

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Speaking of Jesus: Include

Jonah 4:1-11

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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

† Worshipers are asked to stand in body or spirit.

May 17, 2026

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.*)

Jesus, may the time we spend together in Your presence nourish our hearts and minds, deepen our relationship with You, and renew our commitment to live in this world as Your faithful disciples. Amen.

PRELUDE

No Outsiders

by Rend Collective

LIFE AT ST. ANDREW'S

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Return to the Lord your God,

Many: For God is gracious.

One: Confess to the Lord your God,

Many: For God is merciful.

One: Praise the Lord your God,

Many: For God abounds in steadfast love.

All: Together, let us worship the Lord!

† HYMN 371

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod, The Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred name.

Each newborn servant of the Crucified, Bears on the brow the seal of Christ who died.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred name.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, Your death has brought us life eternally.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred name.

So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred name.

† INVITATION TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, we are so grateful to have found our home in Your church. We have been forever changed by the new identity You give us as forgiven and beloved children, and we are refreshed repeatedly as we dive deeper into Christian fellowship, Your Word, and prayer. But we confess that we are not good at sharing this safe and loving home with others. You want us to speak plainly about the difference You have made in our lives, yet we are plagued by apathy, laziness, and fear. You want us to overflow with hope and peace, but we are too often consumed by the cares and distractions of this world. We confess that we don't grasp how important all of this is. Forgive us, Lord. Give us clean hearts, a clear conscience, and a willingness to speak boldly about the forgiveness and love You so freely give.

† 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

A Place at the Table

arr. Mary McDonald

For everyone born, a place at the table For everyone born, clean water and bread
A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing For everyone born, a star overhead
And God will delight when we are creators Of justice and joy, compassion and peace
For young and for old, a place at the table, A voice to be heard, a part in the song
The hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled For young and for old, the right to belong
For everyone born, a place at the table To live without fear and simply to be
To work, to speak out, witness to worship For everyone born, the right to be free

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Jonah 4:1-11

Pew Bible p. 796
Large Print p. 1407-1408

SERMON

Include

† HYMN 439

In Christ There Is No East or West

ST. PETER

In Christ there is no east or west, In Him no south or north;
But one great fellowship of love, Throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere, Their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord, Close-binding humankind.

Join hands, disciples of the faith, Whate'er your race may be.
All children of the living God, Are surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west, In Him meet south and north;
All Christly souls are one in Him, Throughout the whole wide earth.

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 358

Help Us Accept Each Other

BARONITA

Help us accept each other, As Christ accepted us;
Teach us as sister, brother, Each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us, And bring us to believe,
We are ourselves accepted, And meant to love and live.

Teach us, O Lord, Your lessons, As in our daily life,
We struggle to be human, And search for hope and faith.
Teach us to care for people, For all, not just for some,
To love them as we find them, Or as they may become.

Let Your acceptance change us, So that we may be moved,
In living situations, To do the truth in love;
To practice Your acceptance, Until we know by heart
The table of forgiveness, And laughter's healing art.

Lord, for today's encounters, With all who are in need,
Who hunger for acceptance, For righteousness and bread,
We need new eyes for seeing, New hands for holding on;
Renew us with Your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one!

† BENEDICTION

† SENDING SONG

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Lord, You call us to Your service: "In My name baptize and teach."
That the world may trust Your promise, Life abundant meant for each,
Give us all new fervor, draw us Closer in community;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.

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

POSTLUDE

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

The chancel flowers today were given to the glory of God and
in memory of Nolan and Pearl Boyd on their anniversary of May 23, 1934,
and their 66 years of marriage by their daughter, Linda Sparkman.

We thank Lauren Sanchez for sharing her gift of music with us today.

Please use the **C O N N E C T** 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.

ST. ANDREW'S POLO SHIRTS are available for pre-order! Shirts are \$20 each (add \$3 for 2X-5X). Size charts and sample shirts are available for review when placing your order. Deadline for orders and payments: **TODAY!**

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY is next week, May 24! Join us for a Confirmation Celebration luncheon of pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, chips, watermelon, and cake in the Fellowship Hall after worship.

Grab a **BABY BOTTLE** after the service and fill it with change, cash, or a check to benefit the Hope Women's Resource Clinic! Return your bottle to the church office by **Sunday, May 31**.

Save The Date! **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** is June 16 - June 18 for children ages 4 through 5th grade! Register your child today at myvbs.org/saintandybmt.

St. Andrew's Prayer List

MEMBERS: Bill Yoes, Billy Singletary, Bob Fisher, Pat Richard, Bobbie Weid, Barbara and Dalton Abel

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Kathy Isabell, Family of Russell Trest, Janet Dexter, Bruce Williams, John Florio, Elizabeth Everett Baird, Jean and Ron Williamson, David Fertitta, George Busceme, Charlie and Judy Monaghan, Pamela Humphrey, Haywood Walker, 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, May 17, 2026

9:15AM Sunday School
10:30AM Worship
11:45AM Choir Rehearsal
12:00PM Deacons Meeting
3:00PM Boy Scouts
4:30PM Youth Group

Monday, May 18, 2026

6:00PM GT Square Dancers

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

5:30PM SAS Parent Meeting
6:30PM Session Meeting

Wednesday, May 20, 2026

9:30AM Day School Chapel
5:30PM AA Group
6:30PM Board of Trustees

Thursday, May 21, 2026

8:30AM MOW Cooks
10:00AM MOW Delivers
10:30AM Day School Graduation
11:00AM Day School Program
6:00PM AA Group

Sunday, May 24, 2026

PENTECOST

9:15AM Sunday School
10:30AM Worship
11:30AM Confirmation Lunch
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
Patricia Williamson, Accompanist

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