be called a lamb of God.

† 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

I. Allegro Risoluto, from Concerto No. 3 in G Minor, Op. 12

by Friedrich Seitz

The chancel flowers today were given to the glory of God and
in celebration of Pastor Tara's five year anniversary at St. Andrew's, by Bruce and Lynn Burnside.

We thank Jacob Furlow for sharing his gift of music with us today.

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.

Join us for a **TEX-MEX CHURCH LUNCHEON** TODAY. The menu is a taco bar, chips, dips, wedding cookies and ginger cookies.

We will assemble **EASTER BASKETS FOR HARMONY CARE** immediately after worship on Sunday, March 22, 2026. Everyone is invited to help!

Don't miss the **COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICE** at 5:00PM on Sunday, March 22, 2026 hosted by First Christian Church. St. Andrew's, along with other choirs, will lead the music and an offering will be collected for Some Other Place. Light refreshments to follow. Nursery is available.

We will collect the **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING** on March 29, 2026. Donations are split between disaster assistance, hunger relief, and human development.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

MEMBERS: Audrey Parigi, Sandra LaBorde, John Pember, Bob Fisher, Pat Richard, Bobbie Wied, Suzy Buehrle, Barbara and Dalton Abel

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Jay Carson, Roy Philp, David Fertitta, George Busceme, Charlie and Judy Monaghan, Bruce Williams, Jean and Ron Williamson, Pat Davenport, 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 15, 2026

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:45AM Tex-Mex Luncheon
- 12:00PM Choir Rehearsal
- 12:15PM Deacons Meeting
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts

Monday, March 16, 2026

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

Tuesday, March 17, 2026

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

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

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

Thursday, March 19, 2026

- 8:30AM MOW Cooks
- 10:00AM MOW Delivers
- 6:00PM AA Group Meeting

Sunday, March 22, 2026

- 9:15AM Sunday School
- 10:30AM Worship
- 11:30AM Fill Easter Baskets
- 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
- 3:00PM Boy Scouts
- 4:30PM Youth Group
- 5:00PM Community Lenten Service

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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